



DRAFT CONTRACT AGREEMENT

For

Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP

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Part I
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Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT¹ is entered into on this the day of, 20....

Between

[The President of India through the NHIDCL represented by:

MD, NHIDCL, PTI Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi

(hereinafter referred to as the “**Authority**” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns) of **One Part**;

And

<insert name of party>,² the selected bidder³ having its registered office at <insert registered office address of the party>, (hereinafter referred to as the “**Contractor**” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors and permitted assigns) of the **Other Part**.

Whereas:

- A. [The Government of India] entrusted **Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP** to the Authority;

¹ Serially numbered footnotes in this Agreement are for guidance of the Authority and should be omitted from the draft Agreement forming part of Bid Documents. Footnotes marked “\$” shall be retained in the draft Agreement.

² All provisions enclosed in curly parenthesis shall be retained in the Bid Documents and shall be modified as required after the selected bidder has been identified.

³ Refers to the single entity or the lead member of the joint venture, which is the selected bidder under the RFP.

⁴ All asterisks in this Model Agreement should be substituted by project-specific particulars in the draft Agreement forming part of Bid Documents.

⁵ All project-specific provisions in this Model EPC Agreement have been enclosed in square parenthesis and may be modified, as necessary, before issuing the draft Agreement forming part of Bid Documents.

- B. The Authority resolved to construct **Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP**. on Engineering, Procurement, Construction (“EPC”) basis in accordance with the terms and conditions to be set forth in an agreement to be entered into.
- C. The Authority accordingly invited the proposals (the “**Request for Proposals**” or “**RFP**”) from the eligible bidders as per the technical and commercial terms and conditions prescribed in the RFP for undertaking the Project.
- D. After evaluation of the bids received, the Authority accepted the bid of the selected bidder and issued its Letter of Acceptance No. <insert details> dated <insert date> (hereinafter called the “**LOA**”) to the selected bidder for [rehabilitation and augmentation of the above section of NH 29 (old NH-150) at the Contract Price specified hereinafter, requiring the selected bidder to inter alia:
- a. to give his consent to enter into this Agreement and the enforceability of the provisions thereof, within 10 (ten) days of the date of issue of LOA;
 - b. submit Performance Security and Additional Performance Security (if any) as per RFP requirements, and
 - c. execute this Agreement within 30 (thirty) days of the date of issue of LOA.
- E. The Contractor has fulfilled the requirements specified in Recital (D) above;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the respective covenants set forth in this Agreement, the sufficiency and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Authority hereby covenants to pay the Contractor, in consideration of the obligations specified herein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Agreement at the times and in the manner specified by the Agreement and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

Article 1

Definitions and Interpretations

1.1 Definitions

- (i) The words and expressions beginning with capital letters and defined in this Agreement shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning ascribed thereto herein, and the words and expressions defined in the Schedules and used therein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Schedules.
- (ii) In this Agreement, the following words and expressions shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:

“Accounting Year” means the financial year commencing from the first day of April of any calendar year and ending on the thirty-first day of March of the next calendar year;

“Advance Payment” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 19.2;

“Affected Party” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 21.1;

“Affiliate” means, in relation to either Party {and/or Members}, a person who controls, is controlled by, or is under the common control with such Party {or Member} (as used in this definition, the expression “control” means, with respect to a person which is a company or corporation, the ownership, directly or indirectly, of more than 50% (fifty per cent) of the voting shares of such person, and with respect to a person which is not a company or corporation, the power to direct the management and policies of such person, whether by operation of law or by contract or otherwise);

“Agreement” means this Agreement, its Recitals, the Schedules hereto and any amendments thereto, or any supplementary agreement made in accordance with the provisions contained in this Agreement;

“Applicable Laws” means all laws, brought into force and effect by the GOI or the State Government including rules, regulations and notifications made thereunder, and judgements, decrees, injunctions, writs and orders of any court of record, applicable to this Agreement and the exercise, performance and discharge of the respective rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder, as may be in force and effect during the subsistence of this Agreement;

“Applicable Permits” means all clearances, licences, permits, authorisations, no objection certificates, consents, approvals and exemptions required to be obtained or maintained under Applicable Laws in connection with the construction, operation and maintenance of the Project Highway during the subsistence of this Agreement;

“Appointed Date” means the date declared by the Authority as the project commencement date with the consent of the contractor, as per the process prescribed in Article 3 and 8 of this Agreement;

“Arbitration Act” means the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, with all its subsequent amendments;

“Authority” shall have the meaning attributed thereto in the array of Parties hereinabove as set forth in the Recitals;

“Authority Default” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 23.2;

“Authority’s Engineer” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 18.1;

“Authority Representative” means such person or persons as may be authorised in writing by the Authority to act on its behalf under this Agreement and shall include any person or persons having authority to exercise any rights or perform and fulfill any obligations of the Authority under this Agreement;

“Bank” means a bank incorporated in India and recognized by the Reserve Bank of India

“Bank Rate” means the standard rate at which Reserve Bank of India is prepared to buy or re-discount bills of exchange or other commercial paper eligible for purchase under the Reserve Bank of India Act 1934.

“Base Rate” means the floor rate of interest announced by the State Bank of India for all its lending operations;

“Base Date” means the last date of the calendar month, which precedes the Bid Due Date by at least 28 (twenty eight) days;

“Bid” means the documents in their entirety comprised in the bid submitted by the [selected bidder/ Joint venture] in response to the Request for Proposal in accordance with the provisions thereof;

“Bid Securing Declaration” “Bid Securing Declaration” means the declaration provided by the Contractor to the Authority in accordance with the Request for Proposal, and which is to remain in force until completion of the Project and /or termination of the Contract;

“Change in Law” means the occurrence of any of the following after the Base Date:

- (a) the enactment of any new Indian law;
- (b) the repeal, modification or re-enactment of any existing Indian law;
- (c) the commencement of any Indian law which has not come into effect until the Base Date; or

(d) a change in the interpretation or application of any Indian law by a judgment of a court of record which has become final, conclusive and binding, as compared to such interpretation or application by a court of record prior to the Base Date.

"Change of Scope" shall have the meaning set forth in Article 13;

"Change of Scope Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 13.2 (i);

"Change of Scope Request" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 13.2 (ii);

"Change of Scope Order" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 13.2 (iv);

"Completion Certificate" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 12.2;

"Construction" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 1.2 (f);

"Construction Period" means the period commencing from the Appointed Date and ending on the date of the Completion Certificate;

"Construction Zone" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 8.3 (i); **"Contract Price"** means the amount excluding GST specified in Clause 9.1 (i);

"Contractor" shall have the meaning attributed thereto in the array of Parties hereinabove as set forth in the Recitals;

"Contractor Default" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 23.1;

"Cure Period" means the period specified in this Agreement for curing any breach or default of any provision of this Agreement by the Party responsible for such breach or default and shall:

- (a) commence from the date on which a notice is delivered by one Party to the other Party asking the latter to cure the breach or default specified in such notice;
- (b) not relieve any Party from liability to pay Damages or compensation under the provisions of this Agreement; and
- (c) not in any way be extended by any period of Suspension under this Agreement; provided that if the cure of any breach default by the Contractor requires any reasonable action by the Contractor that must be approved by the Authority or the Authority's Engineer hereunder, the applicable Cure Period shall be extended by the period taken by the Authority or the Authority's Engineer to accord their approval;

"Damages" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph (w) of Clause 1.2;

"Defect" means any defect or deficiency in Construction of the Works or any part thereof, which does not conform with the Specifications and Standards, and in the case of Maintenance, means any Defect or deficiency which is specified in Schedule-E;

"Defects Liability Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 17.1;

"Dispute" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 26.1;

"Dispute Resolution Procedure" means the procedure for resolution of Disputes set

forth in Article 26;

“Drawings” means all of the drawings, calculations and documents pertaining to the Project Highway as set forth in Schedule-I, and shall include ‘as built’ drawings of the Project Highway;

“Document” or “Documentation” means documentation in printed or written form, or in tapes, discs, drawings, computer programmes, writings, reports, photographs, films, cassettes, or expressed in any other written, electronic, audio or visual form;

“Emergency” means a condition or situation that is likely to endanger the safety or security of the individuals on or about the Project Highway, including Users thereof, or which poses an immediate threat of material damage to any of the Project Assets;

“Encumbrances” means, in relation to the Project Highway, any encumbrances such as mortgage, charge, pledge, lien, hypothecation, security interest, assignment, privilege or priority of any kind having the effect of security or other such obligations, and shall include any designation of loss to payees or beneficiaries or any similar arrangement under any insurance policy pertaining to the Project Highway, where applicable herein but excluding utilities referred to in Clause 9.1;

“EPC” means engineering, procurement and construction;

“Final Payment Certificate” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 19.15;

“Final Payment Statement” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 19.13;

“Force Majeure” or “Force Majeure Event” shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Clause 21.1;

“GAD” or “General Arrangement Drawings” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 3.1 (iii) (b);

“GOI” or “Government” means the Government of India;

“Good Industry Practice” means the practices, methods, techniques, designs, standards, skills, diligence, efficiency, reliability and prudence which are generally and reasonably expected from a reasonably skilled and experienced contractor engaged in the same type of undertaking as envisaged under this Agreement and which would be expected to result in the performance of its obligations by the Contractor in accordance with this Agreement, Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits in reliable, safe, economical and efficient manner;

“Government Instrumentality” means any department, division or sub- division of the Government or the State Government and includes any commission, board, authority, agency or municipal and other local authority or statutory body including panchayat under the control of the Government or the State Government, as the case

may be, and having jurisdiction over all or any part of the Project Highway or the performance of all or any of the services or obligations of the Contractor under or pursuant to this Agreement;

“Handover Memorandum” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 8.2;

“IRC” means the Indian Roads Congress;

“Indemnified Party” means the Party entitled to the benefit of an indemnity pursuant to Article 25;

“Indemnifying Party” means the Party obligated to indemnify the other Party pursuant to Article 25;

“Indirect Political Event” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 21.3;

“Insurance Cover” means the aggregate of the maximum sums insured under the insurance taken out by the Contractor pursuant to Article 20, and includes all insurances required to be taken out by the Contractor under Clauses 20.1 and 20.9 but not actually taken, and when used in the context of any act or event, it shall mean the aggregate of the maximum sums insured and payable or deemed to be insured and payable in relation to such act or event;

“Intellectual Property” means all patents, trademarks, service marks, logos, get-up, trade names, internet domain names, rights in designs, blue prints, programmes and manuals, drawings, copyright (including rights in computer software), database rights, semi-conductor, topography rights, utility models, rights in know-how and other intellectual property rights, in each case whether registered or unregistered and including applications for registration, and all rights or forms of protection having equivalent or similar effect anywhere in the world;

“Interim Payment Certificate” or **“IPC”** means the interim payment certificate issued by the Authority’s Engineer for payment to the Contractor in respect of Contractor’s claims for payment raised in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;

“Joint Venture” means the group of entities which have come together for implementation of this Project;

“Lead Member” shall, in the case of a joint venture, mean the member of such joint venture who shall have the authority to bind the contractor and each member of the Joint venture; and shall be deemed to be the Contractor for the purposes of this Agreement; the Lead Member shall itself undertake and perform at least 51% (fifty one per cent) of the total length of the Project Highway;

“LOA” or **“Letter of Acceptance”** means the letter of acceptance issued by the Authority as referred to in Recital (D);

“Maintenance” means the maintenance of the Project Highway as set forth in Article 14 for the period specified therein;

“Maintenance Inspection Report” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 15.2;

“Maintenance Manual” shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Clause 10.7;

“Maintenance Programme” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 14.3;

“Maintenance Period” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 14.1;

“Maintenance Requirements” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 14.2;

“Major Bridge” means a bridge having a total length of more than 60 (sixty) meters between the inner faces of the dirt walls as specified in IRC:5;

“Manual” shall mean the Manual of Standards and Specifications for Project Highways;

“Material Adverse Effect” means a material adverse effect of any act or event on the ability of either Party to perform any of its obligations under and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and which act or event causes a material financial burden or loss to either Party;

“Materials” comprise of all the supplies used by the Contractor used in the Works or for the maintenance of the Project Highway;

“Monthly Maintenance Statement” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 19.6;

“MORTH” means the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways or any substitute thereof dealing with Highways;

“Non-Political Event” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 21.2;

“Parties” means the parties to this Agreement collectively and “Party” shall mean any of the parties to this Agreement individually;

“Performance Security” and **“Additional Performance Security”** shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 7.1;

“Plant” means the apparatus and machinery intended to form or forming part of the works of the Works;

“Political Event” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 21.4;

“Programme” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 10.1 (iii);

“Project” means the construction and maintenance of the Project Highway in

accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and includes all works, services and equipment relating to or in respect of the Scope of the Project;

“Project Assets” means all physical and other assets relating to (a) tangible assets such as civil works and equipment including foundations, embankments, pavements, road surface, interchanges, bridges, culverts, road over-bridges, drainage works, traffic signals, sign boards, kilometer-stones, [toll plaza(s)], electrical systems, communication systems, rest areas, relief centers, maintenance depots and administrative offices; and (b) Project Facilities situated on the Site;

“Project Completion Date” means the date on which the Completion Certificate is issued;

“Project Completion Schedule” means the progressive Project Milestones set forth in Schedule-J for completion of the Project Highway on or before the Scheduled Completion Date;

“Project Facilities” means all the amenities and facilities situated on the Site, as described in Schedule-C;

“Project Highway” means the Site comprising **Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP** and all Project Assets, and its subsequent development and augmentation in accordance with this Agreement;

“Project Milestone” means the project milestone set forth in Schedule-J;

“Proof Consultant” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 10.2;

“Quality Assurance Plan” or “QAP” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 11.2;

“Re.”, “Rs.” or “Rupees” or “Indian Rupees” or “INR” means the lawful currency of the Republic of India;

“Request for Proposals” or “RFP” shall have the meaning set forth in Recital ‘C’;

“Retention Money” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 7.5;

“Right of Way” means and refers to the total land required and acquired for the project, both in its width and length, together with all way leaves, easements, unrestricted access and other rights of way, howsoever described, necessary for construction and maintenance of the Project Highway in accordance with this Agreement;

“Safety Consultant” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 10.1;

“Scheduled Completion Date” shall be the date set forth in Clause 10.3;

"Scheduled Construction Period" means the period commencing from the Appointed Date and ending on Scheduled Completion Date;

"Scope of the Project" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 2.1;

"Section" means a part of the Project Highway;

"Site" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 8.1;

"Specifications and Standards" means the specifications and standards relating to the quality, quantity, capacity and other requirements for the Project Highway, as set forth in Schedule-D, and any modifications thereof, or additions thereto, as included in the design and engineering for the Project Highway submitted by the Contractor to, and expressly approved by, the Authority;

"Stage Payment Statement" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 19.4;

"Structures" means an elevated road or a flyover, as the case may be;

"Sub-contractor" means any person or persons to whom a part of the Works or the Maintenance has been subcontracted by the Contractor and the permitted legal successors in title to such person, but not an assignee to such person;

"Suspension" shall have the meaning set forth in Article 22;

"Specialised Work" means the work which requires expertise or particular skill/technique or an advanced level of knowledge in the specific field for undertaking the work as required in the Project.

"Taking Over Certificate" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 14.10;

"Taxes" means any Indian taxes including GST, excise duties, customs duties, value added tax, sales tax, local taxes, cess and any impost or surcharge of like nature (whether Central, State or local) on the goods, Materials, equipment and services incorporated in and forming part of the Project Highway charged, levied or imposed by any Government Instrumentality, but excluding any interest, penalties and other sums in relation thereto imposed on any account whatsoever. For the avoidance of doubt, Taxes shall not include taxes on corporate income;

"Termination" means the expiry or termination of this Agreement;

"Termination Notice" means the communication issued in accordance with this Agreement by one Party to the other Party terminating this Agreement;

"Termination Payment" means the amount payable by either Party to the other upon Termination in accordance with Article 23;

"Terms of Reference" or "TOR" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 18.2;

“Tests” means the tests set forth in Schedule-K to determine the completion of Works in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;

“Time Extension” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 10.5;

“User” means a person who travels or intends to travel on the Project Highway or any part thereof in/on any vehicle;

“Valuation of Unpaid works” shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 23.5;

“Works” means all works including survey and investigation, design, engineering, procurement, construction, Plant, Materials, maintenance, temporary works and other things necessary to complete the Project Highway in accordance with this Agreement; and

“WPI” means the wholesale price index for various commodities as published by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI and shall include any index which substitutes the WPI, and any reference to WPI shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to the WPI published for the period ending with the preceding month.

1.2 Interpretation

- (i) In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires,
- (a) references to any legislation or any provision thereof shall include amendment or re-enactment or consolidation of such legislation or any provision thereof so far as such amendment or re-enactment or consolidation applies or is capable of applying to any transaction entered into hereunder;
 - (b) references to laws of India or Indian law or regulation having the force of law shall include the laws, acts, ordinances, rules, regulations, bye laws or notifications which have the force of law in the territory of India and as from time to time may be amended, modified, supplemented, extended or re-enacted;
 - (c) references to a “person” and words denoting a natural person shall be construed as a reference to any individual, firm, company, corporation, society, trust, government, state or agency of a state or any association or partnership (whether or not having separate legal personality) of two or more of the above and shall include successors and assigns;
 - (d) the table of contents, headings or sub-headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be used in, and shall not affect, the construction or interpretation of this Agreement;
 - (e) the words “include” and “including” are to be construed without limitation and shall be deemed to be followed by “without limitation” or “but not limited to” whether or not they are followed by such phrases;
 - (f) references to “construction” or “building” include, unless the context otherwise requires, survey and investigation, design, developing, engineering, procurement, supply of plant, materials, equipment, labour, delivery, transportation, installation, processing, fabrication, testing, and commissioning of the Project Highway, including maintenance during the Construction Period, removing of defects, if any, and other activities incidental to the construction and “construct” or “build” shall be construed accordingly;
 - (g) references to “development” include, unless the context otherwise requires, construction, renovation, refurbishing, augmentation, up-gradation and other activities incidental thereto during the Construction Period, and “develop” shall be construed accordingly;
 - (h) any reference to any period of time shall mean a reference to that according to Indian standard time;
 - (i) any reference to day shall mean a reference to a calendar day;
 - (j) references to a “business day” shall be construed as a reference to a day (other than a Sunday) on which banks in Delhi are generally open for



business;

- (k) any reference to month shall mean a reference to a calendar month as per the Gregorian calendar;
- (l) references to any date, period or Project Milestone shall mean and include such date, period or Project Milestone as may be extended pursuant to this Agreement;
- (m) any reference to any period commencing “from” a specified day or date and “till” or “until” a specified day or date shall include both such days or dates; provided that if the last day of any period computed under this Agreement is not a business day, then the period shall run until the end of the next business day;
- (n) the words importing singular shall include plural and vice versa;
- (o) references to any gender shall include the other and the neutral gender;
- (p) “lakh” means a hundred thousand (100,000) and “crore” means ten million (10,000,000);
- (q) “indebtedness” shall be construed so as to include any obligation (whether incurred as principal or surety) for the payment or repayment of money, whether present or future, actual or contingent;
- (r) references to the “winding-up”, “dissolution”, “insolvency”, or “reorganisation” of a company or corporation shall be construed so as to include any equivalent or analogous proceedings under the law of the jurisdiction in which such company or corporation is incorporated or any jurisdiction in which such company or corporation carries on business including the seeking of liquidation, winding-up, reorganization, dissolution, arrangement, protection or relief of debtors;
- (s) save and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, any reference, at any time, to any agreement, deed, instrument, license or document of any description shall be construed as reference to that agreement, deed, instrument, licence or other document as amended, varied, supplemented, modified or suspended at the time of such reference; provided that this Clause shall not operate so as to increase liabilities or obligations of the Authority hereunder or pursuant hereto in any manner whatsoever;
- (t) any agreement, consent, approval, authorisation, notice, communication, information or report required under or pursuant to this Agreement from or by any Party or the Authority’s Engineer shall be valid and effective only if it is in writing under the hand of a duly authorised representative of such Party or the Authority’s Engineer, as the case may be, in this behalf and not otherwise; the Schedules and Recitals to this Agreement form an integral part of this Agreement and will be in full force and effect as though they were expressly set out in the body of this Agreement;
- (u) references to Recitals, Articles, Clauses, Sub-clauses or Schedules in this



Agreement shall, except where the context otherwise requires, mean references to Recitals, Articles, Clauses, Sub-clauses and Schedules of or to this Agreement, and references to a Paragraph shall, subject to any contrary indication, be construed as a reference to a Paragraph of this Agreement or of the Schedule in which such reference appears;

- (v) the damages payable by either Party to the other of them, as set forth in this Agreement, whether on per diem basis or otherwise, are mutually agreed genuine pre-estimated loss and damage likely to be suffered and incurred by the Party entitled to receive the same and are not by way of penalty or liquidated damages (the "Damages"); and
- (w) time shall be of the essence in the performance of the Parties' respective obligations. If any time period specified herein is extended for the reasons specified in the Agreement, such extended time shall also be of the essence.
- (ii) Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement, any Documentation required to be provided or furnished by the Contractor to the Authority shall be provided free of cost and in three copies, and if the Authority is required to return any such Documentation with its comments and/or approval, it shall be entitled to retain two copies thereof.
- (iii) The rule of construction, if any, that a contract should be interpreted against the parties responsible for the drafting and preparation thereof, shall not apply.
- (iv) Any word or expression used in this Agreement shall, unless otherwise defined or construed in this Agreement, bear its ordinary English meaning and, for these purposes, the General Clauses Act, 1897 shall not apply.

1.3 Measurements and arithmetic conventions

All measurements and calculations shall be in the metric system and calculations done to 2 (two) decimal places, with the third digit of 5 (five) or above being rounded up and below 5 (five) being rounded down.

1.4 Priority of agreements and errors/discrepancies

- (i) This Agreement, and all other agreements and documents forming part of or referred to in this Agreement are to be taken as mutually explanatory and, unless otherwise expressly provided elsewhere in this Agreement, the priority of this Agreement and other documents and agreements forming part hereof or referred to herein shall, in the event of any conflict between them, be in the following order:
 - (a) this Agreement; and all other agreements and documents forming part hereof or referred to herein; i.e. this Agreement at (a) above shall prevail over the agreements and documents at (b).
- (ii) Subject to the provisions of Clause 1.4 (i), in case of ambiguities or discrepancies



within this Agreement, the following shall apply:

- (a) between two or more Clauses of this Agreement, the provisions of a specific Clause relevant to the issue under consideration shall prevail over those in other Clauses;
- (b) between the Clauses of this Agreement and the Schedules, the Clauses shall prevail and between Schedules and Annexes, the Schedules shall prevail;
- (c) between any two Schedules, the Schedule relevant to the issue shall prevail;
- (d) between the written description on the Drawings and the Specifications and Standards, the latter shall prevail;
- (e) between the dimension scaled from the Drawing and its specific written dimension, the latter shall prevail; and
- (f) between any value written in numerals and that in words, the latter shall prevail.

1.5 Joint and several liability

- (i) If the Contractor has formed a Joint Venture of two persons for implementing the Project:
 - (a) these persons shall, without prejudice to the provisions of this Agreement or any other agreement, be deemed to be jointly and severally liable to the Authority for the performance of the Agreement; and
 - (b) the Contractor shall ensure that no change in the composition of the Joint Venture is effected without the prior consent of the Authority.
- (ii) Without prejudice to the joint and several liability of all the members of the Joint Venture, the Lead Member shall represent all the members of the Joint Venture and shall always be liable and responsible for discharging the functions and obligations of the Contractor. The Contractor shall ensure that each member of the Joint Venture shall be bound by any decision, communication, notice, action or inaction of the Lead Member on any matter related to this Agreement and the Authority shall be entitled to rely upon any such action, decision or communication of the Lead Member. The Authority shall release the payments only in the name of JV.

⁶ This Clause 1.5 may be omitted if the Contractor is not a Joint venture. Even if the Contractor is a Joint venture, the Authority may, at its discretion, delete this provision.

Part II
Scope of Project

Article 2

Scope of the Project

2.1 Scope of the Project

Under this Agreement, the scope of the Project (the “**Scope of the Project**”) shall mean and include:

- (a) construction of the Major Bridge on the Site set forth in Schedule- A and as specified in Schedule-B together with provision of Project Facilities as specified in Schedule-C, and in conformity with the Specifications and Standards set forth in Schedule-D;
- (b) maintenance of the Major Bridge in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and in conformity with the requirements set forth in Schedule-E; and
- (c) performance and fulfillment of all other obligations of the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and matters incidental thereto or necessary for the performance of any or all of the obligations of the Contractor under this Agreement.

Article 3

Obligations of the Authority

3.1 Obligations of the Authority

- (i) The Authority shall, at its own cost and expense, undertake, comply with and perform all its obligations set out in this Agreement or arising hereunder.
- (ii) The Authority shall be responsible for the correctness of the Scope of the Project, Project Facilities, Specifications and Standards and the criteria for testing of the completed Works.
- (iii) The Authority shall, upon submission of the Performance Security as per the RFP by the Contractor, shall provide to the Contractor:
 - (a) No less than 90% (ninety per cent) of the required Right of Way of the Construction Zone of total length of the Project Highway within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of this Agreement, which shall be in contiguous stretches of length not less than 1 (One) kilometre.
 - (b) approval of the general arrangement drawings (the “GAD”) from railway authorities to enable the Contractor to construct road over- bridges/ under-bridges at level crossings on the Project Highway in accordance with the Specifications and Standards, and subject to the terms and conditions specified in such approval, within a period of 60 (sixty) days from the Appointed Date, and reimbursement of all the costs and expenses paid by the Contractor to the railway authorities for and in respect of the road over- bridges/ under bridges; and⁷
 - (c) all environmental clearances as required under Clause 4.3.⁸
- (iv) Delay in providing the Right of Way or approval of GAD by railway authorities, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 3.1 (iii) shall entitle the Contractor to Damages in a sum calculated in accordance with the provisions of Clause 8.3 of this Agreement and Time Extension in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.5 of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that the Damages for delay in approval of GAD by the railway authorities for a particular road over-bridge/ under-bridge shall be deemed to be equal to the Damages payable under the provisions of Clause 8.3 for delay in providing Right of Way for a length of 2 (two) kilometre for each such road over-bridge/ under-bridge.

⁷ Clause (b) may be omitted if the Project does not include a road over-bridge/under-bridge.

⁸ Clause 3.1 (iii) (c) may be suitably modified in the event that all the environmental clearances for the Project Highway have been received or are not required. It should be clearly stated that

all the environmental clearances for the Project Highway have been received; or such environmental clearances for the Project Highway are not required.

- (v) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Parties expressly agree that the aggregate Damages payable under Clauses 3.1 (iv), 8.3 and 9.5 shall not exceed 1% (one per cent) of the Contract Price. For the avoidance of doubt, the Damages payable by the Authority under the aforesaid Clauses shall not be additive if they arise concurrently from more than one cause but relate to the same part of the Project Highway.

Both the parties agree that payment of such Damages shall be full and final settlement of all claims of the Contractor and such compensation shall be the sole remedy against delays of the Authority and both parties further agree that the payment of Damages shall be the final cure for the Contractor against delays of the Authority, without recourse to any other payments.

- (vi) The Authority agrees to provide support to the Contractor and undertakes to observe, comply with and perform, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the Applicable Laws, the following:
- (a) upon written request from the Contractor, and subject to the Contractor complying with Applicable Laws, provide reasonable support to the Contractor in procuring Applicable Permits required from any Government Instrumentality for implementation of the Project;
 - (b) upon written request from the Contractor, provide reasonable assistance to the Contractor in obtaining access to all necessary infrastructure facilities and utilities, including water and electricity at rates and on terms no less favourable than those generally available to commercial customers receiving substantially equivalent services;
 - (c) procure that no barriers that would have a material adverse effect on the works are erected or placed on or about the Project Highway by any Government Instrumentality or persons claiming through or under it, except for reasons of Emergency, national security, law and order or collection of inter-state taxes;
 - (d) not do or omit to do any act, deed or thing which may in any manner violate any provisions of this Agreement;
 - (e) support, cooperate with and facilitate the Contractor in the implementation of the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
 - (f) upon written request from the Contractor and subject to the provisions of Clause 4.3, provide reasonable assistance to the Contractor and any expatriate personnel of the Contractor or its Sub-contractors to obtain the applicable visas and the requisite work permits for the purposes of discharge by the Contractor or its Sub-contractors of their obligations under this Agreement and the agreements with the Sub-contractors.

3.2 Maintenance obligations prior to the Appointed Date

The Authority shall, prior to the Appointed Date, maintain the Project Highway, at its own cost and expense, so that its traffic worthiness and safety are at no time materially inferior as compared to its condition 10 (ten) days prior to the last date for submission of the Bid, and in the event of any material deterioration or damage other than normal wear and tear, undertake repair thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority shall undertake only routine maintenance prior to the Appointed Date, and it shall undertake special repairs only in the event of excessive deterioration or damage caused due to unforeseen events such as floods or earthquake.

3.3 Environmental Clearances

The Authority represents and warrants that the environmental clearances required for construction of the Project shall be procured by the Authority prior to the date of issue of LOA. For the avoidance of doubt, the present status of environmental clearances is specified in Schedule-A.⁹

3.4 Deemed Termination upon delay

Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 8.3, and subject to the provisions of Clause 7.3, the Parties expressly agree that in the event the Appointed Date does not occur, for any reason whatsoever, within 90 days of signing of the Agreement and submission of the full Performance Security by the Contractor, the Agreement shall be deemed to have been terminated. The Authority shall pay damages to the Contractor equivalent to 1% of the Contract Price (3% in case of standalone bridge projects). All other rights, privileges, claims and entitlements of the Contractor under or arising out of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been waived by, and to have ceased. The Contractor shall hand over all information in relation to the Highway, including but not limited to any data, designs, drawings, structures, information, plans, etc. prepared by them for the Highway, to the Authority.

⁹ Clause 3.3 may be suitably modified in the event that all the environmental clearances for the Project Highway have been received or are not required. It should be clearly stated that all the environmental clearances for the Project Highway have been received; or such environmental clearances for the Project Highway are not required.

Article 4

Obligations of the Contractor

4.1 Obligations of the Contractor

- (i) Subject to and on the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Contractor shall undertake the survey, investigation, design, engineering, procurement, construction, and maintenance of the Project Highway and observe, fulfill, comply with and perform all its obligations set out in this Agreement or arising hereunder.
- (ii) The Contractor shall comply with all Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits (including renewals as required) in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- (iii) Subject to the provisions of Clauses 4.1 (i) and 4.1 (ii), the Contractor shall discharge its obligations in accordance with Good Industry Practice and as a reasonable and prudent person.
- (iv) The Contractor shall remedy any and all loss, defects, or damage to the Project Highway from the Appointed Date until the end of the Construction Period at the Contractor's cost, save and except to the extent that any such loss, defect, or damage shall have arisen from any wilful default or neglect of the Authority.
- (v) The Contractor shall remedy any and all loss, defect or damage to the Project Highway during the Defects Liability Period at the Contractor's cost to the extent that such loss, defect or damage shall have arisen out of the reasons specified in Clause 17.3.
- (vi) The Contractor shall remedy any and all loss or damage to the Project Highway during the Maintenance Period at the Contractor's cost, including those stated in Clause 14.1 (ii), save and except to the extent that any such loss or damage shall have arisen on account of any wilful default or neglect of the Authority or on account of a Force Majeure Event.
- (vii) The Contractor shall, at its own cost and expense, in addition to and not in derogation of its obligations elsewhere set out in this Agreement:
 - (a) make, or cause to be made, necessary applications to the relevant Government Instrumentalities with such particulars and details as may be required for obtaining Applicable Permits set forth in Schedule-F and obtain and keep in force and effect such Applicable Permits in conformity with the Applicable Laws;
 - (b) procure, as required, the appropriate proprietary rights, licences, agreements and permissions for Materials, methods, processes and systems used or incorporated into the Project Highway;



- (c) make reasonable efforts to maintain harmony and good industrial relations among the personnel employed by it or its Sub-contractors in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (d) ensure and procure that its Sub-contractors comply with all Applicable Permits and Applicable Laws in the performance by them of any of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement;
 - (e) not do or omit to do any act, deed or thing which may in any manner violate any provisions of this Agreement;
 - (f) support, cooperate with and facilitate the Authority in the implementation and operation of the Project in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
 - (g) ensure that the Contractor and its Sub-contractors comply with the safety and welfare measures for labour in accordance with the Applicable Laws and Good Industry Practice and shall appoint full time Safety Officer & Labour Welfare Officer to achieve the compliance;
 - (h) keep, on Site, a copy of this Agreement, publications named in this Agreement, the Drawings, Documents relating to the Project, and Change of Scope orders and other communications given under this Agreement. The Authority's Engineer and its authorised personnel shall have the right of access to all these documents at all reasonable times;
 - (i) cooperate with other contractors employed by the Authority and personnel of any public authority; and
 - (j) not interfere unnecessarily or improperly with the convenience of the public, or the access to and use and occupation of all roads and footpaths, irrespective of whether they are public or in the possession of the Authority or of others.
 - (k) ensure that all payments to the manpower (labour, operators, technicians, officers, engineers etc) are released directly to their bank account
- (viii) The Contractor shall undertake all necessary superintendence to plan, arrange, direct, manage, inspect and test the Works. The Contractor shall provide all necessary superintendence of the Works for the proper fulfilling of the Contractor's obligations under the Agreement. Such superintendence shall be given by competent person having adequate knowledge of the operations to be carried out (including the methods and techniques required, the hazards likely to be encountered and methods of preventing accidents) for the satisfactory and safe execution of the Works.
- (ix) The Contractor shall obtain and maintain a project related bank account operational at site where all transactions related to the payment of work will be done. The Contractor shall submit a monthly account statement and a detailed report on utilization of funds transferred to this project related bank account to Authority's Engineer along with Stage Payment Statement. Notwithstanding anything contrary to

this agreement, the authority, in the interest and to ensure timely completion of the work, reserves the right to audit such bank accounts to ensure that there is no diversion of funds from this project specific account to any other project being implemented by the Contractor.

- (x) The Contractor shall provide the documents of the Contractor specified in the Agreement, and all Contractors' personnel; Goods, consumables and other things and services, whether of a temporary or permanent nature, required in and for the execution, completion of Works and remedying defects.
- (xi) The Contractor shall perform the Works in conformity with the Project requirements and other requirements and standards prescribed under or pursuant to the Agreement.
- (xii) The Contractor shall carry out such work incidental and contingent to the original Scope of the Project to comply with Good Industry Practices.
- (xiii) The Contractor shall maintain required staff and necessary Contractor's equipment and materials within the reach of the Site during the Defects Liability Period so that any defects arising are promptly attended.

4.2 Obligations relating to sub-contracts and any other agreements

- (i) The Contractor, whether Joint Venture or sole, shall not sub-contract any Works except the specialised work for which the Contractor has given information at the time of bidding. Provided, however, that in respect of the Works carried out directly by the Contractor, it may enter into contracts for the supply and installation of Materials, Plant, equipment, road furniture, safety devices and labour, as the case may be, for such Works. The Parties further agree that all obligations and liabilities under this Agreement for the entire project Highway shall at all times remain with the Contractor.
- (ii) It is expressly agreed that the contractor shall, at all times, be responsible and liable for all its obligations under this Agreement notwithstanding anything contained in the agreements with its Sub-contractors or any other agreement that may be entered into by the Contractor, and no default under any such agreement shall excuse the Contractor from its obligations or liability under this Agreement. However, in case of non-compliance of the Contractor towards his obligations for payments to the approved Sub-contractor(s), which is likely to affect the progress of works, the authority reserves the right to intervene and direct the Contractor to release such outstanding payments to approved Sub-contractor(s) out of the payments due for the completed Works in the interest of work.
- (iii) Only with the prior approval of the Authority, specialised work can be sub-contracted upto 20% of the Project Cost.
- (iv) At any stage, if sub-contracting reveals without the approval of the Authority, it will

be considered as default as well as criminal breach of trust, cheating, etc., and the Contract may be terminated and the EPC contractor may be debarred for participating in future contracts of NHIDCL for a period of 1 year.

4.3 Employment of foreign nationals

The Contractor acknowledges, agrees and undertakes that employment of foreign personnel by the Contractor and/or its Sub-contractors and their sub- contractors shall be subject to grant of requisite regulatory permits and approvals including employment/ residential visas and work permits, if any required, and the obligation to apply for and obtain the same shall always rest with the Contractor. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, refusal of or inability to obtain any such permits and approvals by the Contractor or any of its Sub- contractors or their sub-contractors shall not constitute a Force Majeure Event, and shall not in any manner excuse the Contractor from the performance and discharge it of its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement, and the Contractor's liabilities hereunder shall remain unaffected by such failure, refusal or inability.

4.4 Contractor's personnel

- (i) The Contractor shall ensure that the personnel engaged by it or by its Sub- contractors in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement are at all times appropriately and adequately qualified, skilled and experienced in their respective functions in conformity with Good Industry Practice. The Contractor will try to hire at least 10% (ten percent) trained workmen as per the National Skills Qualifications Framework. If necessary, the requisite workmen may be got trained by the Contractor at his cost through authorized training centers of the Directorate General of Training (DGT). The Contractor will organize training at project site/ sites for the trainees as and when required as per the training schedule finalized in consultation with the training centers. The trainees shall be paid stipend by the Contractor (subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000/- per person) on the basis of minimum wages to compensate for loss of income during the training period.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer may, for reasons to be specified in writing, direct the Contractor to remove any member of the Contractor's or Sub-contractor's personnel. Provided that any such direction issued by the Authority's Engineer shall specify the reasons for the removal of such person.
- (iii) The Contractor shall on receiving such a direction from the Authority's Engineer order for the removal of such person or persons with immediate effect. It shall be the duty of the Contractor to ensure that such persons are evicted from the Site within 10 (ten) days of any such direction being issued in pursuance of Clause 4.4 (ii). The Contractor shall further ensure that such persons have no further connection with the Works or Maintenance under this Agreement. The Contractor shall then appoint (or cause to be appointed) a replacement.

4.5 Advertisement on Project Highway

The Project Highway or any part thereof shall not be used in any manner to advertise any commercial product or services.

4.6 Contractor's care of the Works

The Contractor shall bear full risk in, and take full responsibility for, the care of the Works, and of the Materials, goods and equipment for incorporation therein, from the Appointed Date until the date of Completion Certificate, save and except to the extent that any such loss or damage shall have arisen from any wilful default or gross neglect of the Authority.

4.7 Electricity, water and other services

The Contractor shall be responsible for procuring of all utilities as may be required, including without limitation, adequate power, water and other services.

4.8 Unforeseeable difficulties

Except as otherwise stated in the Agreement:

- (a) the Contractor accepts complete responsibility for having foreseen all difficulties and costs of successfully completing the Works;
- (b) the Contract Price shall not be adjusted to take account of any unforeseen difficulties or costs; and
- (c) the Scheduled Completion Date shall not be adjusted to take account of any unforeseen difficulties or costs.

4.9 Co-ordination of the Works

- (i) The Contractor acknowledges that in addition to the Agreement, it is also aware of terms of the other Project contracts and other agreements the Authority has negotiated and entered into for performance of its obligations under the Agreement (copies of other contracts and other agreements are made available to the Contractor from time to time) and that the Contractor is fully aware of the consequences to the Authority which would or are likely to result from a breach by the Contractor of its obligations under the Agreement. In the event the actions of the Contractor result in the breach by the Authority of any or all of the other Project contracts and such breach imposes any liability on the Authority, the Contractor shall: (a) undertake all steps as may be possible to mitigate or neutralize the liability that has arisen, and (b) indemnify the Authority against any such liability and compensate the Authority to that extent.
- (ii) The Contractor shall be responsible for the co-ordination and proper provision of the Works, including co-ordination of other Contractors or Sub-contractors for the Project. The Contractor shall co-operate with the Authority in the co- ordination of

the Works with the works under the other Project contracts. The Contractor shall provide all reasonable support for carrying out their work to:

- (a) any other contractors employed by the Authority;
- (b) the workmen of the Authority;
- (c) the workmen of any Governmental Instrumentality who may be employed in the execution of work on or near the Site; and
- (d) such other persons as is required in the opinion of the Authority for successful completion of the Project.

4.10 Environmental Measures

- (i) The Contractor agrees to conduct its activities in connection with the Agreement in such a manner so as to comply with the environmental requirements which includes, *inter alia*, all the conditions required to be satisfied under the environmental clearances and applicable law, and assumes full responsibility for measures which are required to be taken to ensure such compliance.

4.11 Site Data

- (i) The Contractor shall be deemed to have inspected and examined the Site and its surroundings and to have satisfied himself before entering into the Agreement in all material respects including but not limited to:
 - (a) the form and nature of the Site (including, inter-alia, the surface and sub-surface conditions and geo-technical factors);
 - (b) the hydrological and climatic conditions;
 - (c) the extent and nature of the works already completed and Materials necessary for the execution and completion of the Works and the remedying of any defects that includes already executed part also.
 - (d) the suitability and the adequacy of the Site for the execution of the Works;
 - (e) the means of access to the Site and the accommodation the Contractor may require;
 - (f) arranging permits as required as per [.] of the Agreement.
 - (g) the requirements of operation and maintenance; and

4.12 all other factors and circumstances affecting the Contractor's rights and obligations under the Agreement, the Contract Price and Time for Completion Sufficiency of Contract Price

The Contractor shall have satisfied itself as to the correctness and sufficiency of the Contract Price. The Contract Price shall cover all its obligations under the Agreement, in addition to all risks the Contractor has agreed to undertake under the Agreement, including those associated with the performance of its obligations under the

Agreement and all things necessary for the provision of the Works in a manner satisfactory to the Authority and in accordance with this Agreement.

4.13 Clearance of the Site

During the provision of the Works, and as a pre-condition to the issue of the Taking-Over Certificate, the Contractor shall clear away and remove from the Site, all Contractor's equipment, surplus material, wreckage, rubbish and temporary Works, and shall keep the Site free from all unnecessary obstructions, and shall not store or dispose of any Contractor's equipment or surplus materials on the Site. The Contractor shall promptly clear away and remove from the Site any wreckage, rubbish or temporary Works no longer required and leave the Site and the Works in a clean and safe condition to the sole satisfaction of the Authority.

Article 5

Representations and Warranties

5.1 Representations and warranties of the Contractor

- (i) The Contractor represents and warrants to the Authority that:
- (a) it is duly organised and validly existing under the laws of India, and has full power and authority to execute and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated hereby;
 - (b) it has taken all necessary corporate and/or other actions under Applicable Laws to authorise the execution and delivery of this Agreement and to validly exercise its rights and perform its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (c) this Agreement constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof, and its obligations under this Agreement will be legally valid, binding and enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof;
 - (d) it is subject to the laws of India, and hereby expressly and irrevocably waives any immunity in any jurisdiction in respect of this Agreement or matters arising there under including any obligation, liability or responsibility hereunder;
 - (e) the information furnished in the Bid, Request for Qualification and Request for Proposals or otherwise and as updated on or before the date of this Agreement is true and accurate in all respects as on the date of this Agreement;
 - (f) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement will not conflict with, or result in the breach of, or constitute a default under, or accelerate performance required by any of the terms of its memorandum and articles of association or any Applicable Laws or any covenant, contract, agreement, arrangement, understanding, decree or order to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties or assets is bound or affected;
 - (g) there are no actions, suits, proceedings, or investigations pending or, to its knowledge, threatened against it at law or in equity before any court or before any other judicial, quasi-judicial or other authority, the outcome of which may result in the breach of this Agreement or which individually or in the aggregate may result in any material impairment of its ability to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (h) it has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or any legally binding order of any Government Instrumentality which may result in any material adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and no fact or



circumstance exists which may give rise to such proceedings that would adversely affect the performance of its obligations under this Agreement;

- (i) it has complied with Applicable Laws in all material respects and has not been subject to any fines, penalties, injunctive relief or any other civil or criminal liabilities which in the aggregate have or may have a material adverse effect on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (j) no representation or warranty by it contained herein or in any other document furnished by it to the Authority or to any Government Instrumentality in relation to Applicable Permits contains or will contain any untrue or misleading statement of material fact or omits or will omit to state a material fact necessary to make such representation or warranty not misleading;
 - (k) no sums, in cash or kind, have been paid or will be paid, by it or on its behalf, to any person by way of fees, commission or otherwise for securing the contract or entering into this Agreement or for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of the Authority in connection therewith;
 - (l) nothing contained in this Agreement shall create any contractual relationship or obligation between the Authority and any Sub- contractors, designers, consultants or agents of the Contractor;
 - (m) it is adequately financed has the requisite knowledge, expertise, technical know-how, experience, resources, infrastructure, licenses, patents, copy rights, for designing, supplying/ procuring the goods and materials, and for providing the installation and construction services required for completing the construction of the Project Facilities; and
- (ii) it represents the Authority that:
- (a) it owns or has the right to use all “**Intellectual Property**” necessary to perform the contractual obligations and to carry on the Works without conflict with the right of others;
 - (b) All intellectual property rights necessary to perform the contractual obligations and to carry on the Works are in full force and effect and are vested in, and beneficially owned by the Contractor, and are free from encumbrances.
 - (c) None of the intellectual property rights is being used, claimed, or posed or attacked by any other person, nor does the use of such intellectual property rights or any part of them infringe the intellectual property rights owned or enjoyed by any third party.
 - (d) None of the intellectual property rights owned or used by the Contractor is the subject of any claim, opposition, attack, assertion or other arrangement of whatsoever nature which does or may impinge upon their use, validity, enforceability or ownership by the Parties, and there are no grounds or other

circumstances which may give rise to the same.

- (e) No licenses or registered user or other rights have been granted or agreed to be granted to any third party in respect of such intellectual property rights.
 - (f) No act has been done or has been omitted to be done to entitle any authority or person to cancel, forfeit or modify any intellectual property rights.
 - (g) The Contractor shall notify the Authority of any adverse use of the intellectual property rights or confusingly or deceptively similar to the intellectual property rights.
 - (h) The Contractor shall recognize the Authority's ownership and title to the intellectual property rights and shall not at any time, either directly or indirectly, put to issue the validity or ownership of the intellectual property rights and it will not do any act or thing, either directly or indirectly, which in anyway impairs the validity and ownership of the intellectual property rights.
 - (i) The Contractor shall, promptly execute, acknowledge and deliver all documents which are requested by Authority to record with appropriate governmental agencies and authorities the fact that the Authority has the right to the use of the said intellectual property rights.
 - (j) The Contractor shall not, for any reason, object to, or interfere in any way with the ownership, registration or use of the intellectual property rights by the Authority (or its licensee or assigns) for any purpose whatsoever.
- (iii) The Contractor is fully aware that the Agreement is inter linked with the other Project contracts and the non-performance or deficient performance or default by the Contractor and/or any of the Contractor's personnel or Subcontractors under one among the said contracts will have bearing on the other contracts and the evaluation of the Contractor's performance under the Agreement and the Project itself.
- (iv) If at any time during the Defects Liability Period any item of the Works or Project Facilities or any part thereof, do not conform to the Authority requirements and Specifications and Standards, on being so notified by the Authority, the Contractor shall promptly rectify/remedy such nonconformity to the satisfaction of the Authority solely at the Contractor's expense; failing which the Authority may reject or revoke Taking-Over Certificate, and the Authority may proceed to correct the Contractor's nonconforming Work by the most expeditious means available, the costs of which shall be to the Contractor's account; or the Authority may retain the non-conforming Work and an equitable adjustment reducing the total Contract Price to reflect the diminished value of such non-conforming Work will be made by written amendment.
- (v) In addition to the other warranties, the Contractor represents and warrants as follows:
- (a) The Contractor has (or, if the technology does not currently exist, will have granted at the time of passing to The Employer) in and to the technology used

in the equipment, materials, goods, Works, Contractor's documents, Drawings and Manuals ("**Technology**") -

- i. all right, title and interest free of any lien, claim or restriction; and
 - ii. right to grant to the Authority the right to use the Technology for the purpose of this contract, free of any lien, claim or restriction and on the terms of license as required.
 - (b) The Contractor has granted (or, if the technology does not currently exist, will grant at the time of passing to the Authority the property and title in and to the equipment, materials, goods, Works, spares, Contractor's documents, Drawings and Manuals in which it is used) to the Authority the right to use the Technology, free of any lien, claim or restriction.
- (vi) In addition to the other Warranties, the Contractor represents and warrants as follows:
- (a) No Technology contains any worm (i.e., a program that travels from one computer to another computer but does not attach itself to the operating system of the computer it enters), virus (i.e., a program that travels from one computer to another computer that attaches itself to the operating system it enters) or self-destruct capability.
 - (b) The Technology will not abnormally end or provide invalid or incorrect results as a result of date-dependent data.
 - (c) The Technology can accurately recognize, manage, accommodate, and manipulate date-dependent data, including single and multi-century formulas and leap years.
- (vii) No criminal proceedings instituted against any of the employees or Directors of the Contractor.
- (viii) Till date the services of the Contractor has not been terminated by any person for any breach or non-performance or negligence by the Contractor.

5.2 Representations and warranties of the Authority

The Authority represents and warrants to the Contractor that:

- (a) it has full power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement and to carry out the transactions contemplated herein and that it has taken all actions necessary to execute this Agreement, exercise its rights and perform its obligations, under this Agreement;
- (b) it has taken all necessary actions under the Applicable Laws to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement;
- (c) it has the financial standing and capacity to perform its obligations under this

Agreement;

- (d) this Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable against it in accordance with the terms hereof;
- (e) it has no knowledge of any violation or default with respect to any order, writ, injunction or any decree of any court or any legally binding order of any Government Instrumentality which may result in any material adverse effect on the Authority's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement;
- (f) it has complied with Applicable Laws in all material respects;
- (g) it has good and valid right to the Site and has the power and authority to grant the Right of Way in respect thereof to the Contractor; and
- (h) it has procured Right of Way and environment clearances such that the Contractor can commence construction forthwith on 90% (ninety per cent) of the total length of the Project Highway.

5.3 Disclosure

In the event that any occurrence or circumstance comes to the attention of either Party that renders any of its aforesaid representations or warranties untrue or incorrect, such Party shall immediately notify the other Party of the same. Such notification shall not have the effect of remedying any breach of the representation or warranty that has been found to be untrue or incorrect nor shall it adversely affect or waive any obligation of either Party under this Agreement.

Article 6

Disclaimer

6.1 Disclaimer

- (i) The Contractor acknowledges that prior to the execution of this Agreement, the Contractor has, after a complete and careful examination, made an independent evaluation of the Request for Proposal, Scope of the Project, Specifications and Standards of design, construction and maintenance, Site, local conditions, physical qualities of ground, subsoil and geology, traffic volumes, suitability and availability of access routes to the Site and all information provided by the Authority or obtained, procured or gathered otherwise, and has determined to its satisfaction the accuracy or otherwise thereof and the nature and extent of difficulties, risks and hazards as are likely to arise or may be faced by it in the course of performance of its obligations hereunder. Save as provided in Clause 3.1 and Clause 5.2, the Authority makes no representation whatsoever, express, implicit or otherwise, regarding the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and/or completeness of any assessment, assumptions, statement or information provided by it and the Contractor confirms that it shall have no claim whatsoever against the Authority in this regard.
- (ii) The Contractor acknowledges and hereby accepts to have satisfied itself as to the correctness and sufficiency of the Contract Price.
- (iii) The Contractor acknowledges and hereby accepts the risk of inadequacy, mistake or error in or relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 6.1 (i) above and hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Authority shall not be liable for the same in any manner whatsoever to the Contractor, or any person claiming through or under any of them, and shall not lead to any adjustment of Contract Price or Scheduled Completion Date.
- (iv) The Parties agree that any mistake or error in or relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 6.1 (i) above shall not vitiate this Agreement, or render it voidable.
- (v) In the event that either Party becomes aware of any mistake or error relating to any of the matters set forth in Clause 6.1 (i) above, that Party shall immediately notify the other Party, specifying the mistake or error.
- (vi) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all risks relating to the Project shall be borne by the Contractor; and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner for such risks or the consequences thereof.

Part III

Construction and Maintenance

Article 7 Performance Security

7.1 Performance Security

- (i) (A) Within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of Letter of Acceptance, the selected Bidder shall furnish to the Authority an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank in the form set forth in Annex-I of Schedule-G (the “**Performance Security**”) for an amount equal to 3% (three percent) of its Bid Price. In case of bids mentioned below, the Selected Bidder, along with the Performance Security, shall also furnish to the Authority an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank in the same form given at Annex-I of Schedule-G towards an Additional Performance Security (the “**Additional Performance Security**”) for an amount calculated as under:
- (a) If the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder is lower than 15% but upto 20% of the Estimated Project Cost, then the Additional Performance Security shall be 10% of the Bid Price offered by the selected Bidder.
 - (b) If the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder is lower than 20% of the Estimated Project Cost, then the Additional Performance Security shall be 20% of the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder.
 - (c) This Additional Performance Security shall be treated as part of the Performance Security.
- (B) The Performance Security shall be valid until 60(sixty) days after the Defects Liability Period. The Additional Performance Security shall be valid until 28 (twenty eight) days after Project Completion Date.
- (ii) The Selected Bidder has the option to provide 50% of the Performance Security and 50% of the Additional Performance Security, if any, within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of Letter of Acceptance, in any case before signing of the Contract Agreement and the remaining Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, shall be submitted within 30 days of signing of this agreement.
- (iii) In the event the Selected Bidder fails to provide the remaining Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, as prescribed herein, it may seek extension of time for a further period upto 60 days by paying the Damages upfront along with the request letter seeking the extension. The Damages shall be the sum calculated at the rate of 0.01% (zero point zero one per cent) of the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder for each day until the Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, is provided in full as prescribed herein. The damages at full rate as given above shall be applicable even if a part of the Performance Security and the Additional Performance Security is provided. For avoidance of any doubt, in case of failure of submission of Performance Security and additional Performance Security, if any, within the additional 60 days’ time period, the Authority may withdraw the LOA and debar the Selected Bidder from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL for a period of One year, on account of failure of the Selected

Bidder to acknowledge the LOA. Thereupon all rights, privileges, claims and entitlements of the contractor under or arising out of the Award shall be deemed to have been waived by, and to have ceased with the concurrence of the Contractor, and the Award shall be deemed to have been withdrawn by the Authority.

7.2 Extension of Performance Security and Additional Performance Security

The Contractor may initially provide the Performance Security for a period of 2 (two) years; provided that it shall procure the extension of the validity of the Performance Security, as necessary, at least 2 (two) months prior to the date of expiry thereof. Upon the Contractor providing an extended Performance Security, the previous Performance Security shall be deemed to be released and the Authority shall return the same to the Contractor within a period of 7 (seven) business days from the date of submission of the extended Performance Security.

7.3 Appropriation of Performance Security

- (i) Upon occurrence of a Contractor's Default, the Authority shall, without prejudice to its other rights and remedies hereunder or in law, be entitled to encash and appropriate the relevant amounts from the Performance Security as Damages for such Contractor's Default.
- (ii) Upon such encashment and appropriation from the Performance Security, the Contractor shall, within 30 (thirty) days thereof, replenish, in case of partial appropriation, to its original level the Performance Security, and in case of appropriation of the entire Performance Security provide a fresh Performance Security, as the case may be, and the Contractor shall, within the time so granted, replenish or furnish fresh Performance Security as aforesaid failing which the Authority shall be entitled to terminate the Agreement in accordance with Article 23. Upon replenishment or furnishing of a fresh Performance Security, as the case may be, as aforesaid, the Contractor shall be entitled to an additional Cure Period of 30 (thirty) days for remedying the Contractor's Default, and in the event of the Contractor not curing its default within such Cure Period, the Authority shall be entitled to encash and appropriate such Performance Security as Damages, and to terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 23.

7.4 Release of Performance Security

- (i) The Authority shall return the Performance Security to the Contractor within 60 (sixty) days of the expiry of the Maintenance Period or the Defects Liability Period, whichever is later, under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, the Parties agree that the Authority shall not be obliged to release the Performance Security until all Defects identified during the Defects Liability Period have been rectified.
- (ii) The Authority shall return the Additional Performance Security to the Contractor within 28 (twenty eight) days from the date of issue of Completion Certificate under Article 12 of this Agreement.

- (iii) The Authority shall be liable to pay interest @ 9% (nine per cent) per annum for any delay in the return of Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, beyond the period prescribed above for the period of delay.

7.5 Retention Money¹⁰

- (i) From every payment for Works due to the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.5, the Authority shall deduct 6% (six per cent) thereof as guarantee money for performance of the obligations of the Contractor during the Construction Period (the “**Retention Money**”) subject to the condition that the maximum amount of Retention Money shall not exceed 5% (five per cent) of the Contract Price.
- (ii) Upon occurrence of a Contractor’s Default, the Authority shall, without prejudice to its other rights and remedies hereunder or in law, be entitled to appropriate the relevant amounts from the Retention Money as Damages for such Contractor’s Default.
- (iii) Within 15 (fifteen) days of the date of issue of the Completion Certificate, the Authority shall refund the balance of Retention Money remaining with the Authority after adjusting the amounts appropriated under the provisions of Clause 7.5 (ii).
- (iv) The Parties agree that in the event of Termination of this Agreement, the Retention Money specified in this Clause 7.5 shall be treated as if they are Performance Security and shall be reckoned as such for the purposes of Termination Payment under Clause 23.6.
- (v) The contractor may, upon furnishing an irrevocable and unconditional bank guarantee substantially in the form provided at Annex-II of Schedule – G, require the Authority to refund the Retention Money deducted by the Authority under the provisions of clause 7.5 (i) Provided that the refund hereunder shall be made in tranches of not less than 1% (one per cent) of the Contract Price.

¹⁰ The Authority may, in its discretion, omit Clause 7.5 and in lieu thereof increase the Performance Security under Clause 7.1 from 7.5% (seven point five per cent) to 10% (ten per cent).

Article 8

Right of Way

8.1 The Site

The site of the Project Highway (the “**Site**”) shall comprise the site described in Schedule-A in respect of which the Right of Way shall be provided by the Authority to the Contractor. The Authority shall be responsible for:

- (a) acquiring and providing Right of Way on the Site in accordance with the alignment finalised by the Authority, free from all encroachments and encumbrances, and free access thereto for the execution of this Agreement; and
- (b) obtaining licences and permits for environment clearance for the Project Highway.

8.2 Procurement of the Site

- (i) The Authority Representative, the Contractor and Authority’s Engineer shall, within 10 (ten) days of the date of this Agreement, inspect the Site and prepare a detailed memorandum containing an inventory of the Site including the vacant and unencumbered land, buildings, structures, road works, trees and any other immovable property on or attached to the Site (hereinafter referred to as the “**Handover Memorandum**”). Subject to the provisions of Clause 8.2 (iii), the Handover Memorandum shall have appended thereto an appendix (the “**Appendix**”) specifying in reasonable detail those parts of the Site to which vacant access and Right of Way has not been given to the Contractor along with details of hindrances in the Construction Zone. For sake of clarity the Handover Memorandum shall clearly specify the parts of Site where work can be executed. Signing of the Handover Memorandum, in three counterparts (each of which shall constitute an original), by the authorized representatives of the Authority, Contractor and Authority’s Engineer shall be deemed to constitute a valid evidence of giving the Right of Way to the Contractor for discharging its obligations under and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- (ii) Whenever the Authority is ready to hand over any part or parts of the Site included in the Appendix, it shall inform the Contractor, by notice, of the proposed date and time such of hand over. The Authority Representative and the Contractor shall, on the date so notified, inspect the specified parts of the Site, and prepare a memorandum containing an inventory of the vacant and unencumbered land, buildings, structures, road works, trees and any other immovable property on or attached to the Site so handed over. The signing of the memorandum, in three (3) counterparts (each of which shall constitute an original), by the authorised representatives of the Parties shall be deemed to constitute a valid evidence of giving the relevant Right of Way to the Contractor.

If the contractor fails to join for site inspection or disputes the parts of the site available for work, the Authority's Engineer shall decide the parts of the site where work can be executed and notify to both the parties within 3 days of the proposed date of inspection. The parties agree that such notification of the Authority's Engineer as mentioned hereinabove shall be final and binding on the parties.

- (iii) The Authority shall provide the Right of Way to the Contractor in respect of all land included in the Appendix by the date specified in Schedule-A for those parts of the Site referred to therein, and in the event of delay for any reason other than Force Majeure or breach of this Agreement by the Contractor, it shall pay to the Contractor, Damages in a sum calculated in accordance with Clause 8.3. The Contractor agrees that it shall not be entitled to claim any other damages on account of any such delay by the Authority.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Clause 8.2, the Authority shall specify the parts of the Site, if any, for which Right of Way shall be provided to the Contractor on the dates specified in Schedule-A. Such parts shall also be included in the Appendix prepared in pursuance of Clause 8.2 (i).
- (v) The Authority further acknowledges and agrees that prior to the Appointed Date, it shall have procured issuance of the statutory notification under Applicable Laws for vesting of all the land comprising the Project in the Authority and has taken possession of area for Construction Zone for at least 90% (ninety per cent) of the total length of the Project Highway. The Parties also acknowledge and agree that the conditions specified in this Clause 8.2 (iii) shall not be modified or waived by either Party.
- (vi) For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that the Appendix shall in no event contain sections of the Project Highway the cumulative length of which exceeds 10% (ten percent) of the total length of the Project Highway.
- (vii) Pursuant to signing of Handover Memorandum under clause 8.2 (i), Contractor shall submit to the Authority's Engineer, a monthly land possession report till expiry of 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from Appointed Date, in respect of those parts of the site to which vacant access and right of way was not given to the contractor and included in Appendix to the memorandum signed under clause 8.2 (i), duly specifying the part of the site, if any, for which the right of way is yet to be handed over.

8.3 Damages for delay in handing over the Site

- (i) In the event the Right of Way to any part of the Site is not provided by the Authority on or before the date(s) specified in Clause 8.2 for any reason other than Force Majeure or breach of this Agreement by the Contractor, the Authority shall pay Damages to the Contractor a sum calculated in accordance with the following formula for and in respect of those parts of the Site to which the Right of Way has not been provided:

$$\text{Amount of Damages in Rs. per day per metre} = 0.05 \times C \times \frac{1}{L} \times \frac{1}{N}$$

Where,

C = the Contract Price;

L = length of the Project Highway in metres; and

N = Completion period in days (Appointed Date to Scheduled Completion Date)

In the event that any Damages are due and payable to the Contractor under the provisions of this Clause 8.3 (i) for delay in providing the Right of Way, the Contractor shall, subject to the provisions of Clause 10.5, be entitled to Time Extension equal to the period for which the Damages have become due and payable under this Clause 8.3 (i), save and except that:

- (a) if any delays involve time overlaps, the overlaps shall not be additive; and
- (b) such Time Extension shall be restricted only to the Works which are affected by the delay in providing the Right of Way.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that the Damages specified hereunder and the Time Extension specified in Clause 10.5 shall be restricted only to failure of the Authority to provide the Right of Way for and in respect of the "Construction Zone" which shall comprise the following components:

- Main in carriageway
 - Median (for 4 lane carriageway or more)
 - Paved and earthen shoulders
 - Area for Structures including ROB/RUBs.
 - Safety measures including Roadside Drains and Furniture.
 - A parallel working space for accommodating slopes/retaining structures etc.
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Contractor expressly agrees that Works on all parts of the Site for which Right of Way of Construction Zone is granted on the Appointed Date, or with respect to the parts of the Site provided in Schedule-A, no later than the date(s) specified therein, as the case may be, shall be completed before the Scheduled Completion Date and shall not qualify for any Time Extension under the provisions of Clause 8.3 (iii).
- (iii) (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, unless covered under the deemed de-scoping in terms of sub-clause 8.3 (iii) (b), the Authority may at any time withdraw any Works forming part of this Agreement, subject to such Works not exceeding an aggregate value, such value to be determined

in accordance with Schedule-H, equal to 10 (ten) percent of the Contract Price.

(b) Provided that if any Works cannot be undertaken within the municipal limits of a town or within any area falling in a reserved forest or wildlife sanctuary or the stretches where vacant access and Right of Way could not be handed over, as the case may be, because the requisite clearances or approvals or affected land parcels for commencing construction of Works therein have not been given within 180 (one hundred and eighty) days of the Appointed date, the affected Works shall be deemed to be withdrawn under the provisions of this Clause 8.3.3. Such Works shall not be computed for the purposes of the aforesaid ceiling of 10% (ten per cent) hereunder.

(c) Provided further that in case such stretches (as mentioned in Sub-Clause (b) above) can be handed over to the Contractor before the expiry of the original Scheduled Construction Period of the Project Highway, and the Contractor agrees to take up the work, the same may be allowed to be executed by him with corresponding Extension of Time, subject to the condition that the Contractor shall not be entitled to raise any claims on account of prolongation costs in this behalf.

- (iv) In the event of withdrawal of Works under Clause 8.3 (iii) (a), the Contract Price shall be reduced by an amount equal to 90 (ninety) per cent of the value of the Works withdrawn and the Contractor shall not be entitled to any other compensation or Damages for the withdrawal of Works.

Provided that if any Works are withdrawn after commencement of the Construction of such works, the Authority shall pay to the Contractor 110% (one hundred and ten per cent) of the fair value of the work done, as assessed by the Authority's Engineer.

The parties expressly agree that the value of the Works withdrawn shall be determined from the details available in Schedule-H. In the event that it is impossible to determine the value from Schedule-H, then the value shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Clause 13.2 (iii).

8.4 Site to be free from Encumbrances

Subject to the provisions of Clause 8.2, the Site shall be made available by the Authority to the Contractor pursuant hereto free from all Encumbrances and occupations and without the Contractor being required to make any payment to the Authority because of any costs, compensation, expenses and charges for the acquisition and use of such Site for the duration of the Project Completion Schedule. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the existing rights of way, easements, privileges, liberties and appurtenances to the Site shall not be deemed to be Encumbrances. It is further agreed that, unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, the Contractor accepts and undertakes to bear any and all risks arising out of the inadequacy or physical condition of the Site.

8.5 Protection of Site from encroachments

On and after signing the memorandum and/or subsequent memorandum referred to in Clause 8.2, and until the issue of the Completion Certificate, the Contractor shall

maintain a round-the-clock vigil over the Site and shall ensure and procure that no encroachment takes place thereon. During the Construction Period, the Contractor shall protect the Site from any and all occupations, encroachments or Encumbrances, and shall not place or create nor permit any Sub-contractor or other person claiming through or under the Agreement to place or create any Encumbrance or security threat over all or any part of the Site or the Project Assets, or on any rights of the Contractor therein or under this Agreement, save and except as otherwise expressly set forth in this Agreement. In the event of any encroachment or occupation on any part of the Site, the Contractor shall report such encroachment or occupation forthwith to the Authority and undertake its removal at its own cost and expenses.

8.6 Special/ temporary Right of Way

The Contractor shall bear all costs and charges for any special or temporary right of way required by it in connection with access to the Site. The Contractor shall obtain at its cost such facilities on or outside the Site as may be required by it for the purposes of the Project Highway and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

8.7 Access to the Authority and the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Right of Way given to the Contractor hereunder shall always be subject to the right of access of the Authority and the Authority's Engineer and their employees and agents for inspection, viewing and exercise of their rights and performance of their obligations under this Agreement.
- (ii) The Contractor shall ensure, subject to all relevant safety procedures, that the Authority has un-restricted access to the Site during any emergency situation, as decided by the Authority's Engineer.

8.8 Geological and archaeological finds

It is expressly agreed that mining, geological or archaeological rights do not form part of this Agreement with the Contractor for the Works, and the Contractor hereby acknowledges that it shall not have any mining rights or interest in the underlying minerals, fossils, antiquities, structures or other remnants or things either of particular geological or archaeological interest and that such rights, interest and property on or under the Site shall vest in and belong to the Authority or the concerned Government Instrumentality. The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent its workmen or any other person from removing or damaging such interest or property and shall inform the Authority forthwith of the discovery thereof and comply with such instructions as the concerned Government Instrumentality may reasonably give for the removal of such property. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that any reasonable expenses incurred by the Contractor hereunder shall be reimbursed by the Authority. It is also agreed that the Authority shall procure that the instructions hereunder are issued by the concerned Government Instrumentality within a reasonable period.

Article 9

Utilities and Trees

9.1 Existing utilities and roads

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that the respective entities owning the existing roads, right of way, level crossings, structures, or utilities on, under or above the Site are enabled by it to keep them in continuous satisfactory use, if necessary, by providing suitable temporary diversions with the authority of the controlling body of that road, right of way or utility.

9.2 Shifting of obstructing utilities

The Contractor shall, in accordance with Applicable Laws and with assistance of the Authority, undertake the work of shifting of any utility (including electric lines, water pipes, gas pipelines and telephone cables) to an appropriate location or alignment, if such utility or obstruction adversely affects the execution of Works or Maintenance of the Project Highway in accordance with this Agreement. The cost of such shifting, as per estimates prepared by the entity owning the utility and approved by the Authority, shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor. The scope of work of such shifting of Utilities shall be as indicated in Schedule-B-1. In the event of any delay of such shifting on the part of the contractor, no extension of time for completion of the project and no claims, in any manner, shall be admissible on this account against the Authority.

The work of shifting of Utilities can be taken up by the Contractor any time after signing of the Agreement.

9.3 New utilities

- (i) The Contractor shall allow, subject to the permission from the Authority and such conditions as the Authority may specify, access to, and use of the Site for laying telephone lines, water pipes, electricity lines/ cables or other public utilities. Where such access or use causes any financial loss to the Contractor, it may require the user of the Site to pay compensation or damages as per Applicable Laws. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that use of the Site under this Clause 9.3 shall not in any manner relieve the Contractor of its obligation to construct and maintain the Project Highway in accordance with this Agreement and any damage caused by such use shall be restored forthwith at the cost of the Authority.
- (ii) The Authority may, by notice, require the Contractor to connect any adjoining road to the Project Highway, and the connecting portion thereof falling within the Site shall be constructed by the Contractor at the Authority's cost in accordance with Article 10.

- (iii) The Authority may by notice require the Contractor to connect, through a paved road, any adjoining service station, hotel, motel or any other public facility or amenity to the Project Highway, whereupon the connecting portion thereof that falls within the Site shall be constructed by the Contractor on payment of the cost. The cost to be paid by the Authority to the Contractor shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event such road is to be constructed for the benefit of any entity, the Authority may require such entity to make an advance deposit with the Contractor or the Authority, as the case may be, of an amount equal to the estimated cost as determined by the Authority's Engineer and such advance shall be adjusted against the cost of construction as determined by the Authority's Engineer hereunder.
- (iv) In the event construction of any Works is affected by a new utility or works undertaken in accordance with this Clause 9.3, the Contractor shall be entitled to a reasonable Time Extension as determined by the Authority's Engineer.

9.4 Felling of trees

The Authority shall assist the Contractor in obtaining the Applicable Permits for felling of trees in non-forest area to be identified by the Authority for this purpose if, and only if, such trees cause a Material Adverse Effect on the construction or maintenance of the Project Highway. The Contractor shall fell these trees as per the Permits obtained. The cost of such felling shall be borne by the Authority and in the event of any delay in felling thereof for reasons beyond the control of the Contractor; it shall be excused for failure to perform any of its obligations hereunder if such failure is a direct consequence of delay in the felling of trees. The Parties hereto agree that the felled trees shall be deemed to be owned by the Authority and shall be disposed in such manner and subject to such conditions as the Authority may in its sole discretion deem appropriate. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that if any felling of trees hereunder is in a forest area, the Applicable Permit thereof shall be procured by the Authority within the time specified in the Agreement.

9.5 Dismantling of structures

The Contractor shall at its own cost dismantle the structures in the acquired lands including those on patta lands, abadi lands, assigned lands, etc. the compensation for which, was paid by the Authority to the land owners and the lands were handed over to the Contractor as per Schedule B-I. The Contractor shall, at its own cost, dispose of the dismantled material in its sole discretion as deemed appropriate, while complying with all environmental guidelines and regulations and clear the Site for undertaking construction. In the event of any delay in dismantling of structures thereof for reasons beyond the control of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be entitled to Damages in a sum calculated in accordance with the formula specified in Clause 8.3 (i) for the period of delay, and to the Time Extension in accordance with Clause 10.5 for and in respect of the part(s) of the Works affected by such delay; provided that if the delays

involve any time overlaps, the overlaps shall not be additive.

9.6 Development Period

The Contractor may commence pre-construction activities like utility shifting, boundary wall construction or any other activity assigned to the Contractor by the Authority to enable construction of the Project Highway immediately after signing of the Agreement, to the extent that such work is ready for execution. The Parties agree that these works may be taken up and completed to the extent feasible by the Contractor, before declaration of the Appointed Date, but no claim against the Authority for delay shall survive during this period and that the undertaking of these works by the Contractor shall not count towards the Scheduled Construction Period of the project which starts counting only from the Appointed Date. No construction activity of the Project Highway shall be undertaken during the development period.

Article 10

Design and Construction of the Project Highway

10.1 Obligations prior to commencement of Works

- (i) Within 20 (twenty) days of the Appointed Date, the Contractor shall:
- (a) appoint its representative, duly authorised to deal with the Authority in respect of all matters under or arising out of or relating to this Agreement;
 - (b) appoint a design director (the “**Design Director**”) who will head the Contractor’s design unit and shall be responsible for surveys, investigations, collection of data, and preparation of preliminary and detailed designs;
 - (c) undertake and perform all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary or required before commencement of Works under and in accordance with this Agreement, the Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits; and
 - (d) make its own arrangements for quarrying of materials needed for the Project Highway under and in accordance with the Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits.
- (ii) The Authority shall, appoint an engineer (the “**Authority’s Engineer**”) before the Appointed Date to discharge the functions and duties specified in this Agreement, and shall notify to the Contractor the name, address and the date of appointment of the Authority’s Engineer forthwith.

(iii) Work Programme

(A) Within 30 (thirty) days of the Appointed Date, the Contractor shall submit to the Authority and the Authority’s Engineer a work programme (the “**Programme**”) for organising and carrying out whole of the Works, developed using computerized Critical Path Method (CPM) networking techniques, using the Precedence Diagramming Method (PDM) and shall be present in bar chart and time-scaled network diagram format to a weekly or monthly time scale for review and consent of the Engineer, giving the following details :

- (a) Part I : Contractor’s organisation for the Project, the general methods and arrangements for design and construction, environmental management plan, Quality Assurance Plan including design quality plan, traffic management and safety plan covering safety of users and workers during construction (including use of ‘ROBOTS’ for diversion and control of traffic), Contractor’s key personnel and equipment.
- (b) Part II : Programme for completion of all stages of construction given in Schedule-H and Project Milestones of the Works as specified in Project

Completion Schedule set forth in Schedule-J. The Programme shall include:

- i. Project Milestone Dates,
- ii. the order in which the Contractor intends to carry out all physical work to be undertaken in the performance of the Contract obligations, including the anticipated timing of design and stages of Works,
- iii. procurement of major materials and the delivery and/or partial delivery date on-Site of principal items of Contractor's Equipment/Machinery,
- iv. any off-site work such as production or pre-fabrication of components,
- v. installation of temporary construction facilities,
- vi. construction activities of sub-contractors,
- vii. the periods for reviews under Clause 10.2.
- viii. the sequence and timing of inspections and tests specified in this Agreement
- ix. the particulars for the pre-construction reviews and for any other submissions, approvals and consents specified in the Agreement.
- x. any outside influence which will or may affect the Works

(c) Part III : Monthly cash flow forecast.

(B) The Works Programme shall show achievement of all Milestone Dates and shall be organised in a logical work-breakdown-structure including work stages and phases, and shall clearly indicate the critical path(s).

(C) Each activity in the Works Programme shall be coded to indicate.

- a. Activity ID and Activity Code.
- b. The Authority's Engineer may request additional activity coding to the extent available without restraint to the Contractor's utilisation of the programme software. When requested the Contractor shall add the required additional coding to the Programme. The Contractor shall use additional code fields as requested to comply with the requirements and for the use of the Contractor.
- c. Activity duration shall not exceed two (2) weeks, unless otherwise consented to by the Engineer, except non-construction activities such as submittals, submittal reviews, procurement and delivery of materials or equipment and concrete curing. The Contractor shall submit a Programme/Project Calendar cross reference clearly indicating the allowance for holidays.

(D) Baseline Physical Progress 'S' Curve

The Contractor shall also submit a forecast Cumulative Physical Progress 'S' curve based on the time-phased distribution of cost in the CPM Network Logic Diagram, expressed in percentage terms. This 'S' curve shall be generated from the computerised CPM Network Logic Diagram

(E) Baseline Resource Charts

The Contractor shall also submit a Resource Charts, generated from the Contractor's CPM Network Diagram, showing the anticipated manpower and main Construction Equipment usage during the execution of the Project.

(F) Works Programme Revisions

- a. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Authority's Engineer in writing of the need for any changes in the Works Programme, whether due to a change of intention or of circumstances or for any other reason. Where such proposed change affects timely completion of the Works or any Project Milestone Date. The proposed revised Works Programme shall show the sequence of operations of any and all works related to the change and the impact of changed work or changed conditions.
- b. If at any time the Authority's Engineer considers the actual or anticipated progress of the work reflects a significant deviation from the Works Programme, he may request the Contractor to submit a proposed revised Programme. The proposed revised Works Programme shall show the sequence of operations of any and all work related to the change and the impact of changed work or changed conditions.

(G) Three Month Rolling Programme

- (1) The Three Month Rolling Programme shall be an expansion of the approved Works Programme, covering sequential periods of three months. The Three Month Rolling Programme shall provide more detail of the Contractor's plan, organisation and execution of the work within these periods. In particular, the Contractor shall expand each activity planned to occur during the next three(3) month period, if necessary to a daily level of detail.
- (2) The Three Month Rolling Programme shall be developed as a Critical Path Method (CPM) network, and shall be presented in bar chart and time-scaled network diagram format. Bar charts shall be presented on an A4 and time-scaled networks diagrams on an A1 size reproducible media. Tasks in the programme shall be derivatives of and directly related to tasks in the approved Works Programme.

(H) Programming Personnel and Software

The Contractor shall submit, as part of its Staff Organisation Plan, the names and required information for the staff to be employed on Works Programming. The principal Works Programmer shall hold reputable professional qualifications acceptable to the Authority's Engineer including at least five (5) years relevant experience in programming civil engineering works. Others in the group shall have at least three (3) years experience in such work. The programmers shall be employed by the Contractor full time on the Contract until the completion or such earlier time the Engineer may give his consent. Also the Contractor shall provide licenced copy of software used to develop Works Programme to the Authority and Authority's Engineer.

- (iv) The Contractor shall compute, on the basis of the Drawings prepared in accordance

with Clause 10.2 (iv), and provide to the Authority's Engineer, the length, area and numbers, as the case may be, in respect of the various items of work specified in Schedule-H and comprising the Scope of the Project. The Parties expressly agree that these details shall form the basis for estimating the interim payments for the Works in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.3. For the avoidance of doubt, the sum of payments to be computed in respect of all the items of work shall not exceed the Contract Price, as may be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

- (v) The Contractor shall appoint a safety consultant (the **"Safety Consultant"**) to carry out a safety audit at the design stage of the Project Highway in accordance with the Applicable Laws and Good Industry Practice. The Safety Consultant shall be appointed after proposing to the Authority a panel of three (3) names of qualified and experienced firms from which the Authority may choose one (1) to be the Safety Consultant. Provided, however, that if the panel is not acceptable to the Authority and the reasons for the same are furnished to the Contractor, the Contractor shall propose to the Authority a revised panel of three (3) names from the firms empanelled as safety consultants by the [Ministry of Road Transport and Highways] for obtaining the consent of the Authority. The Contractor shall also obtain the consent of the Authority for the key personnel of the Safety Consultant who shall have adequate experience and qualifications in safety audit of the highway projects. The Authority shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of receiving a proposal from the Contractor hereunder, convey its decision, with reasons, to the Contractor, and if no such decision is conveyed within the said period, the Contractor may proceed with engaging of the Safety Consultant.

The safety audit pursuant to Clause 10.1 (v) shall be carried out by the Safety Consultant in respect of all such design details that have a bearing on safety of Users as well as pedestrians and animals involved in or associated with accidents. The recommendations of the Safety Consultant shall be incorporated in the design of the Project Highway and the Contractor shall forward to the Authority's Engineer a certificate to this effect together with the recommendations of the Safety Consultant. In the event that any works required by the Safety Consultant shall fall beyond the scope of Schedule-B, Schedule-C or Schedule-D, the Contractor shall make a report thereon and seek the instructions of the Authority for Change in Scope. For the avoidance of doubt, the Safety Consultant to be engaged by the Contractor shall be independent of the design and implementation team of the Contractor.

10.2 Design and Drawings

- (i) Design and Drawings shall be developed in conformity with the Specifications and Standards set forth in Schedule-D. In the event, the Contractor requires any relaxation in design standards due to restricted Right of Way in any section, the alternative design criteria for such section shall be provided for review and approval of the Authority's Engineer.

- (ii) The Contractor shall appoint a proof check consultant (the “**Proof Consultant**”) after proposing to the Authority a panel of three (3) names of qualified and experienced firms from whom the Authority may choose one (1) to be the Proof Consultant. Provided, however, that if the panel is not acceptable to the Authority and the reasons for the same are furnished to the Contractor, the Contractor shall propose to the Authority a revised panel of three (3) names from the firms empanelled as proof consultants by the [Ministry of Road Transport and Highways] for obtaining the consent of the Authority. The Contractor shall also obtain the consent of the Authority for two (2) key personnel of the Proof Consultant who shall have adequate experience and qualifications in highways and bridges respectively. The Authority shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of receiving a proposal from the Contractor hereunder, convey its decision, with reasons, to the Contractor, and if no such decision is conveyed within the said period, the Contractor may proceed with engaging of the Proof Consultant.
- (iii) The Proof Consultant shall:
- (a) evolve a systems approach with the Design Director so as to minimise the time required for final designs and construction drawings; and
 - (b) proof check the detailed calculations, drawings and designs, which have been approved by the Design Director.
- (iv) In respect of the Contractor’s obligations with respect to the design and Drawings of the Project Highway as set forth in Schedule-I, the following shall apply:
- (h) The Contractor shall ensure that only controlled copies of drawings reviewed & approved by Authority Engineer is released to site. If the unapproved drawings are found to be released to site, a non refundable penalty of Rs 1,00,000/- shall be levied to the contractor for each incidence.
 - (a) The Contractor shall prepare and submit, with reasonable promptness and in such sequence as is consistent with the Project Completion Schedule, three (3) copies each of the design and Drawings, duly certified by the Proof Consultant, to the Authority’s Engineer for its approval. Provided, however, that in respect of Major Bridges and Structures, the Authority’s Engineer may require additional drawings for approval in accordance with Good Industry Practice.
 - (b) by submitting the Drawings for review and approval to the Authority’s Engineer, the Contractor shall be deemed to have represented that it has determined and verified that the design and engineering, including field construction criteria related thereto, are in conformity with the Scope of the Project, the Specifications and Standards and the Applicable Laws;
 - (c) within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of the Drawings, the Authority’s Engineer shall review the same and convey its approval/observations to the Contractor with particular reference to their conformity or otherwise with the Scope of the Project and the Specifications and Standards. Provided, however that in case of a major bridge or structure, the aforesaid period of 15 (fifteen)

days may be extended up to 30 (thirty) days;

- (d) if the aforesaid observations of the Authority's Engineer indicate that the Drawings are not in conformity with the Scope of the Project or the Specifications and Standards, such Drawings shall be revised by the Contractor in conformity with the provisions of this Agreement and resubmitted to the Authority's Engineer for review and approval. The Authority's Engineer shall give its observations, if any, within 10 (ten) days of receipt of the revised Drawings. In the event the Contractor fails to revise and resubmit such Drawings to the Authority's Engineer for review/approval as aforesaid, the Authority's Engineer may withhold the payment for the affected works in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.5 (iv). If the Contractor disputes any decision, direction or determination of the Authority's Engineer hereunder, the Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure;
- (e) no review/approval and/or observation of the Authority's Engineer and/or its failure to review/approval and/or convey its observations on any Drawings shall relieve the Contractor of its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement in any manner nor shall the Authority's Engineer or the Authority be liable for the same in any manner; and if errors, omissions, ambiguities, inconsistencies, inadequacies or other Defects are found in the Drawings, they and the construction works shall be corrected at the Contractor's cost, notwithstanding any approval under this Article 10;
- (f) the Contractor shall be responsible for delays in submitting the Drawing as set forth in Schedule-I caused by reason of delays in surveys and field investigations, and shall not be entitled to seek any relief in that regard from the Authority; and
- (g) the Contractor warrants that its designers, including any third parties engaged by it, shall have the required experience and capability in accordance with Good Industry Practice and it shall indemnify the Authority against any damage, expense, liability, loss or claim, which the Authority might incur, sustain or be subject to arising from any breach of the Contractor's design responsibility and/or warranty set out in this Clause.
- (h) the Contractor shall ensure that all the designs and drawings shall be approved from the Authority's Engineer within 90 days (ninety) from the Appointed Date.
- (v) Any cost or delay in construction arising from review/approval by the Authority's Engineer shall be borne by the Contractor.
- (vi) Works shall be executed in accordance with the Drawings provided by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Clause 10.2 and the approval of the Authority's Engineer thereon as communicated pursuant to the provisions of sub- Clause (c) & (d) of Clause 10.2 (iv). Such Drawings shall not be amended or altered without prior written notice to the Authority's Engineer. If a Party becomes aware of

an error or defect of a technical nature in the design or Drawings, that Party shall promptly give notice to the other Party of such error or defect.

- (vii) Within 90 (ninety) days of the Project Completion Date, the Contractor shall furnish to the Authority and the Authority's Engineer a complete set of as-built Drawings, in 2 (two) hard copies and in micro film form or in such other medium as may be acceptable to the Authority, reflecting the Project Highway as actually designed, engineered and constructed, including an as-built survey illustrating the layout of the Project Highway and setback lines, if any, of the buildings and structures forming part of Project Facilities.

10.3 Construction of the Project Highway

- (i) The Contractor shall construct the Project Highway as specified in Schedule- B and Schedule-C, and in conformity with the Specifications and Standards set forth in Schedule-D. The Contractor shall be responsible for the correct positioning of all parts of the Works, and shall rectify any error in the positions, levels, dimensions or alignment of the Works. The [913th (Nine Hundred and Thirteen) days] from the Appointed Date shall be the scheduled completion date (the "**Scheduled Completion Date**") and the Contractor agrees and undertakes that the construction shall be completed on or before the Scheduled Completion Date, including any extension thereof.
- (ii) The Contractor shall construct the Project Highway in accordance with the Project Completion Schedule set forth in Schedule-J. In the event that the Contractor fails to achieve any Project Milestone or the Scheduled Completion Date within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date set forth in Schedule-J, unless such failure has occurred due to Force Majeure or for reasons solely attributable to the Authority, it shall pay Damages to the Authority of a sum calculated at the rate of 0.05% (zero point zero five percent) of the Contract Price for delay of each day reckoned from the date specified in Schedule -J and until such Project Milestone is achieved or the Project Highway is completed; provided that if the period for any or all Project Milestones or the Scheduled Completion Date is extended in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the dates set forth in Schedule-J shall be deemed to be modified accordingly and the provisions of this Agreement shall apply as if Schedule-J has been amended as above; provided further that in the event the Project Highway is completed within or before the Scheduled Completion Date including any Time Extension, applicable for that work or section, the Damages paid under this Clause 10.3 (ii) shall be refunded by the Authority to the Contractor, but without any interest thereon.

The Parties agree that for determining achievement or delays in completion of the Project Milestones or the Project on the due date, the works affected due to delay in providing the site for which time extension has been granted beyond the Scheduled Completion Date will be excluded. For example on the due date to achieve the Project Milestone-I (i.e., Stage Payments of 10% (ten percent) of Contract Price on 180th (one

hundred and eighty) day from the Appointed Date), if 5% (five percent) of the project length corresponding to the Project Milestone-I is not handed over or lately handed over resulting in the extension of completion of this 5% (five percent) length beyond Scheduled Completion Date, Stage Payment of $10\% \times 0.95 = 9.5\%$ only is to be achieved by 180th (one hundred and eighty) day.

For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that recovery of Damages under this Clause 10.3 (ii) shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under this Agreement including the right of Termination thereof. The Parties further agree that Time Extension hereunder shall only be reckoned for and in respect of the affected Works as specified in Clause 10.5 (ii).

- (iii) The Authority shall notify the Contractor of its decision to impose Damages in pursuance with the provisions of this Clause 10.3. Provided that no deduction on account of Damages shall be effected by the Authority without notifying the Contractor of its decision to impose the Damages, and taking into consideration the representation, if any, made by the Contractor within 20 (twenty) days of such notice. The Parties expressly agree that the total amount of Damages under Clause 10.3 (ii) shall not exceed 10% (ten percent) of the Contract Price. If the damages exceed 10% (ten percent) of the Contract Price, the Contractor shall be deemed to be in default of this agreement having no cure and the Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by issuing a Termination Notice in accordance with the provisions of Clause 23.1 (ii).
- (iv) In the event that the Contractor fails to achieve the Project Completion within a period of 90 (ninety) days from the Schedule Completion Date set forth in Schedule-J, unless such failure has occurred due to Force Majeure or for reasons solely attributable to the Authority, the contractor shall be deemed to be ineligible for bidding any future projects of the Authority, both as the sole party or as one of the parties of Joint Venture/ Consortium during the period from Scheduled Completion Date to issuance of Completion Certificate. This restriction is applicable if the contract value of the delayed project is not less than Rs. 300 Crore.

10.4 Maintenance during Construction Period

- (i) During the Construction Period, the Contractor shall maintain, at its cost, the existing lane(s) of the Project Highway so that the traffic worthiness and safety thereof are at no time materially inferior as compared to their condition on Appointed Date, and shall undertake the necessary repair and maintenance works for this purpose; provided that the Contractor may, at its cost, interrupt and divert the flow of traffic if such interruption and diversion is necessary for the efficient progress of Works and conforms to Good Industry Practice; provided further that such interruption and diversion shall be undertaken by the Contractor only with the prior written approval of the Authority's Engineer which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the Contractor shall at all times be responsible for ensuring safe operation of the Project Highway. It is further agreed

that in the event the Project includes construction of a bypass or tunnel and realignment of the existing carriageway, the Contractor shall maintain the existing highway in such sections until the new Works are open to traffic.

- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in the event of default by the Contractor in discharging the obligations specified in Clause 10.4 (i) above, the Authority shall get these maintenance works completed in the manner recommended by the Authority's Engineer to avoid public inconvenience at the risk and cost of the Contractor in order to keep the road in traffic worthy condition.

10.5 Extension of time for completion

- (i) Without prejudice to any other provision of this Agreement for and in respect of extension of time, the Contractor shall be entitled to extension of time in the Project Completion Schedule (the "**Time Extension**") to the extent that completion of any Project Milestone is or will be delayed by any of the following, namely:

- (a) delay in providing the Right of Way of Construction Zone, environmental clearances or approval of railway authorities, specified in Clause 3.1 (iv);
- (b) Change of Scope (unless an adjustment to the Scheduled Completion Date has been agreed under Article 13);
- (c) occurrence of a Force Majeure Event;
- (d) any delay, impediment or prevention caused by or attributable to the Authority, the Authority's personnel or the Authority's other contractors on the Site; and
- (e) any other cause or delay which entitles the Contractor to Time Extension in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

- (ii) The Contractor shall, no later than 15 (fifteen) business days from the occurrence of an event or circumstance specified in Clause 10.5 (i), inform the Authority's Engineer by notice in writing, with a copy to the Authority, stating in reasonable detail with supporting particulars, the event or circumstances giving rise to the claim for Time Extension in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Provided that the period of 15 (fifteen) business days shall be calculated from the date on which the Contractor became aware, or should have become aware, of the occurrence of such an event or circumstance.

Provided further that notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Time Extension shall be due and applicable only for the Works which are affected by the aforesaid events or circumstances and shall not in any manner affect the Project Completion Schedule for and in respect of the Works which are not affected hereunder.

- (iii) On the failure of the Contractor to issue to the Authority's Engineer a notice in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.5 (ii) within the time specified therein,

the Contractor shall not be entitled to any Time Extension and shall forfeit its right for any such claims in future. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event of failure of the Contractor to issue notice as specified in this clause 10.5 (iii), the Authority shall be discharged from all liability in connection with the claim.

- (iv) The Authority's Engineer shall, on receipt of the claim in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.5 (ii), examine the claim expeditiously within the time frame specified herein. In the event the Authority's Engineer requires any clarifications to examine the claim, the Authority's Engineer shall seek the same within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of receiving the claim. The Contractor shall, on receipt of the communication of the Authority's Engineer requesting for clarification, furnish the same to the Authority's Engineer within 10 (ten) days thereof. The Authority's Engineer shall, within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of receipt of such clarifications, forward in writing to the Contractor its determination of Time Extension.

Provided that when determining each extension of time under this Clause 10.5, the Authority's Engineer shall review previous determinations and may increase, but shall not decrease, the total Time Extension.

- (v) If the event or circumstance giving rise to the notice has a continuing effect:
- (a) a fully detailed claim shall be considered as interim;
 - (b) the Contractor shall, no later than 10 (ten) days after the close of each month, send further interim claims specifying the accumulated delay, the extension of time claimed, and such further particulars as the Authority's Engineer may reasonably require; and
 - (c) the Contractor shall send a final claim within 30 (thirty) days after the effect of the event or the circumstance ceases.

Upon receipt of the claim hereunder, the Authority's Engineer shall examine the same in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.5 (iv) within a period of 30 (thirty) days of the receipt thereof

10.6 Incomplete Works

In the event the Contractor fails to complete the Works in accordance with the Project Completion Schedule, including any Time Extension granted under this Agreement, the Contractor shall endeavour to complete the balance work expeditiously and shall pay Damages to the Authority in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.3 (ii) for delay of each day until the Works are completed in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Recovery of Damages under this Clause shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under this Agreement including the right to termination under Clause 23.1.

10.7 Maintenance Manual

No later than 60 (sixty) days prior to the Project Completion Date, the Contractor shall, in consultation with the Authority's Engineer, evolve a maintenance manual (the "**Maintenance Manual**") for the regular and preventive maintenance of the Project Highway in conformity with the Specifications and Standards, safety requirements and Good Industry Practice, and shall provide 5 (five) copies thereof to the Authority's Engineer. The Authority's Engineer shall review the Maintenance Manual within 15 (fifteen) days of its receipt and communicate its comments to the Contractor for necessary modifications, if any.

10.8 As-Built Records

The Contractor shall prepare, and keep up-to-date, a complete set of as built records of the execution of the Works, showing the exact as built locations, sizes and details on the Works as executed with cross references to all relevant specifications and data sheets. These records shall be kept on the Site and shall be used exclusively for the purpose of this Sub-Clause 10.8. The Contractor shall provide 2 (two) copies of as built records to the Authority prior to the commencement of the Tests on Completion.

10.9 Contractor's Use of Authority's Documents

Intellectual property in the Authority's requirements and Specifications and Standards and all other documents and materials issued by the Authority or the Authority's Representative to the Contractor shall (as between the parties) remain the property of the Authority. The Contractor may, at its cost, copy, use and communicate any such documents for the purposes of the Contract. They shall not, without the consent of the Authority, be used, copied or communicated to a third party by the Contractor, except as necessary for the purposes of the Works under the Agreement.

Article 11

Quality Assurance, Monitoring and Supervision

11.1 Quality of Materials and workmanship

The Contractor shall ensure that the Construction, Materials and workmanship are in accordance with the requirements specified in this Agreement, Specifications and Standards and Good Industry Practice.

11.2 Quality control system

- (i) The Contractor shall establish a quality control mechanism to ensure compliance with the provisions of this Agreement (the “**Quality Assurance Plan**” or “**QAP**”).
- (ii) The Contractor shall, within 30 (thirty) days of the Appointed Date, submit to the Authority’s Engineer its Quality Assurance Plan which shall include the following:
 - (a) organisation, duties and responsibilities, procedures, inspections and documentation;
 - (b) quality control mechanism including sampling and testing of Materials, test frequencies, standards, acceptance criteria, testing facilities, reporting, recording and interpretation of test results, approvals, check list for site activities, and proforma for testing and calibration in accordance with the Specifications for Road and Bridge Works issued by MORTH, relevant IRC specifications and Good Industry Practice; and
 - (c) internal quality audit system.

The Authority’s Engineer shall convey its approval to the Contractor within a period of 21 (twenty-one) days of receipt of the QAP stating the modifications, if any, required, and the Contractor shall incorporate those in the QAP to the extent required for conforming with the provisions of this Clause 11.2.

- (iii) The Contractor shall procure all documents, apparatus and instruments, fuel, consumables, water, electricity, labour, Materials, samples, and qualified personnel as are necessary for examining and testing the Project Assets and workmanship in accordance with the Quality Assurance Plan.
- (iv) The cost of testing of Construction, Materials and workmanship under this Article 11 shall be borne by the Contractor.

11.3 Methodology

The Contractor shall, at least 15 (fifteen) days prior to the commencement of the construction, submit to the Authority’s Engineer for review and consent the methodology proposed to be adopted for executing the Works, giving details of

equipment to be deployed, traffic management and measures for ensuring safety. The Authority's Engineer shall complete the review and convey its consent to the Contractor within a period of 10 (ten) days from the date of receipt of the proposed methodology from the Contractor.

11.4 Inspection and technical audit by the Authority

The Authority or any representative authorised by the Authority in this behalf may inspect and review the progress and quality of the construction of Project Highway and issue appropriate directions to the Authority's Engineer and the Contractor for taking remedial action in the event the Works are not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

11.5 External technical audit

- (i) At any time during construction, the Authority may appoint an external technical auditor to conduct an audit of the quality of the Works. The Auditor in the presence of the representatives of the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer shall carry out the tests and/ or collect samples for testing in the laboratory. The timing, the testing equipment and the sample size of this audit shall be as decided by the Authority. The findings of the audit, to the extent accepted by the Authority, shall be notified to the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer for taking remedial action in accordance with this Agreement.
- (ii) After completion of the remedial measures by the Contractor, the Auditor shall undertake a closure audit and this process will continue till the remedial measures have brought the works into compliance with the Specifications and Standards. The Contractor shall provide all assistance as may be required by the auditor in the conduct of its audit hereunder. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Clause 11.5, the external technical audit shall not affect any obligations of the Contractor or the Authority's Engineer under this Agreement.

11.6 Inspection of construction records

The Authority shall have the right to inspect the records of the Contractor relating to the Works.

11.7 Monthly progress reports

During the Construction Period, the Contractor shall, no later than 10 (ten) days after the close of each month, furnish to the Authority and the Authority's Engineer a monthly report on progress of the Works and shall promptly give such other relevant information as may be required by the Authority's Engineer.

The Contractor agrees that reporting under this Clause 11.7 shall continue until the date of the completion of the Works. Each report shall include:

- (a) an executive summary;
- (b) charts showing the status of Contractor's documents, construction and manufacturing and environmental works;
- (c) details of work subcontracted and the performance of Sub-contractors;
- (d) for the construction of each main part of the Works, the extent of progress (both quantity and percentage of the whole), the actual or expected dates of commencement, anticipated completion date of the activity, Contractor's inspections and tests;
- (e) records of manpower and Contractor's equipment on the Site;
- (f) copies for that month of quality assurance documents, test results and certificates;
- (g) safety statistics, accident data collection including details of any hazardous incidents and activities relating to environmental aspects and public relations;
- (h) comparisons of actual and planned progress, with details of any aspects which may jeopardise the completion in accordance with the Agreement, and the measures being (or to be) adopted to overcome such aspects;
- (i) details of any unresolved disputes or claims, in relation to the Project;
- (j) details of any revision to the cash flow estimate, together with a copy of the revised cash flow estimate;
- (k) status of various Applicable Permits and compliance of conditions therein;
- (l) details of various royalty payment and insurances required to be taken by the Contractor; and
- (m) such other reports as may be required by the Authority for enabling the Authority to comply with its obligations under the other Project contracts.
- (n) details of defects by the Authority;
- (o) change in emission of any sewage or effluent of any nature whatsoever, whether qualitatively or quantitatively;
- (p) any Material Adverse Effect;
- (q) declaration towards compliance with Applicable Laws including but not limited to environmental and labour legislations;
- (r) declaration specifying compliance with all Manuals provided to the Contractor; and
- (s) any change in the flow of traffic in the existing Project Highway.

11.8 Inspection

- (i) The Authority's Engineer and its authorised representative shall at all reasonable times:
 - (a) have full access to all parts of the Site and to all places from which natural Materials are being obtained for use in the Works; and
 - (b) during production, manufacture and construction at the Site and at the place of production, be entitled to examine, inspect, measure and test the Materials and workmanship, and to check the progress of manufacture of Materials.

- (ii) The Contractor shall give the Authority's Engineer and its authorised agents access, facilities and safety equipment for carrying out their obligations under this Agreement.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall submit a monthly inspection report (the "**Inspection Report**") to the Authority and the Contractor bringing out the results of inspections and the remedial action taken by the Contractor in respect of Defects or deficiencies. For the avoidance of doubt, such inspection or submission of Inspection Report by the Authority's Engineer shall not relieve or absolve the Contractor of its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement in any manner whatsoever.

11.9 Samples

The Contractor shall submit the following samples of Materials and relevant information to the Authority's Engineer for pre-construction review:

- (a) manufacturer's test reports and standard samples of manufactured Materials; and
- (b) samples of such other Materials as the Authority's Engineer may require.

11.10 Tests

- (i) For determining that the Works conform to the Specifications and Standards, the Authority's Engineer shall require the Contractor to carry out or cause to be carried out tests, at such time and frequency and in such manner as specified in this Agreement, and in accordance with Good Industry Practice for quality assurance. The test checks by the Authority's Engineer shall comprise at least 50% (fifty percent) of the quantity or number of tests prescribed for each category or type of test for quality control by the Contractor.
- (ii) In the event that results of any tests conducted under this Clause 11.10 establish any Defects or deficiencies in the Works, the Contractor shall carry out remedial measures and furnish a report to the Authority's Engineer in this behalf. The Authority's Engineer shall require the Contractor to carry out or cause to be carried out tests to determine that such remedial measures have brought the Works into compliance with the Specifications and Standards, and the procedure shall be repeated until such Works conform to the Specifications and Standards. For the avoidance of doubt, the cost of such tests and remedial measures in pursuance thereof shall be solely borne by the Contractor.

11.11 Examination of work before covering up

In respect of the work which the Authority's Engineer is entitled to examine, inspect, measure and/or test before it is covered up or put out of view or any part of the work is placed thereon, the Contractor shall give notice to the Authority's Engineer whenever any

such work is ready and before it is covered up. The Authority's Engineer shall then either carry out the examination, inspection or testing without unreasonable delay, or promptly give notice to the Contractor that the Authority's Engineer does not require to do so. Provided, however, that if any work is of a continuous nature where it is not possible or prudent to keep it uncovered or incomplete, the Contractor shall notify the schedule of carrying out such work to give sufficient opportunity, not being less than 3 (three) business days' notice, to the Authority's Engineer to conduct its inspection, measurement or test while the work is continuing. Provided further that in the event the Contractor receives no response from the Authority's Engineer within a period of 3 (three) business days from the date on which the Contractor's notice hereunder is delivered to the Authority's Engineer, the Contractor shall be entitled to assume that the Authority's Engineer would not undertake the said inspection.

11.12 Rejection

If, as a result of an examination, inspection, measurement or testing, any Plant, Materials, design or workmanship is found to be defective or otherwise not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Authority's Engineer shall reject the Plant, Materials, design or workmanship by giving notice to the Contractor, with reasons. The Contractor shall then promptly make good the Defect and ensure that the rejected item complies with the requirements of this Agreement.

If the Authority's Engineer requires the Plant, Materials, design or workmanship to be retested, the tests shall be repeated under the same terms and conditions, as applicable in each case. If the rejection and retesting cause the Authority to incur any additional costs, such cost shall be recoverable by the Authority from the Contractor; and may be deducted by the Authority from any monies due to be paid to the Contractor.

11.13 Remedial work

- (i) Notwithstanding any previous test or certification, the Authority's Engineer may instruct the Contractor to:
 - (a) remove from the Site and replace any Plant or Materials which are not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
 - (b) remove and re-execute any work which is not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the Specification and Standards; and
 - (c) execute any work which is urgently required for the safety of the Project Highway, whether because of an accident, unforeseeable event or otherwise; provided that in case of any work required on account of a Force Majeure Event, the provisions of Clause 21.6 shall apply.
- (ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the instructions issued by the Authority's Engineer under Clause 11.13 (i), within the time specified in the Authority's

Engineer's notice or as mutually agreed, the Authority's Engineer may advise the Authority to have the work executed by another agency. The cost so incurred by the Authority for undertaking such work shall, without prejudice to the rights of the Authority to recover Damages in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, be recoverable from the Contractor and may be deducted by the Authority from any monies due to be paid to the Contractor.

11.14 Delays during construction

Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 10.3 (ii), in the event the Contractor does not achieve any of the Project Milestones or the Authority's Engineer shall have reasonably determined that the rate of progress of Works is such that Completion of the Project Highway is not likely to be achieved by the end of the Scheduled Completion Date, it shall notify the same to the Contractor, and the Contractor shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of such notice, by a communication inform the Authority's Engineer in reasonable detail about the steps it proposes to take to expedite progress and the period within which it shall achieve the Project Completion Date.

11.15 Quality control records and Documents

The Contractor shall hand over a copy of all its quality control records and documents to the Authority's Engineer before the Completion Certificate is issued pursuant to Clause 12.2. The Contractor shall submit Road Signage Plans to the Authority Engineer for approval at least 6 (six) months prior to expected completion of Project Highway.

11.16 Video recording

During the Construction Period, the Contractor shall provide to the Authority for every calendar quarter, a video recording, which will be compiled into a 3 (three)- hour compact disc or digital video disc, as the case may be, covering the status and progress of Works in that quarter. The video recording shall be provided to the Authority no later than 15 (fifteen) days after the close of each quarter after the Appointed Date.

11.17 Suspension of unsafe Construction Works

- (i) Upon recommendation of the Authority's Engineer to this effect, the Authority may by notice require the Contractor to suspend forthwith the whole or any part of the Works if, in the reasonable opinion of the Authority's Engineer, such work threatens the safety of the Users and pedestrians.
- (ii) The Contractor shall, pursuant to the notice under Clause 11.17 (i), suspend the Works or any part thereof for such time and in such manner as may be specified by the Authority and thereupon carry out remedial measures to secure the safety of suspended works, the Users and pedestrians. The Contractor may by notice require

the Authority's Engineer to inspect such remedial measures forthwith and make a report to the Authority recommending whether or not the suspension hereunder may be revoked. Upon receiving the recommendations of the Authority's Engineer, the Authority shall either revoke such suspension or instruct the Contractor to carry out such other and further remedial measures as may be necessary in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, and the procedure set forth in this Clause 11.17 shall be repeated until the suspension hereunder is revoked.

- (iii) Subject to the provisions of Clause 21.6, all reasonable costs incurred for maintaining and protecting the Works or part thereof during the period of suspension (the "**Preservation Costs**"), shall be borne by the Contractor; provided that if the suspension has occurred as a result of any breach of this Agreement by the Authority, the Preservation Costs shall be borne by the Authority.
- (iv) If suspension of Works is for reasons not attributable to the Contractor, the Authority's Engineer shall determine any Time Extension to which the Contractor is reasonably entitled.

11.18 Staff and Labour

- (i) Engagement of Staff and Labour
 - (a) The Contractor shall make its own arrangements for the engagement of all personnel and labour, local or otherwise, and for their payment, housing, feeding and transport.
 - (b) The Contractor has verified/ shall verify the identity and address of all its employees and officials related to the Works by collecting necessary documentary proof.
 - (c) The Contractor shall seek a self-declaration from its employees that they have not been convicted of any criminal offence by any court and if any criminal proceedings/charge-sheets have been pending/filed against them. The Contractor shall not employ persons with criminal track record on the project. In cases where it comes to notice later that the employee concerned has concealed any such fact in his self-declaration or commits a criminal offence during the course of his employment, the Contractor shall remove such person from the project
 - (d) Deleted.
 - (e) The employees and personnel of the Contractor shall work under the supervision, control and direction of the Contractor and the Contractor shall be solely responsible for all negotiations with its employees and personnel relating to their salaries and benefits, and shall be responsible for assessments and monitoring of performance and for all disciplinary matters. All employees / personnel, executives engaged by the Contractor shall be in sole employment of the Contractor and the Contractor shall be solely

responsible for their salaries, wages, statutory payments, etc and under no circumstances the personnel shall be deemed to be the employees of the Authority. Under no circumstances the Authority shall be liable for any payment or claim or compensation of any nature to the employees and personnel of the Contractor.

- (f) All payments to the staff and labour of the contractor working on the project shall be made directly to their bank account.

(ii) Returns of Labour

- (a) The Contractor shall deliver to the Authority a detailed return in such form and at such intervals as the Authority may prescribe, showing the details including names, payment details and terms of appointment of the several classes of labour employed by the Contractor from time to time for the Works. The Contractor shall, in its returns certify that all dues of the workers or labour have been fully paid.
- (b) The Authority is entitled to witness labour payments made or to be made by the Contractor. If the Contractor defaults in its obligations for making any payments under the labour laws, the Employer may make the relevant payments. Any sum equal to any amount paid by the Employer under this Sub- Sub-Clause 9.2 shall be immediately due as a debt from the Contractor to the Employer and until payment/ set off shall carry interest at 18% per annum. For this purpose it is agreed between the parties that debt due aforesaid shall be set off immediately out the running account bills of the Contractor under this Agreement.

(iii) Persons in the Service of Others

The Contractor shall not recruit, or attempt to recruit from amongst persons in the service of the Authority.

(iv) Labour Laws

- (a) The Contractor shall obtain all relevant labour registrations and comply with all relevant labour laws applying to its employees, and shall duly pay them and afford to them all their legal rights.
- (b) The Contractor shall make all deductions of tax at source and all contributions to the Payment of Gratuity, Provident Fund (including Employees' contribution) and Employees' State Insurance Scheme as may be required by Applicable Laws and deposit the aforesaid contributed amount with the appropriate authority/(s).
- (c) The Contractor shall require all personnel engaged in the Works to obey all Applicable Laws and regulations. The Contractor shall permit Authority to witness labour payments for the Contractors direct labour, or the Subcontractors labour. The Contractor shall ensure that all its Subcontractors strictly comply with all labour laws.

- (d) Documentary evidence confirming compliance with Sub-Clause 12.4, as may be required from time to time, shall be provided to the Employer's Representative.
- (e) The Employer shall not be liable for any delay/default of the Contractor in compliance of the labour laws.
- (v) **Facilities for Staff and Labour**

The Contractor shall provide and maintain all necessary accommodation and welfare facilities for personnel engaged for the Works. The Contractor shall not permit any personnel engaged for the Works to maintain any temporary or permanent living quarters within the structures forming part of the Works.
- (vi) **Health And Safety**

All necessary precautions shall be taken by the Contractor to ensure the health and safety of staff and labour engaged for the Works. The Contractor shall, in collaboration with and to the requirements of the local health authorities, ensure that para-medical staff, first aid facilities, ambulance service are available on the Site at all times, and that suitable arrangements are made for all necessary welfare and hygiene requirements and for the prevention of epidemics. The Contractor shall appoint a safety officer to be responsible for the safety of personnel on the Site. This safety officer shall be qualified for his work and shall have the authority to issue instructions concerning safety and take protective measures to prevent accidents. The Contractor shall maintain records and make reports concerning health, safety and welfare of personnel, and damage to property, in such manner as the Authority may reasonably require.
- (vii) **Contractor's Personnel**

The Contractor shall employ only personnel who are appropriately qualified, skilled and experienced in their respective trades or occupations. The Authority may require the Contractor to remove any personnel engaged for the Works, who in the opinion of the Authority:

 - (a) has engaged in any misconduct;
 - (b) is incompetent or negligent in the performance of his duties;
 - (c) fails to conform with any provisions of the Contract;
 - (d) engages in any conduct which is prejudicial to safety, health, or the protection of the environment; or
 - (e) makes errors in the discharge of his functions.

If appropriate and required by the Employer, the Contractor shall then appoint (or cause to be appointed) a suitable replacement person.
- (viii) **Disorderly Conduct**

The Contractor shall at all times take all reasonable precautions to prevent any unlawful, riotous or disorderly conduct by or amongst its personnel, and to preserve peace and protection of people and property in the neighbourhood of the Works.

Article 12

Completion Certificate

12.1 Tests on Completion

- (i) At least 30 (thirty) days prior to the likely completion of the Project Highway, or a Section thereof, the Contractor shall notify the Authority's Engineer of its intent to subject the Project Highway or a Section thereof, to Tests. The date and time of each of the Tests shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer in consultation with the Contractor, and notified to the Authority who may designate its representative to witness the Tests. The Contractor shall either conduct the Tests as directed by the Authority's Engineer or provide such assistance as the Authority's Engineer may reasonably require for conducting the Tests. In the event of the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer failing to mutually agree on the dates for conducting the Tests, the Contractor shall fix the dates by giving not less than 10 (ten) days' notice to the Authority's Engineer.
- (ii) All Tests shall be conducted in accordance with Schedule-K. The Authority's Engineer shall either conduct or observe, monitor and review the Tests conducted by the Contractor, as the case may be, and review the results of the Tests to determine compliance of the Project Highway or a Section thereof, with Specifications and Standards and if it is reasonably anticipated or determined by the Authority's Engineer during the course of any Test that the performance of the Project Highway or Section or any part thereof, does not meet the Specifications and Standards, it shall have the right to suspend or delay such Test and require the Contractor to remedy and rectify the Defect or deficiencies. Upon completion of each Test, the Authority's Engineer shall provide to the Contractor and the Authority copies of all Test data including detailed Test results. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that the Authority's Engineer may require the Contractor to carry out or cause to be carried out additional Tests, in accordance with Good Industry Practice, for determining the compliance of the Project Highway or Section thereof with the Specifications and Standards.

12.2 Completion Certificate

- (i) Upon completion of all Works forming part of the Project Highway, and the Authority's Engineer determining the Tests to be successful and after the receipt of notarized true copies of the certificate(s) of insurance, copies of insurance policies and premium payment receipts in respect of the insurance defined in Article 20 and Schedule P of this Agreement, it shall, at the request of the Contractor forthwith issue to the Contractor and the Authority a certificate substantially in the form set forth in Schedule-L (the "Completion Certificate").
- (ii) Upon receiving the Completion Certificate, the Contractor shall remove its equipment,

materials, debris and temporary works from the Site within a period of 30 (thirty) days thereof, failing which the Authority may remove or cause to be removed, such equipment, materials, debris and temporary works and recover from the Contractor an amount equal to 120% (one hundred and twenty per cent) of the actual cost of removal incurred by the Authority.

- (iii) Without prejudice to the obligations of the Contractor specified in Articles 14 and 17, the property and ownership of all the completed Works forming part of the Project Highway shall vest in the Authority.

12.3 Rescheduling of Tests

If the Authority's Engineer certifies to the Authority and the Contractor that it is unable to issue the Completion Certificate, as the case may be, because of events or circumstances on account of which the Tests could not be held or had to be suspended, the Contractor shall be entitled to re-schedule the Tests and hold the same as soon as reasonably practicable.

Article 13

Change of Scope

13.1 Change of Scope

- (i) The Authority may, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, require the Contractor to make modifications/ alterations to the Works ("**Change of Scope**") within a period of six months counted from the Appointed Date. Upon the Authority making its intention known to the Contractor for the specific Change of Scope, be it positive or negative, the Contractor shall submit his proposal for the said Change of Scope involving additional cost or reduction in cost. Any such Change of Scope shall be made and valued in accordance with the provisions of this Article 13.
- (ii) Provided that any such Change of Scope, excluding major structures (e.g. Major Bridge/ ROB/ RUB/ Flyover/ elevated road of more than 50 m length) may be required and agreed to be executed between the parties beyond the period of six months of the Appointed Date but before expiry of 50% of the original Scheduled Construction Period of the Project Highway, subject to the condition that it shall not entail any claims (e.g. Extension of Time/ Prolongation related claims), against the Authority.
- (iii) The Change of Scope shall mean the following:
 - (a) change in specifications of any item of Works;
 - (b) omission of any work from the Scope of the Project except under Clause 8.3 (iii); provided that, subject to Clause 13.5, the Authority shall not omit any Work under this Clause in order to get it executed by any other authority; and / or
 - (c) any additional Work, Plant, Materials or services which are not included in the Scope of the Project, including any associated Tests on completion of construction.

13.2 Procedure for Change of Scope

- (i) In the event of the Authority determining that a Change of Scope is necessary, it may direct the Authority's Engineer to issue to the Contractor a notice specifying in reasonable detail the Works and services contemplated thereunder (the "**Change of Scope Notice**"). The Contractor shall submit a detailed proposal as per Clause 13.2 (iii) within 15 days from the receipt of Change of Scope Notice.
- (ii) If the Contractor determines, not later than 90 days from the Appointed Date, that a Change of Scope to the Works is required, it shall prepare a proposal with relevant details as per Clause 13.2 (iii) at its own cost and shall submit to the Authority to consider such Change of Scope (the "**Change of Scope Request**").



(iii) Upon receipt of a Change of Scope Notice, the Contractor shall, with due diligence, provide to the Authority and the Authority's Engineer such information as is necessary, together with detailed proposal in support of:

- (a) the impact, if any, which the Change of Scope is likely to have on the Project Completion Schedule if the works or services are required to be carried out during the Construction Period; and
- (b) the options for implementing the proposed Change of Scope and the effect, if any, each such option would have on the costs and time thereof, including the following details:
 - i. break-up of the quantities, unit rates and cost for different items of work; and
 - ii. proposed design for the Change of Scope;
 - iii. proposed modifications, if any, to the Project Completion Schedule of the Project Highway.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that, subject to the provisions of Clause 13.4 (ii), the Contract Price shall be increased or decreased, as the case may be, on account of any such Change of Scope.

(iv) The parties agree that costs and time for implementation of the proposed Change of Scope shall be determined as per the following:

- (a) For works where Schedule of Rates (SOR) of concerned circle of State's Public Works Department are applicable at the Base Date are available, the same shall be applicable for determination of costs. In case of non-availability of Schedule of Rates at the Base Date, the available Schedule of Rates shall be applied by updating the same based on WPI. In case the Contract Price is lower/ higher than the Estimated Project Cost as per RFP, then the SOR rates shall be reduced/ increased in the same proportion accordingly.
- (b) For item of Works not included in Schedule of Rates as mentioned in sub-para (a) of Clause 13.2 (iv) above, the cost of same shall be derived on the basis of MORTH Standard Data Book and the Authority's Engineer shall determine the prevailing market rates and discount the same considering WPI to achieve the prevailing rate at the Base Date, and for any item in respect of which MORTH Standard Data Book does not provide the requisite details, the Authority's Engineer shall determine the rate in accordance with Good Industry Practice.

For the avoidance of doubt, in case the cost as determined by the Contractor and the Authority reveals a difference of more than 10% (ten per cent), the cost as determined by the Authority shall be considered as final and binding on the Contractor.

- (c) The design charges shall be considered only for new works or items (i.e. the Works or items not similar to the works or items in the original scope) @ 1% (one per cent) of cost of such new works or items.



- (d) The costs of existing works or items, which are being changed/ omitted shall also be valued as per above procedure and only net cost shall be considered.
- (e) The reasonable time for completion of works to be taken under Change of Scope shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer on the basis of Good Industry Practice and if such time exceeds the Scheduled Completion Date, the issue of Completion Certificate shall not be affected or delayed on account of construction of Change of Scope items/ works remaining incomplete on the date of Tests.
- (v) Upon consideration of the detailed proposal submitted by the Contractor under the Clause 13.2 (iii), the Authority, within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of such proposal, may in its sole discretion either accept such Change of Scope with modifications, if any, and initiate proceedings thereof in accordance with this Article 13 or reject the proposal and inform the Contractor of its decision and shall issue an order (the "**Change of Scope Order**") requiring the Contractor to proceed with the performance thereof.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that the Contractor shall not undertake any Change of Scope without the express consent of the Authority, save and except any works necessary for meeting any Emergency, that too with verbal approval of Authority which shall be confirmed in writing in next 3 (three) days. In the event that the Parties are unable to agree, the Authority may:

- (a) issue a Change of Scope Order requiring the Contractor to proceed with the performance thereof at the rates and conditions approved by the Authority till the matter is resolved in accordance with Article 26;
or
- (b) proceed in accordance with Clause 13.5.
- (vi) The provisions of this Agreement, insofar as they relate to Works and Tests, shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Works undertaken by the Contractor under this Article 13.

13.3 Payment for Change of Scope

Payment for Change of Scope shall be made in accordance with the payment schedule specified in the Change of Scope Order.

13.4 Restrictions on Change of Scope

- (i) No Change of Scope shall be executed unless the Authority has issued the Change of Scope Order save and except any Works necessary for meeting any Emergency.
- (ii) The total value of all Change of Scope Orders shall not exceed 10% (ten per cent) of the Contract Price.

- (iii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article 13, if any change is necessitated because of any default of the Contractor in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, the same shall not be deemed to be Change of Scope, and shall not result in any adjustment of the Contract Price or the Project Completion Schedule.

13.5 Power of the Authority to undertake Works

- (i) In the event the Parties are unable to agree to the proposed Change of Scope Orders in accordance with Clause 13.2, the Authority may, after giving notice to the Contractor and considering its reply thereto, award such Works or services to any person or agency on the basis of open competitive bidding. It is also agreed that the Contractor shall provide assistance and cooperation to the person or agency who undertakes the works or services hereunder. The Contractor shall not be responsible for rectification of any Defects, but the Contractor shall carry out maintenance of such works after completion of Defect Liability Period of work by other person or agency during the remaining period of this agreement without any extra payment.
- (ii) The Works undertaken in accordance with this Clause 13.5 shall conform to the Specifications and Standards and shall be carried out in a manner that minimises the disruption in operation of the Project Highway. The provisions of this Agreement, insofar as they relate to Works and Tests, shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Works carried out under this Clause 13.5.

Article 14

Maintenance

14.1 Maintenance obligations of the Contractor

- (i) The Contractor shall maintain the Project Highway for a period of 5 (five) years, corresponding to the Defects Liability Period, commencing from the date of the Completion Certificate (the “**Maintenance Period**”). For the performance of its Maintenance obligations, the Contractor shall be paid (if not included in the Schedule - H):
- (a) For flexible pavement with 5 years Maintenance Period including structures: no maintenance charges shall be paid for the first year; 0.50% of the Contract Price each for the second, third and fourth year; and 1% of the Contract Price for the fifth year
- (b) For rigid pavement with 10 years Maintenance Period including structures: 0.25% of the Contract Price each for the first, second and third year, 0.5% of the Contract Price each for fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh year, and 0.75% of the Contract Price each for eighth, ninth and tenth year.
- (c) For flexible perpetual pavement with 10 years maintenance period including structures: no maintenance charges shall be paid for the first year; 0.5% of the Contract Price each for the second, third and fourth year; 0.75% of the Contract Price each for the subsequent years till laying of the renewal layer or end of maintenance period, whichever is earlier. The requirement for the renewal layer shall be worked out based on the survey and investigation of the existing pavement and the cost of such renewal works shall be made separately to the Contractor based on the principles defined under clause 13.2(iii). After laying of the renewal layer, the Contractor shall be paid @ 0.5% of the original Contract Price each for the remaining years till the end of maintenance period.
- (d) For stand-alone Bridge/ Tunnel works: the contractor shall be paid @ 0.25% of the Contract Price each for the first five years and @ 0.50% of the Contract Price each for the remaining period of five years.
- (e) For any other works: The contractor shall be paid at the rate of 0.50% of the contract price for the entire duration of maintenance period.

Above amount for the performance of Contractors’ Maintenance obligations shall be, inclusive of all taxes. The amount payable for maintenance shall be adjusted to reflect any increase or decrease arising out of variation in WPI to be determined in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.12. It is further agreed that the Contract Price hereunder shall be reckoned with reference to the amount specified in Clause 19.1 (i), which shall be adjusted to the extent of Change of Scope and the works withdrawn under the provisions of Clause 8.3 (iii), but shall not include any price adjustments in pursuance of Clause 19.10.



- (ii) During the Maintenance Period, the Authority shall provide to the Contractor access to the Site for Maintenance in accordance with this Agreement. The obligations of the Contractor hereunder shall include:
 - (a) permitting safe, smooth and uninterrupted flow of traffic on the Project Highway;
 - (b) undertaking routine maintenance including prompt repairs of potholes, cracks, joints, drains, embankments, structures, pavement markings, lighting, road signs and other traffic control devices. For the avoidance of doubt, the electricity charges for operation of electrical infrastructure installed along the project length, except the infrastructure being used by the Contractor for its own use, shall be borne by the Authority;
 - (c) undertaking repairs to structures;
 - (d) informing the Authority of any unauthorised use of the Project Highway;
 - (e) informing the Authority of any encroachments on the Project Highway; and
 - (f) operation and maintenance of all communication, patrolling, and administrative systems necessary for the efficient maintenance of the Project Highway in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- (iii) In respect of any Defect or deficiency not specified in Schedule-E, the Contractor shall, at its own cost, undertake repair or rectification in accordance with Good Industry Practice, save and except to the extent that such Defect or deficiency shall have arisen on account of any wilful default or neglect of the Authority or a Force Majeure Event.
- (iv) The Contractor shall remove promptly from the Project Highway any waste materials (including hazardous materials and waste water), rubbish and other debris (including, without limitation, accident debris) and keep the Project Highway in a clean, tidy and orderly condition, and in conformity with the Applicable Laws, Applicable Permits and Good Industry Practice.

14.2 Maintenance Requirements

The Contractor shall ensure and procure that at all times during the Maintenance Period, the Project Highway conforms to the maintenance requirements set forth in Schedule-E (the “**Maintenance Requirements**”).

14.3 Maintenance Programme

- (i) The Contractor shall prepare a monthly maintenance programme (the “**Maintenance Programme**”) in consultation with the Authority’s Engineer and submit the same to the Authority’s Engineer not later than 10 (ten) days prior to the commencement of the month in which the Maintenance is to be carried out. For this purpose a joint monthly inspection by the Contractor and the Authority’s Engineer shall be undertaken. The Maintenance Programme shall contain the following:



- (a) The condition of the road in the format prescribed by the Authority's Engineer;
- (b) the proposed maintenance Works; and
- (c) deployment of resources for maintenance Works.

14.4 Safety, vehicle breakdowns and accidents

- (i) The Contractor shall ensure safe conditions for the Users, and in the event of unsafe conditions, lane closures, diversions, vehicle breakdowns and accidents, it shall follow the relevant operating procedures for removal of obstruction and debris without delay. Such procedures shall conform to the provisions of this Agreement, Applicable Laws, Applicable Permits and Good Industry Practice.
- (ii) The Contractor shall maintain and operate a round-the-clock vehicle rescue post with 1 (one) mobile crane having the capacity to lift a truck with a Gross Vehicle Weight of 30,000 (thirty thousand) kilograms; and such post shall be located at [****]. The Contractor shall promptly remove any damaged vehicles and debris from the Project Highway to enable safe movement of traffic and shall report all accidents to the police forthwith.

14.5 Lane closure

- (i) The Contractor shall not close any lane of the Project Highway for undertaking maintenance works except with the prior written approval of the Authority's Engineer. Such approval shall be sought by the Contractor through a written request to be made at least 10 (ten) days before the proposed closure of lane and shall be accompanied by particulars thereof. Within 5 (five) business days of receiving such request, the Authority's Engineer shall grant permission with such modifications as it may deem necessary and a copy of such permission shall be sent to the Authority.
- (ii) Upon receiving the permission pursuant to Clause 14.5 (i), the Contractor shall be entitled to close the designated lane for the period specified therein, and for all lane closures extending a continuous period of 48 (forty-eight) hours, the Contractor shall, in the event of any delay in re-opening such lane, for every stretch of 250 (two hundred and fifty) metres, or part thereof, pay Damages to the Authority calculated at the rate of 0.1% (zero point one per cent) of the monthly maintenance payment for each day of delay until the lane has been re-opened for traffic. In the event of any delay in re-opening such lanes or in the event of emergency decommissioning and closure to traffic of the whole or any part of the Project Highway due to failure of the Contractor, the Contractor shall pay damages to the Authority at double the above rate, without prejudice the rights of the Authority under this Agreement including Termination thereof.

14.6 Reduction of payment for non-performance of Maintenance obligations

- (i) In the event that the Contractor fails to repair or rectify any Defect or deficiency set

forth in Schedule-E within the period specified therein, it shall be deemed as failure of performance of Maintenance obligations by the Contractor and the Authority shall be entitled to effect reduction in monthly lump sum payment for maintenance in accordance with Clause 19.7 and Schedule-M, without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under this Agreement, including Termination thereof.

- (ii) If the nature and extent of any Defect justifies more time for its repair or rectification than the time specified in Schedule-E, the Contractor shall be entitled to additional time in conformity with Good Industry Practice. Such additional time shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer and conveyed to the Contractor and the Authority with reasons thereof.

14.7 Authority's right to take remedial measures

In the event the Contractor does not maintain and/or repair the Project Highway or any part thereof in conformity with the Maintenance Requirements, the Maintenance Manual or the Maintenance Programme, as the case may be, and fails to commence remedial works within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the Maintenance Inspection Report under Clause 15.2 or a notice in this behalf from the Authority or the Authority's Engineer, as the case may be, the Authority shall, without prejudice to its rights under this Agreement including Termination thereof, be entitled to undertake such remedial measures at the cost of the Contractor, and to recover its cost from the Contractor. In addition to recovery of the aforesaid cost, a sum equal to 20% (twenty per cent) of such cost shall be paid by the Contractor to the Authority as Damages.

14.8 Restoration of loss or damage to Project Highway

Save and except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, in the event that the Project Highway or any part thereof suffers any loss or damage during the Maintenance from any cause attributable to the Contractor, the Contractor shall, at its cost and expense, rectify and remedy such loss or damage forthwith so that the Project Highway conforms to the provisions of this Agreement.

14.9 Overriding powers of the Authority

- (i) If in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, the Contractor is in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement and, in particular, the Maintenance Requirements, and such breach is causing or likely to cause material hardship or danger to the Users and pedestrians, the Authority may, without prejudice to any of its rights under this Agreement including Termination thereof, by notice require the Contractor to take reasonable measures immediately for rectifying or removing such hardship or danger, as the case may be.
- (ii) In the event that the Contractor, upon notice under Clause 14.9 (i), fails to rectify or remove any hardship or danger within a reasonable period, the Authority may exercise overriding powers under this Clause 14.9 (ii) and take over the performance

of any or all the obligations of the Contractor to the extent deemed necessary by it for rectifying or removing such hardship or danger; provided that the exercise of such overriding powers by the Authority shall be of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is reasonably required hereunder; provided further that any costs and expenses incurred by the Authority in discharge of its obligations hereunder shall be recovered by the Authority from the Contractor, and the Authority shall be entitled to deduct any such costs and expenses incurred from the payments due to the Contractor under Clause 19.7 for the performance of its Maintenance obligations.

- (iii) In the event of a national emergency, civil commotion or any other circumstances specified in Clause 21.3, the Authority may take over the performance of any or all the obligations of the Contractor to the extent deemed necessary by it, and exercise such control over the Project Highway or give such directions to the Contractor as may be deemed necessary; provided that the exercise of such overriding powers by the Authority shall be of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is reasonably required in the circumstances which caused the exercise of such overriding power by the Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, it is agreed that the consequences of such action shall be dealt in accordance with the provisions of Article 21. It is also agreed that the Contractor shall comply with such instructions as the Authority may issue in pursuance of the provisions of this Clause 14.9 (iii), and shall provide assistance and cooperation to the Authority, on a best effort basis, for performance of its obligations hereunder.

14.10 Taking over Certificate

The Maintenance Requirements set forth in Schedule-E having been duly carried out, Maintenance Period as set forth in Clause 14.1 (i) having been expired and Authority's Engineer determining the Tests on Completion of Maintenance to be successful in accordance with Schedule-Q, the Authority will issue Taking Over Certificate to the Contractor substantially in the format set forth in Schedule-R.

Article 15

Supervision and Monitoring during Maintenance

15.1 Inspection by the Contractor

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall undertake regular inspections to evaluate continuously the compliance with the Maintenance Requirements.
- (ii) The Contractor shall carry out a detailed pre-monsoon inspection of all bridges, culverts and drainage system in accordance with the guidelines contained in IRC: SP35. Report of this inspection together with details of proposed maintenance works as required shall be conveyed to the Authority's Engineer forthwith. The Contractor shall complete the proposed maintenance works before the onset of the monsoon and send a compliance report to the Authority's Engineer. Post monsoon inspection shall be undertaken by the Contractor and the inspection report together with details of any damages observed and proposed action to remedy the same shall be conveyed to the Authority's Engineer forthwith.

15.2 Inspection and payments

- (i) The Authority's Engineer may inspect the Project Highway at any time, but at least once every month, to ensure compliance with the Maintenance Requirements. It shall make a report of such inspection ("**Maintenance Inspection Report**") stating in reasonable detail the Defects or deficiencies, if any, with particular reference to the Maintenance Requirements, the Maintenance Manual, and the Maintenance Programme, and send a copy thereof to the Authority and the Contractor within 10 (ten) days of such inspection.
- (ii) After the Contractor submits to the Authority's Engineer the Monthly Maintenance Statement for the Project Highway pursuant to Clause 19.6, the Authority's Engineer shall carry out an inspection within 10 (ten) days to certify the amount payable to the Contractor. The Authority's Engineer shall inform the Contractor of its intention to carry out the inspection at least 3 (three) business days in advance of such inspection. The Contractor shall assist the Authority's Engineer in verifying compliance with the Maintenance Requirements.
- (iii) For each case of non-compliance of Maintenance Requirements as specified in the inspection report of the Authority's Engineer, the Authority's Engineer shall calculate the amount of reduction in payment in accordance with the formula specified in Schedule-M.
- (iv) Any deduction made on account of non-compliance will not be paid subsequently even after establishing the compliance thereof. Such deductions will continue to be made every month until the compliance is procured.

15.3 Tests

For determining that the Project Highway conforms to the Maintenance Requirements, the Authority's Engineer shall require the Contractor to carry out, or cause to be carried out, Tests specified by it in accordance with Good Industry Practice. The Contractor shall, with due diligence, carry out or cause to be carried out all such Tests in accordance with the instructions of the Authority's Engineer and furnish the results of such Tests forthwith to the Authority's Engineer.

At any time during Maintenance Period, the Authority may appoint an external technical auditor to conduct an audit of the quality of the Works. The Auditor in the presence of the representatives of the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer shall carry out the Tests and/ or collect samples for testing in the laboratory. The timing, the testing equipment and the sample size of this audit shall be as decided by the Authority. The findings of the audit, to the extent accepted by the Authority, shall be notified to the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer for taking remedial measures. After completion of the remedial measures by the Contractor, the auditor shall undertake a closure audit and this process will continue till the remedial measures have brought the maintenance works into compliance with the Specifications and Standards. The Contractor shall provide all assistance as may be required by the auditor in the conduct of its audit hereunder. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Clause 15.3, the external technical audit shall not affect any obligations of the Contractor or the Authority's Engineer under this Agreement.

15.4 Reports of unusual occurrence

The Contractor shall, during the Maintenance Period, prior to the close of each day, send to the Authority and the Authority's Engineer, by facsimile or e- mail, a report stating accidents and unusual occurrences on the Project Highway relating to the safety and security of the Users and Project Highway. A monthly summary of such reports shall also be sent within 3 (three) business days of the closing of month. For the purposes of this Clause 15.4, accidents and unusual occurrences on the Project Highway shall include:

- (a) accident, death or severe injury to any person;
- (b) damaged or dislodged fixed equipment;
- (c) flooding of Project Highway; and
- (d) any other unusual occurrence.

Article 16

Traffic Regulation

16.1 Traffic regulation by the Contractor

- (i) The Contractor shall take all the required measures and make arrangements for the safety of Users during the Construction and Maintenance of the Project Highway or a Section thereof in accordance with the provisions of MORTH Specifications. It shall provide, erect and maintain all such barricades, signs, markings, flags, and lights as may be required by Good Industry Practice for the safety of the traffic passing through the Section under construction or maintenance.
- (ii) All works shall be carried out in a manner creating least interference to traffic passing through the Project Highway or a Section thereof. In sections where construction or maintenance Works on the carriageway are taken up, the Contractor shall ensure that proper passage is provided for the traffic. Where it is not possible or safe to allow traffic on part width of the carriageway, a temporary diversion of proper specifications shall be constructed by the Contractor at its own cost. 'ROBOTS' may be used for diversion and control of traffic during Construction. The Contractor shall take prior approval of the Authority's Engineer for any proposed arrangement for traffic regulation during Construction and Maintenance, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Article 17

Defects Liability

17.1 Defects Liability Period

- (i) The Contractor shall be responsible for all the Defects and deficiencies, except usual wear and tear in the Project Highway or any Section thereof, till the expiry of a period of commencing from the date of Completion Certificate (the “**Defects Liability Period**”) as specified below:
- (a) 5 (five) years from the date of completion in case of a road being constructed with flexible pavement;
 - (b) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of road being constructed with rigid pavement;
 - (c) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of road being constructed with flexible pavement using perpetual design;
 - (d) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of all stand-alone structures, e.g. Major Bridges/ and Tunnels;
 - (e) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion for the stretches where new technology/ material has been/ is proposed to be used.
 - (f) 3 (three) years from the date of completion for stretches requiring renewal of Bituminous Concrete (BC) layer through either using hot-in-place recycling of the entire BC layer or providing a fresh layer of BC with 40mm thickness.
 - (g) 3 (three) years from the date of completion for stretches requiring improvement to riding quality, in cases other than those mentioned in para (f) above, through laying a layer of BM/DBM and BC.

The Defects Liability Period shall commence from the date of the Completion Certificate. For the avoidance of any doubt, any repairs or restoration because of usual wear or tear in the Project Highway or any Section thereof shall form a part of the Maintenance obligations of the Contractor as specified in Article 14.

17.2 Remedying Defects

Save and except as provided in Clause 14.1 (iii), the Contractor shall repair or rectify all Defects and deficiencies observed by the Authority or Authority’s Engineer during the Defects Liability Period within a period of 15 (fifteen) days from the date of notice issued by the Authority or Authority’s Engineer in this behalf, or within such reasonable period as may be determined by the Authority or Authority’s Engineer at the request of the Contractor, in accordance with Good Industry Practice.



17.3 Cost of remedying Defects

Any repair or rectification undertaken in accordance with the provisions of Clause 17.2, including any additional testing, shall be carried out by the Contractor at its own risk and cost, to the extent that such rectification or repair is attributable to:

- (a) the design of the Project;
- (b) Plant, Materials or workmanship not being in accordance with this Agreement and the Specifications and Standards;
- (c) improper maintenance during construction of the Project Highway by the Contractor; and/ or
- (d) failure by the Contractor to comply with any other obligation under this Agreement.

17.4 Contractor's failure to rectify Defects

If the Contractor fails to repair or rectify such Defect or deficiency within the period specified in Clause 17.2, the Authority shall be entitled to get the same repaired, rectified or remedied at the Contractor's cost to make the Project Highway conform to the Specifications and Standards and the provisions of this Agreement. All costs consequent thereon shall, after due consultation with the Authority and the Contractor, be determined by the Authority's Engineer. The cost so determined and an amount equal to 20% (twenty percent) of the cost as Damages shall be recoverable by the Authority from the Contractor and may be deducted by the Authority from any monies due to the Contractor.

17.5 Extension of Defects Liability Period

The Defects Liability Period shall be deemed to be extended till the identified Defects under Clause 17.2 have been remedied or rectified.



Article 18

Authority's Engineer

18.1 Appointment of the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority shall appoint a firm of Consulting Engineers or a Project Monitoring Committee (PMC) substantially in accordance with the selection criteria set forth in Schedule-N, to be the engineer under this Agreement (the "**Authority's Engineer**"). In unavoidable circumstances, Authority may appoint an officer to act as Authority's Engineer until appointment of a Consulting Engineering firm/ Supervision Consultant/ PMC.
- (ii) The officer in-charge of the Authority (e.g. PD/ RO/ CGM/ Member in the case of NHAI; RO/CE/ADG in the case of MoRTH projects executed through the State PWDs; and PD/ED/Director in the case of NHIDCL) is responsible for the overall supervision and monitoring of the execution of project as the representative of the owner of the project. The Authority's Engineer is appointed to assist the Authority for carrying out the functions as detailed under clause 18.2. As such, an officer of the Authority is vested with all such powers and responsibilities as are enjoined upon the Authority's Engineer and is fully competent to issue any instructions for proper monitoring and supervision of the project, either by himself or through the Authority's Engineer. Instructions issued by the concerned officer of the Authority shall have the same effect as that of the Authority's Engineer in terms of this Agreement. Wherever such concerned officer issues any instructions or notice to the Contractor, he shall endorse a copy thereof to the Authority's Engineer.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer should be appointed within 10 days from the date of this Agreement or before declaration of Appointed Date, whichever is earlier. The Authority shall notify the appointment or replacement of the Authority's Engineer to the Contractor.
- (iv) The staff of the Authority's Engineer shall include suitably qualified engineers and other professionals who are competent to assist the Authority's Engineer to carry out its duties.

18.2 Duties and authority of the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall perform the duties and exercise the authority in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and substantially in accordance with the terms of reference ("**Terms of Reference**" or "**TOR**") set forth in Annexure-I of Schedule N, but subject to obtaining prior written approval of the Authority before determining:
 - (a) any Time Extension;
 - (b) any additional cost to be paid by the Authority to the Contractor;

- (c) the Termination Payment;
 - (d) issuance of Completion Certificate; or
 - (e) any other matter which is not specified in (a), (b), (c) or (d) above and which creates financial liability on either Party.
- (ii) No decision or communication of the Authority's Engineer shall be effective or valid unless it is accompanied by an attested true copy of the approval of the Authority for and in respect of any matter specified in Clause 18.2 (i).
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall submit regular periodic reports, at least once every month, to the Authority in respect of its duties and functions under this Agreement. Such reports shall be submitted by the Authority's Engineer within 10 (ten) days of the beginning of every month. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority's Engineer shall include in its report, compliance of the recommendations of the Safety Consultant.

18.3 Delegation by the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority's Engineer may, by order in writing, delegate any of his duties and responsibilities to suitably qualified and experienced personnel who are accountable to Authority's Engineer, or may revoke any such delegation, under intimation to the Authority and the Contractor. Provided, however, that the Authority's Engineer shall be responsible and liable for all actions and omissions of such personnel.
- (ii) Any failure of the Authority's Engineer to disapprove any work, Plant or Materials shall not constitute approval, and shall, therefore, not prejudice the right of the Authority to reject the work, Plant or Materials, which is not in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the Specifications and Standards.
- (iii) Notwithstanding anything stated in Clause 18.3 (i) above, the Authority's Engineer shall not delegate the authority to refer any matter for the Authority's prior approval wherever required in accordance with the provisions of Clause 18.2.

18.4 Instructions of the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority's Engineer may issue instructions for remedying any Defect(s) to the Contractor. The Contractor shall take such instructions from the Authority's Engineer, or from an assistant to whom appropriate authority has been delegated under Clause 18.3.
- (ii) The instructions issued by the Authority's Engineer shall be in writing. However, if the Authority's Engineer issues any oral instructions to the Contractor, it shall confirm the oral instructions in writing within 2 (two) working days of issuing them.
- (iii) In case the Contractor does not receive the confirmation of the oral instructions within the time specified in Clause 18.4 (ii), the Contractor shall seek the written confirmation of the oral instructions from the Authority's Engineer. The Contractor shall obtain

acknowledgement from the Authority's Engineer of the communication seeking written confirmation. In case of failure of the Authority's Engineer or its delegated assistant to reply to the Contractor within 2 (two) days of the receipt of the communication from the Contractor, the Contractor may not carry out the instructions.

- (iv) In case of any dispute on any of the instructions issued by the delegated assistant, the Contractor may refer the dispute to the Authority's Engineer, who shall then confirm, reverse or vary the instructions within 3 (three) business days of the dispute being referred.

18.5 Determination by the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall consult with each Party in an endeavour to reach agreement wherever this Agreement provides for the determination of any matter by the Authority's Engineer. If such agreement is not achieved, the Authority's Engineer shall make a fair determination in accordance with this Agreement having due regard to all relevant circumstances. The Authority's Engineer shall give notice to both the Parties of each agreement or determination, with supporting particulars.
- (ii) Each Party shall give effect to each agreement or determination made by the Authority's Engineer in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Provided, however, that if any Party disputes any instruction, decision, direction or determination of the Authority's Engineer, the Dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure.

18.6 Remuneration of the Authority's Engineer

The remuneration, costs and expenses of the Authority's Engineer shall be paid by the Authority.

18.7 Termination of the Authority's Engineer

- (i) The Authority may, in its discretion, replace the Authority's Engineer at any time. However, the Authority shall ensure that alternative arrangements for appointment of another Authority's Engineer or designation of its own officer as the Authority Engineer for the intervening period are made simultaneously.
- (ii) If the Contractor has reasons to believe that the Authority's Engineer is not discharging its duties and functions in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, it may make a written representation to the Authority and seek termination of the appointment of the Authority's Engineer. Upon receipt of such representation, the Authority shall hold a tripartite meeting with the Contractor and the Authority's Engineer and make best efforts for an amicable resolution of the representation. In the event that the appointment of the Authority's Engineer is terminated hereunder, the Authority shall appoint forthwith another Authority's Engineer in accordance with Clause 18.1 and 18.7 (i).

Part IV

Financial Covenants

Article 19

Payments

19.1 Contract Price

- (i) The Authority shall make payments to the Contractor for the Works on the basis of the lump sum price accepted by the Authority in consideration of the obligations specified in this Agreement for an amount of INR Rs. _____ (INR _____) (the “Contract Price”), which shall be subject to adjustments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that the Contract Price shall not include the GST and cost of Maintenance, which shall be paid separately in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.5 & 19.7. The Parties further agree that save and except as provided in this Agreement, the Contract Price shall be valid and effective until issue of Completion Certificate.
- (ii) The Contract Price includes all duties, taxes, royalty, cess, charges, and fees that may be levied in accordance with the laws and regulations in force as on the Base Date on the Contractor's equipment, Plant, Materials and supplies acquired for the purpose of this Agreement and on the services performed under this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall relieve the Contractor from its responsibility to pay any tax including any tax that may be levied in India on profits made by it in respect of this Agreement.
- (iii) The Contract Price shall not be adjusted for any change in costs stated in Clause 19.1 (ii) above, except as stated in Clauses 19.10 and 19.17.
- (iv) The Contract Price shall not be adjusted to take account of any unforeseen difficulties or costs, unless otherwise provided for in this Agreement.
- (v) Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, the Contract Price covers all the Contractor's obligations for the Works under this Agreement and all things necessary for the Construction and the remedying of any Defects in the Project Highway.
- (vi) All payments under this Agreement shall be made in Indian Rupees.

19.2 Advance Payment

- (i) The Authority shall make an interest-bearing advance payment (the “**Advance Payment**”) @ “**Bank Rate + 3%**”, equal to 10 % (ten percent) of the Contract Price, exclusively for mobilisation expenses. The Advance Payment for mobilisation expenses shall be made in two instalments each equal to 5% (five percent) of the Contract Price. The second 5% (five percent) mobilization advance would be released after submission of utilization certificate by the Contractor for the first 5% (five per cent) advance already released earlier.

- (ii) In addition to above, the Authority shall make an additional interest-bearing Advance Payment against newly purchased key Construction equipment required for the works as per agreed Construction programme and brought to the site, if so requested by the Contractor subject to the same terms and conditions specified for Advance Payment for mobilisation expenses in this Agreement. The maximum of such advance shall be 5% (five per cent) of the Contract Price against Bank Guarantee. This advance shall be further subject to the condition that:
- (a) such new equipment are considered by the Authority's Engineer to be necessary for the works and
 - (b) these new equipment should be procured in the name of Contractor and is verified by Authority's Engineer to have been brought to site.

The Advance Payment for mobilization expenses and for acquisition of key new Construction equipment would be deemed as interest bearing advance at the applicable interest rate (@ "Bank rate + 3%"), to be compounded annually on a reducing balance basis. The interest would be recovered along with the recovery of mobilization Advance Payment as per provision laid down for the mobilization advance recovery.

- (iii) The Contractor may apply to the Authority for the first instalment of the Advance Payment at any time after the Appointed Date, along with an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank for an amount equivalent to 110% (one hundred and ten per cent) of such instalment, substantially in the form provided at Annex-III of Schedule-G, to remain effective till the complete and full repayment thereof.
- (iv) At any time, after 60 (sixty) days from the Appointed Date, the Contractor may apply to the Authority for the second instalment of the Advance Payment along with an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a Bank for an amount equivalent to 110% (one hundred and ten per cent) of such instalment, substantially in the form provided at Annex-III of Schedule-G, to remain effective till the complete and full repayment thereof.

The Contractor has the option of splitting the Bank Guarantee against Advance Payment for mobilization expenses into parts, each not less than 2.75% (two point seven five per cent) of the Contract Price. Each part of the guarantee shall remain effective till full repayment of such part advance corresponding to this bank guarantee. Such part of Bank Guarantee shall be returned to the Contractor on recovery under the Agreement of the full amount of such part guarantee within 30 (thirty) days of the said recovery.

- (v) The Advance Payment shall be paid by the Authority to the Contractor within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of its respective requests in accordance with the provisions of this Clause 19.2.
- (vi) The Advance Payment shall be repaid through percentage deductions from the stage payments determined by the Authority's Engineer in accordance with Clause 19.5, as

follows:

- (a) deductions shall commence in the first Stage Payment Statement;
 - (b) deductions shall be made at the rate of 15% (fifteen percent) of each Stage Payment Statement until such time as the advance payment has been repaid; provided that the advance payment shall be completely repaid prior to the time when 80% (eighty percent) of the Schedule Construction Period is over;
 - (c) if total certified stage payments (excluding the Advance Payment and deductions and repayments of retention) does not exceed 20% (twenty percent) of the Contract Price within [50% of the Scheduled Construction Period] from the Appointed Date then the Advance Payment including interest shall be recovered by encashment of the Bank Guarantee for the Advance Payment.
- (vii) If the Advance Payment has not been fully repaid prior to Termination under Clause 21.7 or Article 23, as the case may be, the whole of the balance then outstanding shall immediately become due and payable by the Contractor to the Authority. Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 19.2 (vi), in the event of Termination for Contractor Default, the Advance Payment shall be deemed to carry interest @ **"Bank Rate+5%"** per annum from the date of Advance Payment to the date of recovery by encashment of the Bank Guarantee for the Advance Payment. For the avoidance of doubt, the aforesaid interest shall be payable on the unrecovered balance.

19.3 Procedure for estimating the payment for the Works

- (i) The Authority shall make interim payments to the Contractor as certified by the Authority's Engineer on completion of a stage, in a length, number or area as specified and valued in accordance with the proportion of the Contract Price assigned to each item and its stage in Schedule-H.
- (ii) The Contractor shall base its claim for interim payment for the stages completed till the end of the month for which the payment is claimed, valued in accordance with Clause 19.3 (i), supported with necessary particulars and documents in accordance with this Agreement.
- (iii) Any reduction in the Contract Price arising out of Change of Scope or the works withdrawn under Clause 8.3 shall not affect the amounts payable for the items or stage payments thereof which are not affected by such Change of Scope or withdrawal. For avoidance of doubt and by way of illustration, the Parties agree that if the amount assigned to Major Bridges is reduced from Rs. 100 crore to Rs. 80 crore owing to Change of Scope or withdrawal of work, the reduction in payment shall be restricted to relevant payments for Major Bridges only and the payment due in respect of all other stage payments under the item Major Bridges shall not be affected in any manner. The Parties further agree that the adjustments arising out of the aforesaid modifications shall be carried out in a manner that the impact of such modifications is

restricted to the said Change of Scope or withdrawal, as the case may be, and does not alter the payments due for and in respect of items or stage payments which do not form part of such Change of Scope or withdrawal.

19.4 Stage Payment Statement for Works

The Contractor shall submit a statement (the “**Stage Payment Statement**”), in 3 (three) copies, by the 7th (seventh) day of the month to the Authority’s Engineer in the form set forth in Schedule-O, showing the amount calculated in accordance with Clause 19.3 to which the Contractor considers himself entitled for completed stage(s) of the Works. The Stage Payment Statement shall be accompanied with the progress reports and any other supporting documents. The Contractor shall not submit any claim for payment of incomplete stages of work.

19.5 Stage Payment for Works

- (i) Within 10 (ten) days of receipt of the Stage Payment Statement from the Contractor pursuant to Clause 19.4, the Authority’s Engineer shall broadly determine the amount due to the Contractor and recommend the release of 90 (ninety) percent of the amount so determined as part payment against the Stage Payment Statement, pending issue of the Interim Payment Certificate by the Authority’s Engineer. Within 10 (ten) days of the receipt of recommendation of the Authority’s Engineer, the Authority shall make electronic payment directly to the Contractor’s bank account.
- (ii) Within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of the Stage Payment Statement referred to in Clause 19.4, the Authority’s Engineer shall determine and shall deliver to the Authority and the Contractor an IPC certifying the amount due and payable to the Contractor, after adjusting the payments already released to the Contractor against the said statement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that the IPC shall specify all the amounts that have been deducted from the Stage Payment Statement and the reasons therefore.
- (iii) In cases where there is a difference of opinion as to the value of any stage, the Authority’s Engineer’s view shall prevail and interim payments shall be made to the Contractor on this basis; provided that the foregoing shall be without prejudice to the Contractor’s right to raise a Dispute.
- (iv) The Authority’s Engineer may, for reasons to be recorded, withhold from payment:
 - (a) the estimated value of work or obligation that the Contractor has failed to perform in accordance with this Agreement and the Authority’s Engineer had notified the Contractor; and
 - (b) the estimated cost of rectification of work done being not in accordance with this Agreement.
- (v) Payment by the Authority shall not be deemed to indicate the Authority’s acceptance, approval, consent or satisfaction with the work done.

- (vi) Goods & Service Tax(GST) Tax (GST) shall be paid to the Contractor along with the stage payment at prevailing rate, however, the Contractor has to submit the proof of deposited GST against their work to the Govt. at the time of submitting next stage payment request failing which the earlier paid GST will be deducted.

19.6 Monthly Maintenance Statement of the Project Highway

- (i) The Contractor shall submit to the Authority's Engineer a monthly maintenance statement ("**Monthly Maintenance Statement**") in 3 (three) copies by the 7th (seventh) day of each month in the format set forth in Schedule-O for the Maintenance of the Project Highway during the previous month.
- (ii) The monthly lump sum amount payable for Maintenance shall be 1/12th (one- twelfth) of the annual cost of Maintenance as specified in Clause 14.1 (i).

19.7 Payment for Maintenance of the Project Highway

- (i) Within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the Monthly Maintenance Statement from the Contractor pursuant to Clause 19.6, the Authority's Engineer shall verify the Contractor's monthly maintenance statement and certify the amount to be paid to the Contractor taking into account:
 - (a) Compliance with the Maintenance Requirements; and
 - (b) reduction for non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirement in accordance with Clause 19.7 (ii).

The Authority's Engineer shall deliver to the Authority an IPC approving or amending the monthly maintenance statement to reflect the amount due to the Contractor in accordance with this Agreement.

- (ii) Maintenance shall be measured in units of one kilometre each; provided, however, that payment thereof shall be made in fixed monthly amounts in accordance with this Agreement. If the Maintenance Requirements set forth in Schedule-E are not met, reduction in payments shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Schedule-M. The reductions for non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirements shall be applied on the basis of monthly inspections by the Authority's Engineer.
- (iii) The deduction made on account of non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirements shall not be subsequently considered for payment after the compliance is achieved by repair or rectification.
- (iv) The Authority shall pay to the Contractor every quarter any amount due under any IPC under this Clause 19.7. The payment shall be made no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of submission of the last IPC for the relevant quarter.

19.8 Payment of Damages

- (i) The Contractor may claim Damages due and payable to it in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall issue the IPC within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of the claim under Clause 19.8 (i), after making adjustments in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. The Authority shall pay to the Contractor the amount due under any IPC within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of the submission of the claim under this Clause 19.8. In the event of the failure of the Authority to make payment to the Contractor within the specified time, the Authority shall be liable to pay to the Contractor interest thereon and the provisions of Clause 19.9 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* thereto.

19.9 Time of payment and interest

- (i) The Authority shall pay to the Contractor any amount due under any payment certificate issued by the Authority's Engineer in accordance with the provisions of this Article 19, or in accordance with any other clause of this Agreement as follows:
 - (a) payment shall be made no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of submission of the Stage Payment Statement by the Contractor to the Authority's Engineer for certification in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.4 for an IPC; provided that, in the event the IPC is not issued by the Authority's Engineer within the aforesaid period of 30 (thirty) days, the Authority shall pay the amount shown in the Contractor's Stage Payment Statement and any discrepancy therein shall be added to, or deducted from, the next payment certificate issued to the Contractor; and
 - (b) payment shall be made no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of submission of the Final Payment Certificate for Works along with the discharge submitted to the Authority's Engineer in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.15 for certification.
- (ii) In the event of the failure of the Authority to make payment to the Contractor within the time period stated in this Clause 19.9, the Authority shall be liable to pay to the Contractor interest @ Bank Rate+ 3% per annum, on all sums remaining unpaid from the date on which the same should have been paid, calculated in accordance with the provisions of sub-Clauses (a) and (b) of Clause 19.9 (i) and till the date of actual payment.

19.10 Price adjustment for the Works

- (i) The amounts payable to the Contractor for Works shall be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of this Clause 19.10
- (ii) Subject to the provisions of Clause 19.10 (iii), the amounts payable to the Contractor for Works, shall be adjusted in the IPC issued by the Authority's Engineer for the

increase or decrease in the index cost of inputs for the Works, by the addition or subtraction of the amounts determined by the formulae prescribed in Clause 19.10 (iv).

(iii) To the extent that full compensation for any increase or decrease in costs to the Contractor is not covered by the provisions of this or other Clauses in this Agreement, the costs and prices payable under this Agreement shall be deemed to include the amounts required to cover the contingency of such other increase or decrease of costs and prices.

(iv) The Contract Price shall be adjusted for increase or decrease in rates and price of labour, cement, steel, Plant, machinery and spares, bitumen, fuel and lubricants, and other material inputs in accordance with the principles, procedures and formulae specified below:

(a) Price adjustment shall be applied on completion of the specified stage of the respective item of work in accordance with Schedule-H;

(b) Adjustment for each item of work/stage shall be made separately;

(c) The following expressions and meanings are assigned to the value of the work done:

RW= Value of work done for the completion of a stage under the following items of Schedule-H:

i. Road works; and

ii. Other works

BR = Value of work done for the completion of a stage under the items Major Bridges and Structures (Schedule-H)

(d) Price adjustment for changes in cost shall be paid in accordance with the following formulae:

(i) $VRW = 0.85RWx[PLx(LI-LO)/LO + PAx(AI-AO)/AO + PFx(FI-FO)/FO + PBx(BI-BO)/BO + PMx(MI-MO)/MO + PCx(CI-CO)/CO + PSx(SI-SO)/SO]$

(ii) $VBR = 0.85BRx[PLx(LI-LO)/LO + PAx(AI-AO)/AO + PFx(FI-FO)/FO + PMx(MI-MO)/MO + PCx(CI-CO)/CO + PSx(SI-SO)/SO]$

Where,

VRW = Increase or decrease in the cost of road works/other works during the period under consideration due to changes in the rates for relevant components as stated in sub-paragraph (e).

VBR = Increase or decrease in the cost of Major Bridges and Structures during the period under consideration due to changes in the rates for relevant components as stated in sub-paragraph (e).

PB, PC, PL, PM, and PS are the percentages of bitumen, cement, labour, other materials, and steel/components (including strands and cables) respectively for the relevant item as stated in sub-paragraph (e).

PA is the percentage of Plant, machinery and spares component for the relevant item as stated in sub-paragraph (e).

PF is the percentage of fuel and lubricants for the relevant items as stated in sub-paragraph (e).

A_0 = The wholesale price index as published by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India (hereinafter called "WPI") for "Manufacture of machinery for mining, quarrying and construction" for the month of the Base Date.

A_1 = The WPI for construction machinery for the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

B_0 = The official retail price of bitumen at the nearest refinery on the Base Date.

B_1 = The official retail price of bitumen at nearest refinery on the first day of the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

C_0 = The WPI for Ordinary Portland Cement for the month of the Base Date.

C_1 = The WPI for Ordinary Portland Cement for the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

F_0 = The official retail price of high speed diesel (HSD) oil at the existing consumer pumps of Indian Oil Corporation ("IOC") in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on the Base Date.

F_1 = The official retail price of HSD at the existing consumer pumps of IOC in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on the first day of the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

L_0 = The consumer price index for industrial workers for the wherein the project is being executed, published by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour, Government of India, (hereinafter called "CPI") for the month of the Base Date.

L_1 = The CPI for the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

M_0 = The WPI for all commodities for the month of the Base Date.

M_1 = The WPI for all commodities for the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

S_0 = The WPI for Mild Steel –Long Products for the month of the Base Date.

S_1 = The WPI for Mild Steel –Long Products for the month three months prior to the month to which the IPC relates.

(e) The following percentages shall govern the price adjustment of the Contract Price:

Component	Item				
	Road Works				Major Bridges and Structures
	Earthwork, Granular work, and Other works	Bituminous work	Cement Concrete Pavement	Culverts, minor bridges and other structures	
Labour (PL)	[20%]	[20%]	[20%]	[15%]	[15%]
Cement (PC)	[5%]	Nil	[20%]	[15%]	[15%]
Steel (PS)	Nil	Nil	Nil	[15%]	[20%]
Bitumen (PB)	Nil	[15%]	Nil	Nil	Nil
Fuel and lubricants (PF)	[10%]	[10%]	[10%]	[10%]	[10%]
Other Materials (PM)	[50%]	[40%]	[35%]	[30%]	[25%]
Plant, machinery and spares. (PA)	[15%]	[15%]	[15%]	[15%]	[15%]
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

19.11 Restrictions on price adjustment

Price adjustment shall be due and payable only in respect of the stages of Works for which the Stage Payment Statement has been submitted by the Contractor no later than 30 (thirty) days from the date of the applicable Project Milestone or the Scheduled Completion Date, as the case may be, including any Time Extension granted therefore in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event of submission of any Stage Payment Statement after the period specified herein, price adjustment shall be applicable until the date of the respective Project Milestone or the Scheduled Completion Date, as the case may be.

19.12 Price adjustment for Maintenance of Project Highway

Lump sum payment for Maintenance shall be adjusted every quarter for changes in rates and prices of various inputs in accordance with the formula given below:

$$V = P \times \frac{W_t - W_b}{W_b}$$

Where

- V= Increase or decrease in the quarterly lump sum payment
P= Quarterly lump sum payment due to the Contractor after adjusting any reduction in payment for non-compliance of the Maintenance Requirements
W₀= The wholesale price index (all commodities) for the month of the Base Date.
W₁= The wholesale price index (all commodities) for the first day of the quarter under consideration for determining the price adjustment.

19.13 Final Payment Statement

(i) Within 60 (sixty) days after receiving the Completion Certificate under Clause 12.2, the Contractor shall submit to the Authority's Engineer for consideration 6 (six) copies of a Final Payment Statement (the "**Final Payment Statement**") for Works, with supporting documents showing in detail, in the form prescribed by the Authority's Engineer:

- (a) the summary of Contractor's Stage Payment claims for Works as submitted in accordance with Clause 19.4;
- (b) the amounts received from the Authority against each claim; and
- (c) any further sums which the Contractor considers due to it from the Authority.

If the Authority's Engineer disagrees with or cannot verify any part of the Final Payment Statement, the Contractor shall submit such further information as the Authority's Engineer may reasonably require. The Authority's Engineer shall deliver to the Authority:

- i. an IPC for those parts of the Final Payment Statement which are not in dispute, along with a list of disputed items which shall then be settled in accordance with the provisions of Article 26; or
- ii. a Final Payment Certificate in accordance with Clause 19.15 if there are no disputed items.

(ii) If the Authority's Engineer does not prescribe the form referred to in Clause 19.13 (i) within 15 (fifteen) of the date of issue of the Completion Certificate, the Contractor shall submit the statement in such form as it deems fit.

19.14 Discharge

Upon submission of the Final Payment Statement for Works under Clause 19.13, the Contractor shall give to the Authority, with a copy to the Authority's Engineer, a written discharge confirming that the total of the Final Payment Statement represents full and final settlement of all monies due to the Contractor in respect of this Agreement for all the Works arising out of this Agreement, except for any monies due to either Party on account of any Defect. Provided that such discharge shall become effective only after the payment due has been made in accordance with the Final Payment Certificate issued pursuant to Clause 19.15.

19.15 Final Payment Certificate

- (i) Within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of the Final Payment Statement for Works under Clause 19.13, and the written discharge under Clause 19.14, and there being no disputed items of claim, the Authority's Engineer shall deliver to the Authority, with a copy to the Contractor, a final payment certificate (the "**Final Payment Certificate**") stating the amount which, in the opinion of the Authority's Engineer, is finally due under this Agreement or otherwise. For the avoidance of doubt, before issuing the Final Payment Certificate, the Authority's Engineer shall ascertain from the Authority all amounts previously paid by the Authority and for all sums to which the Authority is entitled, the balance, if any, due from the Authority to the Contractor or from the Contractor to the Authority, as the case may be.
- (ii) The Authority shall, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.9, pay to the Contractor the amount which is stated as being finally due in the Final Payment Certificate.

19.16 Final payment statement for Maintenance

- (i) Within 30 (thirty) days after completion of the Maintenance Period, the Contractor shall submit to the Authority's Engineer 6 (six) copies of the final payment statement for Maintenance of the Project Highway, with supporting documents showing the details set forth below in the form prescribed by the Authority's Engineer:
 - (a) the total amount claimed in accordance with clause 19.7 (i) and
 - (b) any sums which the Contractor considers to be due to it, with supporting documents.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall certify final payment within 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of the final payment statement of Maintenance under Clause 19.16 (i), segregating the items of amount payable from the items of amount disallowed. The Authority shall make payment on the basis of the final payment authorised by the Authority's Engineer within a period of 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of the Final Payment Statement from the Authority's Engineer.
- (iii) If the Authority's Engineer does not prescribe the form within 15 (fifteen) days of the date of issue of the Completion Certificate, the Contractor shall submit the statement in such form as it deems fit.

19.17 Change in law

- (i) If as a result of Change in Law, the Contractor suffers any additional costs in the execution of the Works or in relation to the performance of its other obligations under this Agreement, the Contractor shall, within 15 (fifteen) days from the date it becomes reasonably aware of such addition in cost, notify the Authority with a copy to the Authority's Engineer of such additional cost due to Change in Law.
- (ii) If as a result of Change in Law, the Contractor benefits from any reduction in costs for the execution of this Agreement or in accordance with the provisions of this

Agreement, either Party shall, within 15 (fifteen) days from the date it becomes reasonably aware of such reduction in cost, notify the other Party with a copy to the Authority's Engineer of such reduction in cost due to Change in Law.

- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall, within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of receipt of the notice from the Contractor or the Authority, determine any addition or reduction to the Contract Price, as the case may be, due to the Change in Law.

19.18 Correction of Interim Payment Certificates

The Authority's Engineer may by an Interim Payment Certificate make any correction or modification in any previous Interim Payment Certificate issued by the Authority's Engineer.

19.19 Authority's claims

If the Authority considers itself to be entitled to any payment from the Contractor under any Clause of this Agreement, it shall give notice and particulars to the Contractor 20 (twenty) days before making the recovery from any amount due to the Contractor, and shall take into consideration the representation, if any, made by the Contractor in this behalf, before making such recovery.

19.20 Bonus for early completion

In the event that the Project Completion Date occurs prior to the Scheduled Completion Date, the Contractor shall be entitled to receive a payment of bonus equivalent to 0.03% (zero point zero three per cent) of the Contract Price for each day by which the Project Completion Date precedes the Scheduled Completion Date, but subject to a maximum of 5% (five per cent) of the Contract Price. Provided, however, that the payment of bonus, if any, shall be made only after the issue of the Completion Certificate. For the avoidance of the doubt, the Parties agree that for the purpose of determining the bonus payable hereunder, the works shall always be deemed to be as specified in this Contract Agreement but excluding the works deemed to be deleted from the scope of work under clause 8.3 of this Contract Agreement and the Contract Price shall always be deemed to be the amount specified in Clause 19.1 (i) after excluding the Contract Price of the Works deemed to be deleted from the Scope of Work under clause 8.3 of this Contract Agreement, and shall exclude any revision thereof for any reason. The Parties also agree that bonus shall be payable only if each work for which Time Extension has been granted is completed within respective Extended Time.

Article 20

Insurance

20.1 Insurance for Works and Maintenance

- (i) The Contractor shall effect and maintain at its own cost the insurances specified in Schedule-P and as per the requirements under the Applicable Laws.
- (ii) Subject to the provisions of Clause 21.6, the Authority and the Contractor shall, in accordance with its obligations as provided for in this Agreement, be liable to bear the cost of any loss or damage that does not fall within the scope of this Article 20 or cannot be recovered from the insurers.
- (iii) Subject to the exceptions specified in Clause 20.1 (iv) below, the Contractor shall, save and except as provided for in this Agreement, fully indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Authority from and against any and all losses, damages, costs, charges and/or claims with respect to:
 - (a) the death of or injury to any person; or
 - (b) the loss of or damage to any property (other than the Works);
that may arise out of or in consequence of any breach by the Contractor of this Agreement during the execution of the Works or the remedying of any Defects therein.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything stated above in Clause 20.1 (iii), the Authority shall fully indemnify the Contractor from and against any and all losses, damages, costs, charges, proceedings and/or claims arising out of or with respect to:
 - (a) the use or occupation of land or any part thereof by the Authority;
 - (b) the right of the Authority to execute the Works, or any part thereof, on, over, under, in or through any land;
 - (c) the damage to property which is the unavoidable result of the execution and completion of the Works, or the remedying of any Defects therein, in accordance with this Agreement; and
 - (d) the death of or injury to persons or loss of or damage to property resulting from any act or neglect of the Authority, its agents, servants or other contractors, not being employed by the Contractor.

Provided that, in the event of any injury or damage as a result of the contributory negligence of the Contractor, the Authority shall be liable to indemnify the Contractor from and against any and all losses, damages, costs, charges, proceedings and/or claims to the extent as may be proportionately determined to be the liability of the Authority, its servants or agents or other contractors not associated with the Contractor in such injury or damage.



- (v) Without prejudice to the obligations of the Parties as specified under Clauses 20.1 (iii) and 20.1 (iv), the Contractor shall maintain or effect such third party insurances as may be required under the Applicable Laws.
- (vi) The Contractor shall provide to the Authority, within 30 days of the Appointed Date, evidence of professional liability insurance maintained by its Design Director and/or consultants to cover the risk of professional negligence in the design of Works. The professional liability coverage shall be for a sum of not less than [3% (three per cent)] of the Contract Price and shall be maintained until the end of the Defects Liability Period.

20.2 Notice to the Authority

No later than 15 (fifteen) days after the date of this Agreement, the Contractor shall by notice furnish to the Authority, in reasonable detail, information in respect of the insurances that it proposes to effect and maintain in accordance with this Article 20. Within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of such notice, the Authority may require the Contractor to effect and maintain such other insurances as may be necessary pursuant hereto, and in the event of any difference or disagreement relating to any such insurance, the Dispute Resolution Procedure shall apply.

20.3 Evidence of Insurance Cover

- (i) All insurances obtained by the Contractor in accordance with this Article 20 shall be maintained with insurers on terms consistent with Good Industry Practice. Within 10 (ten) days from the Appointed Date, the Contractor shall furnish to the Authority notarised true copies of the certificate(s) of insurance, copies of insurance policies and premia payment receipts in respect of such insurance, and no such insurance shall be cancelled, modified, or allowed to expire or lapse until the expiration of at least 45 (forty-five) days after notice of such proposed cancellation, modification or non-renewal has been delivered by the Contractor to the Authority. The Contractor shall act in accordance with the directions of the Authority. Provided that the Contractor shall produce to the Authority the insurance policies in force and the receipts for payment of the current premia.
- (ii) The Contractor shall ensure the adequacy of the insurances at all times in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

20.4 Remedy for failure to insure

If the Contractor shall fail to effect and keep in force all insurances for which it is responsible pursuant hereto, the Authority shall have the option to either keep in force any such insurances, and pay such premia and recover the costs thereof from the Contractor, or in the event of computation of a Termination Payment, treat an amount equal to the Insurance Cover as deemed to have been received by the Contractor.



20.5 Waiver of subrogation

All insurance policies in respect of the insurance obtained by the Contractor pursuant to this Article 20 shall include a waiver of any and all rights of subrogation or recovery of the insurers thereunder against, inter alia, the Authority, and its assigns, successors, undertakings and their subsidiaries, Affiliates, employees, insurers and underwriters, and of any right of the insurers to any set-off or counterclaim or any other deduction, whether by attachment or otherwise, in respect of any liability of any such person insured under any such policy or in any way connected with any loss, liability or obligation covered by such policies of insurance.

20.6 Contractor's waiver

The Contractor hereby further releases, assigns and waives any and all rights of subrogation or recovery against, inter alia, the Authority and its assigns, undertakings and their subsidiaries, Affiliates, employees, successors, insurers and underwriters, which the Contractor may otherwise have or acquire in or from or in any way connected with any loss, liability or obligation covered by policies of insurance maintained or required to be maintained by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement (other than third party liability insurance policies) or because of deductible clauses in or inadequacy of limits of any such policies of insurance.

20.7 Cross liabilities

Any such insurance maintained or effected in pursuance of this Article 20 shall include a cross liability clause such that the insurance shall apply to the Contractor and to the Authority as separately insured.

20.8 Accident or injury to workmen

Notwithstanding anything stated in this Agreement, it is hereby expressly agreed between the Parties that the Authority shall not be liable for or in respect of any damages or compensation payable to any workman or other person in the employment of the Contractor or Sub-contractor, save and except as for death or injury resulting from any act, omission or willful default of the Authority, its agents or servants. The Contractor shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Authority from and against all such claims, proceedings, damages, costs, charges, and expenses whatsoever in respect of the above save and except for those acts, omissions or willful defaults for which the Authority shall be liable.

20.9 Insurance against accident to workmen

The Contractor shall effect and maintain during the Agreement such insurances as may be required to insure the Contractor's personnel and any other persons employed by it on the Project Highway from and against any liability incurred in pursuance of this Article 20. Provided that for the purposes of this Clause 20.9, the

Contractor's personnel/any person employed by the Contractor shall include the Sub-contractor and its personnel. It is further provided that, in respect of any persons employed by any Sub-contractor, the Contractor's obligations to insure as aforesaid under this Clause 20.9 shall be discharged if the Sub-contractor shall have insured against any liability in respect of such persons in such manner that the Authority is indemnified under the policy. The Contractor shall require such Sub-contractor to produce before the Authority, when required, such policy of insurance and the receipt for payment of the current premium within 10 (ten) days of such demand being made by the Authority.

20.10 Application of insurance proceeds

The proceeds from all insurance claims, except for life and injury, shall be applied for any necessary repair, reconstruction, reinstatement, replacement, improvement, delivery or installation of the Project Highway and the provisions of this Agreement in respect of construction of works shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the works undertaken out of the proceeds of insurance.

20.11 Compliance with policy conditions

Each Party hereby expressly agrees to fully indemnify the other Party from and against all losses and claims arising from its failure to comply with conditions imposed by the insurance policies effected in accordance with this Agreement.

20.12 General Requirements of Insurance Policies

The Contractor must:

- (a) immediately deposit copies of the policies or certificates of any insurance which it is required to effect under the Contract, together with receipts for the premiums;
- (b) effect all insurances for which the Contractor is responsible with an insurer approved by the Authority;
- (c) make no material changes to the terms of any insurance without the Authority's approval;
- (d) in all respects comply with any conditions stipulated in the insurance policies which the Contractor is required to effect under the Agreement or which the Authority has effected in relation to the Facility and notified to the Contractor; and shall provide all assistance to the Authority in the application for, and finalization of, such comprehensive insurance package;
- (e) regardless of the extent of settlement of claims by the underwriters or the time taken for settlement of claims, the Contractor shall make good any loss, or damage at its own cost promptly;
- (f) provide all assistance to the Authority in the application for, and finalization

of, such comprehensive insurance package;

- (g) pay the Contractor's share of the insurance premiums for insurance premiums allocated under such comprehensive insurance package policy to the insurances directly to the insurance provider promptly on demand. In case the Contractor fails to make such payment in time, the Authority may elect to pay the Contractor's share and adjust it against amounts payable to the Contractor under this Agreement;
- (h) in the case of occurrence of any event leading to an insurance claim, promptly follow the procedures specified by the insurance provider, and provide full cooperation and access to the insurance provider or its representative, to settle the claim expeditiously;
- (i) require all the Sub-Contractors providing equipment and materials or services to the Contractor or the Authority to obtain, maintain and keep in force during the time in which they are involved in the performance of the Works hereunder insurance coverage consistent with the Contractor's insurance obligations hereunder and the Contractor shall also be responsible for fulfillment of this requirement; and
- (j) the required insurance coverage and the Contractor's obligations-referred to shall in no way affect or limit the Contractor's liability with respect to its performance of the Works. Nothing in this Section shall limit or relieve the Contractor of its liabilities and obligations under this Agreement.

Part V

Force Majeure and Termination

Article 21

Force Majeure

21.1 Force Majeure

As used in this Agreement, the expression “**Force Majeure**” or “**Force Majeure Event**” shall mean occurrence in India of any or all of Non-Political Event, Indirect Political Event and Political Event, as defined in Clauses 21.2, 21.3 and 21.4 respectively, if it affects the performance by the Party claiming the benefit of Force Majeure (the “**Affected Party**”) of its obligations under this Agreement and which act or event (i) is beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party, and (ii) the Affected Party could not have prevented or overcome by exercise of due diligence and following Good Industry Practice, and (iii) has Material Adverse Effect on the Affected Party.

21.2 Non-Political Event

A Non-Political Event shall mean one or more of the following acts or events:

- (a) act of God, epidemic, extremely adverse weather conditions, lightning, earthquake, landslide, cyclone, flood, volcanic eruption, chemical or radioactive contamination or ionising radiation, fire or explosion (to the extent of contamination or radiation or fire or explosion originating from a source external to the Site);
- (b) strikes or boycotts (other than those involving the Contractor, Sub- contractors or their respective employees/ representatives, or attributable to any act or omission of any of them) interrupting supplies and services to the Project Highway for a continuous period of 24 (twenty-four) hours and an aggregate period exceeding 10 (ten) days in an Accounting Year, and not being an Indirect Political Event set forth in Clause 21.3;
- (c) any failure or delay of a Sub-contractor but only to the extent caused by another Non-Political Event;
- (d) any judgment or order of any court of competent jurisdiction or statutory authority made against the Contractor in any proceedings for reasons other than (i) failure of the Contractor to comply with any Applicable Law or Applicable Permit, or (ii) on account of breach of any Applicable Law or Applicable Permit or of any contract, or (iii) enforcement of this Agreement, or (iv) exercise of any of its rights under this Agreement by the Authority;
- (e) the discovery of geological conditions, toxic contamination or archaeological remains on the Site that could not reasonably have been expected to be discovered through a site inspection; or
- (f) any event or circumstances of a nature analogous to any of the foregoing.

21.3 Indirect Political Event

An Indirect Political Event shall mean one or more of the following acts or events:

- (a) an act of war (whether declared or undeclared), invasion, armed conflict or act of foreign enemy, blockade, embargo, riot, insurrection, terrorist or military action, civil commotion or politically motivated sabotage;
- (b) industry-wide or State-wide strikes or industrial action for a continuous period of 24 (twenty-four) hours and exceeding an aggregate period of 10 (ten) days in an Accounting Year;
- (c) any civil commotion, boycott or political agitation which prevents construction of the Project Highway by the Contractor for an aggregate period exceeding 10 (ten) days in an Accounting Year;
- (d) any failure or delay of a Sub-contractor to the extent caused by any Indirect Political Event;
- (e) any Indirect Political Event that causes a Non-Political Event; or
- (f) any event or circumstances of a nature analogous to any of the foregoing.

21.4 Political Event

A Political Event shall mean one or more of the following acts or events by or on account of any Government Instrumentality:

- (a) Change in Law, only if consequences thereof cannot be dealt with under and in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.17;
- (b) compulsory acquisition in national interest or expropriation of any Project Assets or rights of the Contractor or of the Sub-Contractors;
- (c) unlawful or unauthorised or without jurisdiction revocation of, or refusal to renew or grant without valid cause, any clearance, licence, permit, authorisation, no objection certificate, consent, approval or exemption required by the Contractor or any of the Sub-contractors to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement; provided that such delay, modification, denial, refusal or revocation did not result from the Contractor's or any Sub-contractor's inability or failure to comply with any condition relating to grant, maintenance or renewal of such clearance, licence, authorisation, no objection certificate, exemption, consent, approval or permit;
- (d) any failure or delay of a Sub-contractor but only to the extent caused by another Political Event; or
- (e) any event or circumstances of a nature analogous to any of the foregoing.

21.5 Duty to report Force Majeure Event

- (i) Upon occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, the Affected Party shall by notice report such occurrence to the other Party forthwith. Any notice pursuant thereto shall include

full particulars of:

- (a) the nature and extent of each Force Majeure Event which is the subject of any claim for relief under this Article 21 with evidence in support thereof;
 - (b) the estimated duration and the effect or probable effect which such Force Majeure Event is having or will have on the Affected Party's performance of its obligations under this Agreement;
 - (c) the measures which the Affected Party is taking or proposes to take for alleviating the impact of such Force Majeure Event; and
 - (d) any other information relevant to the Affected Party's claim.
- (ii) The Affected Party shall not be entitled to any relief for or in respect of a Force Majeure Event unless it shall have notified the other Party of the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any event no later than 10 (ten) days after the Affected Party knew, or ought reasonably to have known, of its occurrence, and shall have given particulars of the probable material effect that the Force Majeure Event is likely to have on the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- (iii) For so long as the Affected Party continues to claim to be materially affected by such Force Majeure Event, it shall provide the other Party with regular (and not less than weekly) reports containing information as required by Clause 21.5 (i), and such other information as the other Party may reasonably request the Affected Party to provide.

21.6 Effect of Force Majeure Event on the Agreement

- (i) Upon the occurrence of any Force Majeure after the Appointed Date, the costs incurred and attributable to such event and directly relating to this Agreement (the "**Force Majeure costs**") shall be allocated and paid as follows:
- (a) upon occurrence of a Non-Political Event, the Parties shall bear their respective Force Majeure costs and neither Party shall be required to pay to the other Party any costs thereof;
 - (b) upon occurrence of an Indirect Political Event, all Force Majeure costs attributable to such Indirect Political Event, and not exceeding the Insurance Cover for such Indirect Political Event, shall be borne by the Contractor, and to the extent Force Majeure costs exceed such Insurance Cover, one half of such excess amount shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor for the Force Majeure events; and
 - (c) upon occurrence of a Political Event, all Force Majeure costs attributable to such Political Event shall be reimbursed by the Authority to the Contractor.
 - (d) For the avoidance of doubt, Force Majeure costs may include costs directly attributable to the Force Majeure Event, but shall not include debt repayment obligations, if any, of the Contractor.
- (ii) Save and except as expressly provided in this Article 21, neither Party shall be liable in any manner whatsoever to the other Party in respect of any loss, damage, cost,

expense, claims, demands and proceedings relating to or arising out of occurrence or existence of any Force Majeure Event or exercise of any right pursuant hereto.

- (iii) Upon the occurrence of any Force Majeure Event during the Construction Period, the Project Completion Schedule for and in respect of the affected Works shall be extended on a day for day basis for such period as performance of the Contractor's obligations is affected on account of the Force Majeure Event or its subsisting effects.

21.7 Termination Notice for Force Majeure Event

- (i) If a Force Majeure Event subsists for a period of 60 (sixty) days or more within a continuous period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days, either Party may in its discretion terminate this Agreement by issuing a Termination Notice to the other Party without being liable in any manner whatsoever, save as provided in this Article 21, and upon issue of such Termination Notice, this Agreement shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, stand terminated forthwith; provided that before issuing such Termination Notice, the Party intending to issue the Termination Notice shall inform the other Party of such intention and grant 15 (fifteen) days' time to make a representation, and may after the expiry of such 15 (fifteen) days period, whether or not it is in receipt of such representation, in its sole discretion issue the Termination Notice.

21.8 Termination Payment for Force Majeure Event

- (i) In the event of this Agreement being terminated on account of a Non-Political Event, the Termination Payment shall be an amount equal to the sum payable under Clause 23.5.

Provided that in the event Termination occurs during the Maintenance Period, the Authority's Engineer shall only determine the value of Works associated with Maintenance.

- (ii) If Termination is on account of an Indirect Political Event, the Termination Payment shall include:
 - (a) any sums due and payable under Clause 23.5; and
 - (b) the reasonable cost, as determined by the Authority's Engineer, of the Plant and Materials procured by the Contractor and transferred to the Authority for use in Construction or Maintenance, only if such Plant and Materials are in conformity with the Specifications and Standards;

Provided that in the event Termination occurs during the Maintenance Period, the Authority's Engineer shall only determine the value of Works associated with Maintenance.

- (iii) If Termination is on account of a Political Event, the Authority shall make a Termination Payment to the Contractor in an amount that would be payable under

Clause 23.6 (ii) as if it were an Authority Default.

21.9 Dispute resolution

In the event that the Parties are unable to agree in good faith about the occurrence or existence of a Force Majeure Event, such Dispute shall be finally settled in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedure; provided that the burden of proof as to the occurrence or existence of such Force Majeure Event shall be upon the Party claiming relief and/ or excuse on account of such Force Majeure Event.

21.10 Excuse from performance of obligations

If the Affected Party is rendered wholly or partially unable to perform its obligations under this Agreement because of a Force Majeure Event, it shall be excused from performance of such of its obligations to the extent it is unable to perform on account of such Force Majeure Event; provided that:

- (a) the suspension of performance shall be of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is reasonably required by the Force Majeure Event;
- (b) the Affected Party shall make all reasonable efforts to mitigate or limit damage to the other Party arising out of or as a result of the existence or occurrence of such Force Majeure Event and to cure the same with due diligence; and
- (c) when the Affected Party is able to resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement, it shall give to the other Party notice to that effect and shall promptly resume performance of its obligations hereunder.

Article 22

Suspension of Contractor's Rights

22.1 Suspension upon Contractor Default

Upon occurrence of a Contractor Default, the Authority shall be entitled, without prejudice to its other rights and remedies under this Agreement including its rights of Termination hereunder, to (i) suspend carrying out of the Works or Maintenance or any part thereof, and (ii) carry out such Works or Maintenance itself or authorise any other person to exercise or perform the same on its behalf during such suspension (the "**Suspension**"). Suspension hereunder shall be effective forthwith upon issue of notice by the Authority to the Contractor and may extend up to a period not exceeding 90 (ninety) days from the date of issue of such notice.

22.2 Authority to act on behalf of Contractor

During the period of Suspension hereunder, all rights and liabilities vested in the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall continue to vest therein and all things done or actions taken, including expenditure incurred by the Authority for discharging the obligations of the Contractor under and in accordance with this Agreement shall be deemed to have been done or taken for and on behalf of the Contractor and the Contractor undertakes to indemnify the Authority for all costs incurred during such period. The Contractor hereby licences and sub-licences respectively, the Authority or any other person authorised by it under Clause 22.1 to use during Suspension, all Intellectual Property belonging to or licensed to the Contractor with respect to the Project Highway and its design, engineering, construction and maintenance, and which is used or created by the Contractor in performing its obligations under the Agreement.

22.3 Revocation of Suspension

- (i) In the event that the Authority shall have rectified or removed the cause of Suspension within a period not exceeding 60 (sixty) days from the date of Suspension, it shall revoke the Suspension forthwith and restore all rights of the Contractor under this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties expressly agree that the Authority may, in its discretion, revoke the Suspension at any time, whether or not the cause of Suspension has been rectified or removed hereunder.
- (ii) Upon the Contractor having cured the Contractor Default within a period not exceeding 60 (sixty) days from the date of Suspension, the Authority shall revoke the Suspension forthwith and restore all rights of the Contractor under this Agreement.

22.4 Termination

- (i) At any time during the period of Suspension under this Article 22, the Contractor may by notice require the Authority to revoke the Suspension and issue a Termination

Notice. The Authority shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of such notice, terminate this Agreement under and in accordance with Article 23.

- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in the event that Suspension is not revoked within 90 (ninety) days from the date of Suspension hereunder, the Agreement shall, upon expiry of the aforesaid period, be deemed to have been terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties and all the provisions of this Agreement shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to such Termination as if a Termination Notice had been issued by the Authority upon occurrence of a Contractor Default.

Article 23

Termination

23.1 Termination for Contractor Default

- (i) Save as otherwise provided in this Agreement, in the event that any of the defaults specified below shall have occurred, and the Contractor fails to cure the default within the Cure Period set forth below, or where no Cure Period is specified, then within a Cure Period of 60 (sixty) days, the Contractor shall be deemed to be in default of this Agreement (the “**Contractor Default**”), unless the default has occurred solely as a result of any breach of this Agreement by the Authority or due to Force Majeure. The defaults referred to herein shall include:
- (a) the Contractor fails to provide, extend or replenish, as the case may be, the Performance Security in accordance with this Agreement;
 - (b) after the replenishment or furnishing of fresh Performance Security in accordance with Clause 7.3, the Contractor fails to cure, within a Cure Period of 30 (thirty) days, the Contractor Default for which the whole or part of the Performance Security was appropriated;
 - (c) the Contractor does not achieve the latest outstanding Project Milestone due in accordance with the provisions of Schedule-J, subject to any Time Extension, and continues to be in default for 45 (forty five) days;
 - (d) the Contractor abandons or manifests intention to abandon the construction or Maintenance of the Project Highway without the prior written consent of the Authority;
 - (e) the Contractor fails to proceed with the Works in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.1 or stops Works and/or the Maintenance for 30 (thirty) days without reflecting the same in the current programme and such stoppage has not been authorised by the Authority’s Engineer;
 - (f) the Project Completion Date does not occur within the period specified in Schedule-J for the Scheduled Completion Date, or any extension thereof;
 - (g) the Contractor fails to rectify any Defect, the non-rectification of which shall have a Material Adverse Effect on the Project, within the time specified in this Agreement or as directed by the Authority’s Engineer;
 - (h) the Contractor subcontracts the Works or any part thereof in violation of this Agreement or assigns any part of the Works or the Maintenance without the prior approval of the Authority;
 - (i) the Contractor creates any Encumbrance in breach of this Agreement;
 - (j) an execution levied on any of the assets of the Contractor has caused a Material Adverse Effect;

- (k) the Contractor is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed for the Contractor or for the whole or material part of its assets that has a material bearing on the Project;
- (l) the Contractor has been, or is in the process of being liquidated, dissolved, wound-up, amalgamated or reconstituted in a manner that would cause, in the reasonable opinion of the Authority, a Material Adverse Effect;
- (m) a resolution for winding up or insolvency of the Contractor is passed, or any petition for winding up or insolvency of the Contractor is admitted by a court of competent jurisdiction and a provisional liquidator or receiver or interim resolution professional, as the case may be, is appointed and such order has not been set aside within 90 (ninety) days of the date thereof or the Contractor is ordered to be wound up by court except for the purpose of amalgamation or reconstruction; provided that, as part of such amalgamation or reconstruction, the entire property, assets and undertaking of the Contractor are transferred to the amalgamated or reconstructed entity and that the amalgamated or reconstructed entity has unconditionally assumed the obligations of the Contractor under this Agreement; and provided that:
 - i. the amalgamated or reconstructed entity has the capability and experience necessary for the performance of its obligations under this Agreement; and
 - ii. the amalgamated or reconstructed entity has the financial standing to perform its obligations under this Agreement and has a credit worthiness at least as good as that of the Contractor as at the Appointed Date;
- (n) any representation or warranty of the Contractor herein contained which is, as of the date hereof, found to be false or the Contractor is at any time hereafter found to be in breach or non-compliance thereof;
- (o) the Contractor submits to the Authority any statement, notice or other document, in written or electronic form, which has a material effect on the Authority's rights, obligations or interests and which is false in material particulars;
- (p) the Contractor has failed to fulfil any obligation, for which failure Termination has been specified in this Agreement; or
- (q) the Contractor commits a default in complying with any other provision of this Agreement if such a default causes a Material Adverse Effect on the Project or on the Authority.
- (r) gives or offers to give (directly or indirectly) to any person any bribe, gift, gratuity, commission or other thing of value, as an inducement or reward:
 - i. for doing or forbearing to do any action in relation to the Contract, or
 - ii. for showing or forbearing to show favour or disfavour to any person in relation to the Contract,

or if any of the Contractor's personnel, agents or subcontractors gives or offers to give (directly or indirectly) to any person any such inducement or reward as is described in this sub-paragraph (s). However, lawful inducements and rewards to Contractor's Personnel shall not entitle termination.

- (ii) Without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which the Authority may have under this Agreement, upon occurrence of a Contractor Default, the Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by issuing a Termination Notice to the Contractor; provided that before issuing the Termination Notice, the Authority shall by a notice inform the Contractor of its intention to issue such Termination Notice and grant 15 (fifteen) days to the Contractor to make a representation, and may after the expiry of such 15 (fifteen) days, whether or not it is in receipt of such representation, issue the Termination Notice.
- (iii) The following shall apply in respect of cure of any of the defaults and/ or breaches of the Agreement:
 - (a) The Cure Period shall commence from the date of the notice by the Authority to the Contractor asking the latter to cure the breach or default specified in such notice;
 - (b) The Cure Period provided in the Agreement shall not relieve the Contractor from liability for Damages caused by its breach or default;
 - (c) The Cure Period shall not in any way be extended by any period of suspension under the Agreement;
 - (d) If the cure of any breach by the Contractor requires any reasonable action by the Contractor that must be approved by the Authority hereunder the applicable Cure Period (and any liability of the Contractor for damages incurred) shall be extended by the period taken by the Authority to accord its required approval.
- (iv) After termination of this Agreement for Contractor Default, the Authority may complete the Works and/or arrange for any other entities to do so. The Authority and these entities may then use any Materials, Plant and equipment, Contractor's documents and other design documents made by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- (v) As a natural consequence of the termination, due to the contractor's failure, the contractor shall be deemed to have been debarred for a period of 2 years and shall not be able to bid any contract of the Authority either singularly or in a JV or its Related Parties. (Explanation:- Such debarment shall be a natural consequence of termination. No separate Show Cause / proceeding shall be initiated for placing such contractor under debarment).
- (vi) The Authority may, at its discretion, without terminating the contract and allowing

the contractor to continue with the existing contract(s), place the contractor(s) in the 'Negative List' for any of the following reasons :

- a) Failure to achieve milestones proportionate to the encumbrance free ROW handed over.
- (b) Failure to achieve targets / interim targets duly communicated by the Authority or its officers;
- (c) Failure to mobilize machinery / manpower as per the discretion of the Authority or its officers;
- (d) Inefficient and unsafe execution of work showing total disregard to public safety in construction zone and public convenience.
- (e) Showing total disregard to environmental laws, local laws and State / local administration concerns;
- (f) Showing total lack of ability (whether managerial / technical) to execute projects of such size;
- (g) Failure to abide by any lawful direction of the Authority or its officers.
- (h) Failure of contractor to extend/ replenish the Performance Security as per Contract Agreement.
- (i) Failure of contractor to maintain the project highway during construction and/or after completion of work, during the maintenance period.
- (j) Failure of contractor to rectify defects/ unsafe work within the time period as directed by Authority Engineer.
- (k) Subcontracting part or whole of the work without approval of the Authority.
- (l) Failure of contractor to fulfill its obligations as per Article 3 of contract of agreement.

Provided that, the Authority shall issue a notice giving 15 days time to the contractor before placing him in the 'Negative List' and upon evaluation of reply, if any, shall take a final decision. Such a notice shall not be issued without the approval of an officer below the rank of Executive Director.

Provided, upon satisfactory action on the matter for which the contractor has been placed in the list, the Competent Authority may allow the contractor to be deleted from the 'Negative List'.

(vii) Consequence of placement in the Negative List :-

"The contractor to include all the JV partners and their related parties shall not be eligible to bid in any of the Authority's contracts / projects for a period of 2 years from the date of being placed in the negative list or till the completion of the ongoing contract or removal of the Contractor from the negative list, whichever is earlier."

23.2 Termination for Authority Default

- (i) In the event that any of the defaults specified below shall have occurred, and the Authority fails to cure such default within a Cure Period of 90 (ninety) days or such longer period as has been expressly provided in this Agreement, the Authority shall be deemed to be in default of this Agreement (the "**Authority Default**") unless the default has occurred as a result of any breach of this Agreement by the Contractor or

due to Force Majeure. The defaults referred to herein shall include:

- (a) the Authority commits a material default in complying with any of the provisions of this Agreement and such default has a Material Adverse Effect on the Contractor;
 - (b) the Authority has failed to make payment of any amount due and payable to the Contractor within the period specified in this Agreement;
 - (c) the Authority has failed to provide, within a period of 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from the Appointed Date, the environmental clearances required for construction of the Project Highway;
 - (d) the Authority becomes bankrupt or insolvent, goes into liquidation, has a receiving or administration order made against him, compounds with its creditors, or carries on business under a receiver, trustee or manager for the benefit of its creditors, or if any act is done or event occurs which (under Applicable Laws) has a similar effect;
 - (e) the Authority repudiates this Agreement or otherwise takes any action that amounts to or manifests an irrevocable intention not to be bound by this Agreement;
 - (f) the Authority's Engineer fails to issue the relevant Interim Payment Certificate within 60 (sixty) days after receiving a statement and supporting documents; or
 - (g) the whole work is suspended by Authority beyond 120 (one hundred twenty) days for any reason which is not attributed to the Contractor.
- (ii) Without prejudice to any other right or remedy which the Contractor may have under this Agreement, upon occurrence of an Authority Default, the Contractor shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by issuing a Termination Notice to the Authority; provided that before issuing the Termination Notice, the Contractor shall by a notice inform the Authority of its intention to issue the Termination Notice and grant 15 (fifteen) days to the Authority to make a representation, and may after the expiry of such 15 (fifteen) days, whether or not it is in receipt of such representation, issue the Termination Notice.

If on the consideration of the Authority's representation or otherwise, the contractor does not issue the Termination Notice on such 15th (fifteenth) day and prefers to continue with the project, it is deemed that the cause of action of the Termination Notice has been condoned by the Contractor and he would be deemed to have waived any claim and forfeited any right to any other remedy on that count or in relation to such action or omission.

23.3 Termination for Authority's convenience

Notwithstanding anything stated hereinabove, the Authority may terminate this Agreement for convenience. The termination shall take effect 30 (thirty) days from

the date of notice provided to the Contractor.

23.4 Requirements after Termination

Upon Termination of this Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Article 23, the Contractor shall comply with and conform to the following:

- (a) deliver all relevant records, reports, Intellectual Property and other licences pertaining to the Works, Maintenance, other design documents;
- (b) transfer and/or deliver all Applicable Permits to the extent permissible under Applicable Laws; and
- (c) vacate the Site within 15 (fifteen) days.

23.5 Valuation of Unpaid Works

- (i) Within a period of 45 (forty-five) days after Termination under Clause 23.1, 23.2 or 23.3, as the case may be, has taken effect, the Authority's Engineer shall proceed in accordance with Clause 18.5 to determine as follows the valuation of unpaid Works (the "**Valuation of Unpaid Works**"):
 - (a) value of the completed stage of the Works, less payments already made;
 - (b) reasonable value of the partially completed stages of works as on the date of Termination, only if such works conform with the Specifications and Standards; and
 - (c) value of Maintenance, if any, for completed months, less payments already made, and shall adjust from the sum thereof (i) any other amounts payable or recoverable, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and (ii) all taxes due to be deducted at source.
- (ii) The Valuation of Unpaid Works shall be communicated to the Authority, with a copy to the Contractor, within a period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of Termination.

23.6 Termination Payment

- (i) Upon Termination on account of Contractor's Default under Clause 23.1, the Authority shall:
 - (a) encash and appropriate the Performance Security, Additional Performance Security if any and Retention Money, or in the event the Contractor has failed to replenish or extend the Performance Security and Additional Performance Security if any, claim the amount stipulated in Clause 7.1, as agreed pre-determined compensation to the Authority for any losses, delays and cost of completing the Works and Maintenance, if any;
 - (b) encash and appropriate the Bank Guarantee, if any, for and in respect of the outstanding Advance Payment and interest thereon; and
 - (c) pay to the Contractor, by way of Termination Payment, an amount equivalent

to the Valuation of Unpaid Works after adjusting any other sums payable or recoverable, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

- (ii) Upon Termination on account of an Authority Default under Clause 23.2 or for Authority's convenience under Clause 23.3, the Authority shall:
- (a) return the Performance Security, Additional Performance Security and Retention Money forthwith;
 - (b) encash and appropriate the bank guarantee, if any, for and in respect of the outstanding Advance Payment; and
 - (c) pay to the Contractor, by way of Termination Payment, an amount equal to:
 - i. Valuation of Unpaid Works;
 - ii. the reasonable cost of temporary works, as determined by the Authority's Engineer; and
 - iii. 10% (ten per cent) of the cost of the Works and Maintenance that are not commenced or not completed,and shall adjust from the sum thereof (i) any other amounts payable or recoverable, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and (ii) all taxes due to be deducted at source.
- (iii) Termination Payment shall become due and payable to the Contractor within 30 (thirty) days of a demand being made by the Contractor to the Authority with the necessary particulars, and in the event of any delay, the Authority shall pay interest at Bank Rate + 3% per annum, on the amount of Termination Payment remaining unpaid; provided that such delay shall not exceed 90 (ninety) days. For the avoidance of doubt, it is expressly agreed that Termination Payment shall constitute full discharge by the Authority of its payment obligations in respect thereof hereunder.
- (iv) The Contractor expressly agrees that Termination Payment under this Article 23 shall constitute a full and final settlement of all claims of the Contractor on account of Termination of this Agreement and that it shall not have any further right or claim under any law, treaty, convention, contract or otherwise.

23.7 Other rights and obligations of the Parties

Upon Termination for any reason whatsoever:

- (a) property and ownership in all Materials, Plant and Works and the Project Highway shall, as between the Contractor and the Authority, vest in the Authority in whole; provided that the foregoing shall be without prejudice to Clause 23.6;
- (b) risk of loss or damage to any Materials, Plant or Works and the care and custody thereof shall pass from the Contractor to the Authority; and

- (c) the Authority shall be entitled to restrain the Contractor and any person claiming through or under the Agreement from entering upon the Site or any part of the Project, which have not been vested in the Authority in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

23.8 Survival of rights

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement any Termination pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement shall be without prejudice to the accrued rights of either Party including its right to claim and recover money damages, insurance proceeds, security deposits, and other rights and remedies, which it may have in law or Agreement. All rights and obligations of either Party under this Agreement, including Termination Payments, shall survive the Termination to the extent such survival is necessary for giving effect to such rights and obligations.

23.9 Foreclosure with mutual consent

- (i) Without prejudice to any provision of this Agreement, the Authority and Contractor may foreclose this Agreement by mutual consent in circumstances which does not constitute either party's default without any liability or consequential future liability for either party.
- (ii) Should a Party intend to foreclose this Agreement by mutual consent, the intending Party shall issue a notice to the other Party and upon issuance of such notice, the other Party may within 15 days from receipt of such notice either agree to such foreclosure or raise objection(s) to the same by intimating either of the two possible positions to the intending Party in writing.
- (iii) In either case of the other Party agreeing to the proposed foreclosure or otherwise, the Parties may negotiate the proposed foreclosure and sign a Supplementary Agreement for foreclosure to the main Contract Agreement within 30 (thirty) days of the date agreeing by both Parties. Foreclosure shall not come into effect unless and otherwise Supplementary Agreement is signed.
- (iv) Any attempt or endeavor for foreclosure by mutual agreement shall be without prejudice to the rights and obligations of the Parties herein and the factum of such an attempt or exercise shall not stop either of the Parties from discharging their contractual obligations under this Agreement.
- (v) For the avoidance of doubt, it is clarified that such foreclosure will be without prejudice to the Contractor and shall not affect the Contractor in any way if it wishes to bid in future projects of the Authority.

Part VI

Other Provisions



Article 24

Assignment and Charges

24.1 Restrictions on assignment and charges

This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Contractor to any person, save and except with the prior consent in writing of the Authority, which consent the Authority shall be entitled to decline without assigning any reason.

24.2 Hypothecation of Materials or Plant

Notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 24.1, the Contractor may pledge or hypothecate to its lenders, any Materials or Plant prior to their incorporation in the Works. Further, the Contractor may, by written notice to the Authority, assign its right to receive payments under this Agreement either absolutely or by way of charge, to any person providing financing to the Contractor in connection with the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges that any such assignment by the Contractor shall not relieve the Contractor from any obligations, duty or responsibility under this Agreement.

Article 25

Liability and Indemnity

25.1 General indemnity

- (i) The Contractor will indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the Authority and its officers, servants, agents, Government Instrumentalities and Government owned and/or controlled entities/enterprises, (the “**Authority Indemnified Persons**”) against any and all suits, proceedings, actions, demands and third party claims for any loss, damage, cost and expense of whatever kind and nature, whether arising out of any breach by the Contractor of any of its obligations under this Agreement or from any negligence under the Agreement, including any errors or deficiencies in the design documents, or tort or on any other ground whatsoever, except to the extent that any such suits, proceedings, actions, demands and claims have arisen due to any negligent act or omission, or breach or default of this Agreement on the part of the Authority Indemnified Persons.

25.2 Indemnity by the Contractor

- (i) Without limiting the generality of Clause 25.1, the Contractor shall fully indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Authority and the Authority Indemnified Persons from and against any and all loss and/or damages arising out of or with respect to:
- (a) failure of the Contractor to comply with Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits;
 - (b) payment of taxes required to be made by the Contractor in respect of the income or other taxes of the Sub-contractors, suppliers and representatives; or
 - (c) non-payment of amounts due because of Materials or services furnished to the Contractor or any of its Sub-contractors which are payable by the Contractor or any of its Sub-contractors.
- (ii) Without limiting the generality of the provisions of this Article 25, the Contractor shall fully indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Authority Indemnified Persons from and against any and all suits, proceedings, actions, claims, demands, liabilities and damages which the Authority Indemnified Persons may hereafter suffer, or pay by reason of any demands, claims, suits or proceedings arising out of claims of infringement of any domestic or foreign patent rights, copyrights or other intellectual property, proprietary or confidentiality rights with respect to any materials, information, design or process used by the Contractor or by the Sub-contractors in performing the Contractor's obligations or in any way incorporated in or related to the Project. If in any such suit, action, claim or proceedings, a temporary restraint order or preliminary injunction is granted, the Contractor shall make every

reasonable effort, by giving a satisfactory bond or otherwise, to secure the revocation or suspension of the injunction or restraint order. If, in any such suit, action, claim or proceedings, the Project Highway, or any part thereof or comprised therein, is held to constitute an infringement and its use is permanently enjoined, the Contractor shall promptly make every reasonable effort to secure for the Authority a licence, at no cost to the Authority, authorising continued use of the infringing work. If the Contractor is unable to secure such licence within a reasonable time, the Contractor shall, at its own expense, and without impairing the Specifications and Standards, either replace the affected work, or part, or process thereof with non-infringing work or part or process or modify the same so that it becomes non-infringing.

25.3 Notice and contest of claims

In the event that either Party receives a claim or demand from a third party in respect of which it is entitled to the benefit of an indemnity under this Article 25 (the “**Indemnified Party**”) it shall notify the other Party (the “**Indemnifying Party**”) within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the claim or demand and shall not settle or pay the claim without the prior approval of the Indemnifying Party, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. If the Indemnifying Party wishes to contest or dispute the claim or demand, it may conduct the proceedings in the name of the Indemnified Party, subject to the Indemnified Party being secured against any costs involved, to its reasonable satisfaction.

25.4 Defence of claims

- (i) The Indemnified Party shall have the right, but not the obligation, to contest, defend and litigate any claim, action, suit or proceeding by any third party alleged or asserted against such Party in respect of, resulting from, related to or arising out of any matter for which it is entitled to be indemnified hereunder, and reasonable costs and expenses thereof shall be indemnified by the Indemnifying Party. If the Indemnifying Party acknowledges in writing its obligation to indemnify the Indemnified Party in respect of loss to the full extent provided by this Article 25, the Indemnifying Party shall be entitled, at its option, to assume and control the defence of such claim, action, suit or proceeding, liabilities, payments and obligations at its expense and through the counsel of its choice; provided it gives prompt notice of its intention to do so to the Indemnified Party and reimburses the Indemnified Party for the reasonable cost and expenses incurred by the Indemnified Party prior to the assumption by the Indemnifying Party of such defence. The Indemnifying Party shall not be entitled to settle or compromise any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party, unless the Indemnifying Party provides such security to the Indemnified Party as shall be reasonably required by the Indemnified Party to secure the loss to be indemnified hereunder to the extent so compromised or settled.
- (ii) If the Indemnifying Party has exercised its rights under Clause 25.3, the Indemnified

Party shall not be entitled to settle or compromise any claim, action, suit or proceeding without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

- (iii) If the Indemnifying Party exercises its rights under Clause 25.3, the Indemnified Party shall nevertheless have the right to employ its own counsel, and such counsel may participate in such action, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of the Indemnified Party, when and as incurred, unless:
- (a) the employment of counsel by such party has been authorised in writing by the Indemnifying Party; or
 - (b) the Indemnified Party shall have reasonably concluded that there may be a conflict of interest between the Indemnifying Party and the Indemnified Party in the conduct of the defence of such action; or
 - (c) the Indemnifying Party shall not, in fact, have employed independent counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party, to assume the defence of such action and shall have been so notified by the Indemnified Party; or
 - (d) the Indemnified Party shall have reasonably concluded and specifically notified the Indemnifying Party either:
 - i. that there may be specific defences available to it which are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party; or
 - ii. that such claim, action, suit or proceeding involves or could have a material adverse effect upon it beyond the scope of this Agreement:

Provided that if Sub-clauses (b), (c) or (d) of this Clause 25.4 (iii) shall be applicable, the counsel for the Indemnified Party shall have the right to direct the defence of such claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding on behalf of the Indemnified Party, and the reasonable fees and disbursements of such counsel shall constitute legal or other expenses hereunder.

25.5 Survival on Termination

The provisions of this Article 25 shall survive Termination.

Article 26

Dispute Resolution

26.1 Dispute Resolution

- (i) Any dispute, difference or controversy of whatever nature howsoever arising under or out of or in relation to this Agreement (including its interpretation) between the Parties, and so notified in writing by either Party to the other Party (the “**Dispute**”) shall, in the first instance, be attempted to be resolved amicably in accordance with the conciliation procedure set forth in Clause 26.2.
- (ii) The Parties agree to use their best efforts for resolving all Disputes arising under or in respect of this Agreement promptly, equitably and in good faith, and further agree to provide each other with reasonable access during normal business hours to all non-privileged records, information and data pertaining to any Dispute.

26.2 Conciliation

In the event of any Dispute between the Parties, either Party may call upon the Authority’s Engineer, or such other person as the Parties may mutually agree upon (the “**Conciliator**”) to mediate and assist the Parties in arriving at an amicable settlement thereof. Failing mediation by the Conciliator or without the intervention of the Conciliator, either Party may require such Dispute to be referred to the Chairman of the Authority and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Contractor for amicable settlement, and upon such reference, the said persons shall meet no later than 7 (seven) business days from the date of reference to discuss and attempt to amicably resolve the Dispute. If such meeting does not take place within the 30 (thirty) business day period or the Dispute is not amicably settled within 30 (thirty) days of the meeting or the Dispute is not resolved as evidenced by the signing of written terms of settlement within 30 (thirty) days of the notice in writing referred to in Clause 26.1.1 or such longer period as may be mutually agreed by the Parties, either Party may refer the Dispute to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Clause 26.3 but before resorting to such arbitration, the parties agree to explore conciliation by the Conciliation Committees of Independent Experts set up by the Authority in accordance with the procedure decided by the panel of such experts and notified by the Authority on its website including its subsequent amendments. In the event of the conciliation proceedings being successful, the parties to the dispute would sign the written settlement agreement and the conciliators would authenticate the same. Such settlement agreement would then be binding on the parties in terms of Section 73 of the Arbitration Act. In case of failure of the conciliation process even at the level of the Conciliation Committee, either party may refer the Dispute to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Clause 26.3.

26.3 Arbitration

- (i) *Any dispute which remains unresolved between the parties through the mechanisms available/ prescribed in the Agreement, irrespective of any claim value, which has not been agreed upon/ reached settlement by the parties, will be referred to the Arbitral Tribunal as per the Arbitration and Conciliation Act.*
- (ii) Deleted
- (iii) The Arbitral Tribunal shall make a reasoned award (the "Award"). Any Award made in any arbitration held pursuant to this Article 26 shall be final and binding on the Parties as from the date it is made, and the Contractor and the Authority agree and undertake to carry out such Award without delay.
- (iv) The Contractor and the Authority agree that an Award may be enforced against the Contractor and/or the Authority, as the case may be, and their respective assets wherever situated.
- (v) This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the Parties shall remain in full force and effect, pending the Award in any arbitration proceedings hereunder. Further, the parties unconditionally acknowledge and agree that notwithstanding any dispute between them, each Party shall proceed with the performance of its respective obligations, pending resolution of Dispute in accordance with this Article.
- (vi) In the event the Party against whom the Award has been granted challenges the Award for any reason in a court of law, it shall make an interim payment to the other Party for an amount equal to 75% (seventy five per cent) of the Award, pending final settlement of the Dispute. The aforesaid amount shall be paid forthwith upon furnishing an irrevocable Bank Guarantee for a sum equal to 120 % (one hundred and twenty per cent) of the aforesaid amount. Upon final settlement of the Dispute, the aforesaid interim payment shall be adjusted and any balance amount due to be paid or returned, as the case may be, shall be paid or returned with interest calculated at the rate of 10% (ten per cent) per annum from the date of interim payment to the date of final settlement of such balance.

26.4 Adjudication by Regulatory Authority, Tribunal or Commission

In the event of constitution of a statutory regulatory authority, tribunal or commission, as the case may be, with powers to adjudicate upon disputes between the Contractor and the Authority, all Disputes arising after such constitution shall, instead of reference to arbitration under Clause 26.3, be adjudicated upon by such regulatory authority, tribunal or commission in accordance with the Applicable Law and all references to Dispute Resolution Procedure shall be construed accordingly. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties hereto agree that the adjudication hereunder shall not be final and binding until an appeal against such adjudication has been decided by an appellate tribunal or court of competent jurisdiction, as the case may be, or no such appeal has been preferred within the time specified in the Applicable Law.

Article 27

Miscellaneous

27.1 Governing law and jurisdiction

This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with and governed by the laws of India, and the courts at [Delhi] shall have exclusive jurisdiction over matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

27.2 Waiver of immunity

Each Party unconditionally and irrevocably:

- (a) agrees that the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement constitute commercial acts done and performed for commercial purpose;
- (b) agrees that, should any proceedings be brought against it or its assets, property or revenues in any jurisdiction in relation to this Agreement or any transaction contemplated by this Agreement, no immunity (whether by reason of sovereignty or otherwise) from such proceedings shall be claimed by or on behalf of the Party with respect to its assets;
- (c) waives any right of immunity which it or its assets, property or revenues now has, may acquire in the future or which may be attributed to it in any jurisdiction; and
- (d) consents generally in respect of the enforcement of any judgement or award against it in any such proceedings to the giving of any relief or the issue of any process in any jurisdiction in connection with such proceedings (including the making, enforcement or execution against it or in respect of any assets, property or revenues whatsoever irrespective of their use or intended use of any order or judgment that may be made or given in connection therewith).

27.3 Delayed payments

The Parties hereto agree that payments due from one Party to the other Party under the provisions of this Agreement shall be made within the period set forth therein, and if no such period is specified, within 30 (thirty) days of receiving a demand along with the necessary particulars. In the event of delay beyond such period, the defaulting Party shall pay interest for the period of delay calculated at a rate equal to Base Rate plus 2 (two) percent, calculated at quarterly rests, and recovery thereof shall be without prejudice to the rights of the Parties under this Agreement including Termination thereof.

27.4 Waiver

- (i) Waiver, including partial or conditional waiver, by either Party of any default by the other Party in the observance and performance of any provision of or obligations under this Agreement:-

- (a) shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any other or subsequent default hereof or of other provisions of or obligations under this Agreement;
 - (b) shall not be effective unless it is in writing and executed by a duly authorised representative of the Party; and
 - (c) shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement in any manner.
- (ii) Neither the failure by either Party to insist on any occasion upon the performance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement or any obligation thereunder nor time or other indulgence granted by a Party to the other Party shall be treated or deemed as waiver of such breach or acceptance of any variation or the relinquishment of any such right hereunder.

27.5 Liability for review of Documents and Drawings Except

to the extent expressly provided in this Agreement:

- (a) no review, comment or approval by the Authority or the Authority's Engineer of any Document or Drawing submitted by the Contractor nor any observation or inspection of the construction, or maintenance of the Project Highway nor the failure to review, approve, comment, observe or inspect hereunder shall relieve or absolve the Contractor from its obligations, duties and liabilities under this Agreement, the Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits; and
- (b) the Authority shall not be liable to the Contractor by reason of any review, comment, approval, observation or inspection referred to in Sub-clause (a) above.

27.6 Exclusion of implied warranties etc.

This Agreement expressly excludes any warranty, condition or other undertaking implied at law or by custom or otherwise arising out of any other agreement between the Parties or any representation by either Party not contained in a binding legal agreement executed by both Parties.

27.7 Survival

- (i) Termination shall:
 - (a) not relieve the Contractor or the Authority, as the case may be, of any obligations hereunder which expressly or by implication survive Termination hereof; and
- (ii) except as otherwise provided in any provision of this Agreement expressly limiting the liability of either Party, not relieve either Party of any obligations or liabilities for loss or damage to the other Party arising out of, or caused by, acts or omissions

of such Party prior to the effectiveness of such Termination or arising out of such Termination. All obligations surviving Termination shall only survive for a period of 3 (three) years following the date of such Termination.

27.8 Entire Agreement

This Agreement and the Schedules together constitute a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the Parties on the subject hereof, and no amendment or modification hereto shall be valid and effective unless such modification or amendment is agreed to in writing by the Parties and duly executed by persons especially empowered in this behalf by the respective Parties. All prior written or oral understandings, offers or other communications of every kind pertaining to this Agreement are abrogated and withdrawn. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties hereto agree that any obligations of the Contractor arising from the Request for Qualification or Request for Proposals, as the case may be, shall be deemed to form part of this Agreement and treated as such.

27.9 Severability

If for any reason whatever, any provision of this Agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable or is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction or any other instrumentality to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not be affected in any manner, and the Parties will negotiate in good faith with a view to agreeing to one or more provisions which may be substituted for such invalid, unenforceable or illegal provisions, as nearly as is practicable to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision. Failure to agree upon any such provisions shall not be subject to the Dispute Resolution Procedure set forth under this Agreement or otherwise.

27.10 No partnership

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint venture or partnership between the Parties, or to impose any partnership obligation or liability upon either Party, and neither Party shall have any right, power or authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, the other Party.

27.11 Third parties

This Agreement is intended solely for the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create any duty to, standard of care with reference to, or any liability to, any person not a Party to this Agreement.

27.12 Successors and assigns

This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of the Parties and

their respective successors and permitted assigns.

27.13 Notices

Any notice or other communication to be given by any Party to the other Party under or in connection with the matters contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall:

- (a) in the case of the Contractor, be given by facsimile or e-mail and by letter delivered by hand to the address given and marked for attention of the person set out below or to such other person as the Contractor may from time to time designate by notice to the Authority; provided that notices or other communications to be given to an address outside [Delhi] may, if they are subsequently confirmed by sending a copy thereof by registered acknowledgement due, air mail or by courier, be sent by facsimile or e-mail to the person as the Contractor may from time to time designate by notice to the Authority; [***]
- (b) in the case of the Authority, be given by facsimile or e-mail and by letter delivered by hand and be addressed to the [Managing Director,] of the Authority with a copy delivered to the Authority Representative or such other person as the Authority may from time to time designate by notice to the Contractor; provided that if the Contractor does not have an office in [Delhi] it may send such notice by facsimile or e-mail and by registered acknowledgement due, air mail or by courier; and
- (c) any notice or communication by a Party to the other Party, given in accordance herewith, shall be deemed to have been delivered when in the normal course of post it ought to have been delivered and in all other cases, it shall be deemed to have been delivered on the actual date and time of delivery; provided that in the case of facsimile or e-mail, it shall be deemed to have been delivered on the working day following the date of its delivery.

27.14 Language

All notices required to be given by one Party to the other Party and all other communications, Documentation and proceedings which are in any way relevant to this Agreement shall be in writing and in English language.

27.15 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall constitute an original of this Agreement.

27.16 Confidentiality

The Parties shall treat the details of this Agreement as private and confidential, except to the extent necessary to carry out obligations under it or to comply with Applicable Laws. The Contractor shall not publish, permit to be published, or disclose any particulars of the Works in any trade or technical paper or elsewhere

without the previous agreement of the Authority.

27.17 Copyright and Intellectual Property rights

- (i) As between the Parties, the Contractor shall retain the copyright and other Intellectual Property rights in the Contractor's documents and other design documents made by (or on behalf of) the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed (by signing this Agreement) to give to the Authority a non-terminable transferable non-exclusive royalty-free licence to copy, use and communicate the Contractor's documents, including making and using modifications of them. This licence shall:
 - (a) apply throughout the actual or intended working life (whichever is longer) of the relevant parts of the Works;
 - (b) entitle any person in proper possession of the relevant part of the Works to copy, use and communicate the Contractor's documents for the purposes of completing, operating, maintaining, altering, adjusting, repairing and demolishing the Works; and
 - (c) in the case of Contractor's documents which are in the form of computer programs and other software, permit their use on any computer on the Site and other places as envisaged by this Agreement, including replacements of any computers supplied by the Contractor.
- (ii) The Contractor's documents and other design documents made by (or on behalf of) the Contractor shall not, without the Contractor's consent, be used, copied or communicated to a third party by (or on behalf of) the Authority for purposes other than those permitted under this Clause 27.17.
- (iii) As between the Parties, the Authority shall retain the copyright and other intellectual property rights in this Agreement and other documents made by (or on behalf of) the Authority. The Contractor may, at its cost, copy, use, and obtain communication of these documents for the purposes of this Agreement. They shall not, without the Authority's consent, be copied, used or communicated to a third party by the Contractor, except as necessary for the purposes of the contract.

27.18 Limitation of Liability

- (i) Neither Party shall be liable to the other Party for loss of use of any Works, loss of profit, loss of any contract or for any indirect or consequential loss or damage which may be suffered by the other Party in connection with this Agreement, save and except as provided under Articles 23 and 25.
- (ii) The total liability of one Party to the other Party under and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, save and except as provided in Articles 23 and 25, shall not exceed the Contract Price. For the avoidance of doubt, this Clause shall not limit the liability in any case of fraud, deliberate default or reckless misconduct by the defaulting Party.

27.19 Care and Supply of Documents

- (i) Each of the Contractor's documents shall be in the custody and care of the Contractor, unless and until taken over by the Authority. Unless otherwise stated in the Agreement, the Contractor shall supply to the Authority 2 (two) copies of the each of the Contractor's documents.
- (ii) The Contractor shall keep, on the Site, a copy of the Agreement, publication named in the Authority's requirements, the Contractor's documents, and variations and other communications given under the Agreement. The Authority's personnel shall have the right of access to all these documents at all reasonable times.
- (iii) If a Party becomes aware of an error or defect of a technical nature in a document which was prepared for use in executing the Works, the Party shall promptly give notice to the other party of such error or defect.

27.20 Authority's Use of Contractor's Documents.

- (i) As between the Parties, the Contractor shall retain the copyright and other Intellectual Property rights in the Contractor's Documents and other design documents made by (or on behalf of) the Contractor.
- (ii) The Contractor hereby gives to the Authority a non-terminable transferable nonexclusive royalty-free license to copy, use and communicate the Contractor's Documents, including making and using modifications of them. This license shall:
 - (a) apply through out the actual or intended working life (whichever is longer) of the relevant parts of the Works,
 - (b) entitle any person in proper possession of the relevant part of the Works to copy, use and communicate the Contractor's Documents for the purposes of completing, operating, maintaining, altering, adjusting, repairing and demolishing the Works, and
 - (c) in the case of Contractor's Documents which are in the form of computer programs and other software, permit their use on any computer on the Site and other places as envisaged by the Contractor, including replacements of any computers supplied by the Contractor.
- (iii) The Contractor's Documents and other design documents made by or on behalf of the Contractor shall not, without the Contractor's consent, be used, copied or communicated to a third party by (or on behalf of) the Authority for purposes other than those permitted under this Sub-Clause.

27.21 Contractor's Use of Authority's Documents

As between the Parties, the Authority shall retain the copyright and other intellectual property rights in the Authority's requirements and other Documents made by (or on behalf of) the Authority. The Contractor may, at its cost copy, use, and obtain communication of these documents for the purpose of the Agreement. They shall not without the Authority's consent, be copied, used or communicating to a third party by the Contractor, except as necessary for the purposes of the

Agreement.

27.22 Access to the Site by Others

The Contractor shall, at all times, afford access to the Site to the authorized representatives of the Authority, the Authority's Engineer and anyone else authorized by the Authority to access the site and to the persons duly authorized by any Governmental Agency having jurisdiction over the Project, including those concerned with safety, security or environmental protection to inspect the Project Highway and to investigate any matter within their authority and upon reasonable notice, the Contractor shall provide to such persons reasonable assistance necessary to carry out their respective duties and functions with minimum disruption to the construction, operation and maintenance of the Project Highway consistent with the purpose for which such persons have gained such access to the Site.

27.23 Term

This Agreement shall come into force and effect from the date first hereinabove written and shall remain in force and effect till the Termination Date i.e. the Parties perform all their respective obligations or is terminated by any of the Parties for the reasons and in the manner provided for in the Agreement.

27.24 Amendments

The Agreement may not be supplemented, amended, modified or changed except by an instrument in writing signed by the Contractor and the Authority and expressed to be a supplement, modification or change to the Agreement.

27.25 Representation and Bribes

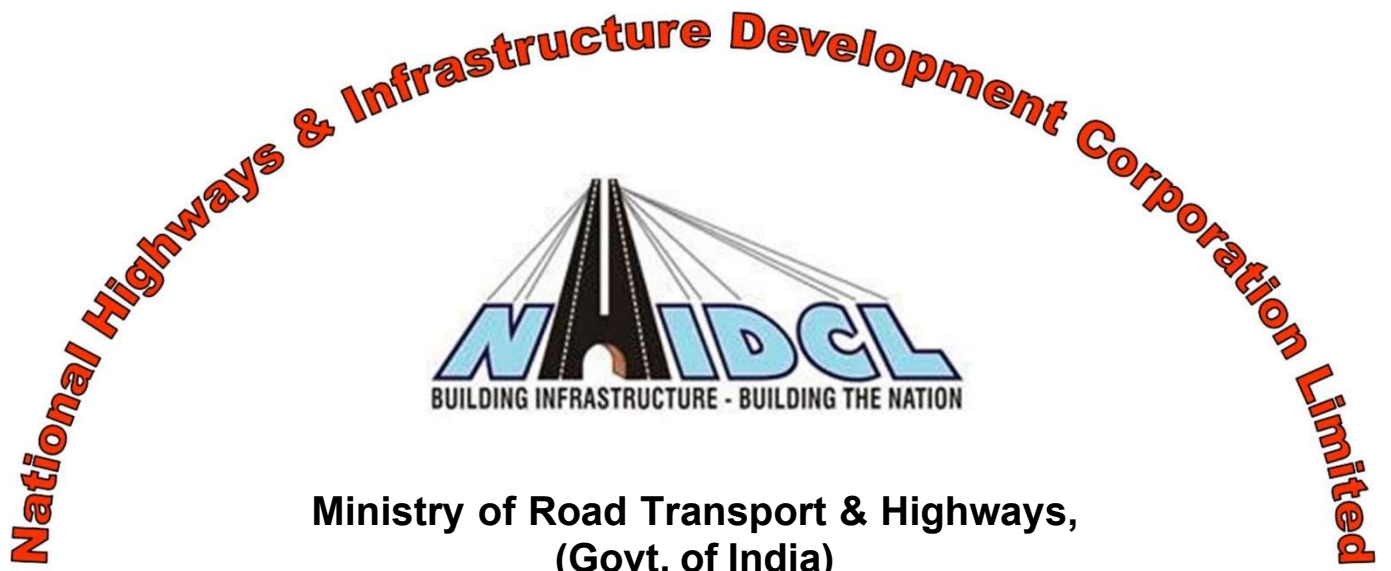
The Contractor represents and warrants to the Authority that:

- (a) No representation or warranty by the Contractor contained herein or in any other document furnished by it to the Authority, or to any Governmental Instrumentality in relation to Applicable Permits contains or will contain any untrue statement of material fact or omits or will omit to state a material fact necessary to make such representation or warranty not misleading; and
- (b) It warrants that no sums, in cash or kind, have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any person by way of fees, commission or otherwise for securing or entering into the Contractor for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of the Authority or GOI in connection therewith.

27.26 No Agency

The Agreement does not constitute either Party as the agent, partner or legal representative of the other for any purposes whatsoever, and neither Party shall have any express or implied right or authority to assume or to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of or in the name of the other Party.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
(Through CPP Portal)

For

“Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP”.

March, 2024

National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd
3rd floor, PTI Building, 4-Parliament Street,
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National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS,
GOVT. OF INDIA

Notice Inviting Bid
(Online e-tender through Central Public Procurement Portal)

Bid/ Package No: NHIDCL/Ar.Pr./H-A/Pkg-I/MJB/28+200/2024/

Dated: xx.xx.2024

RFP for the work of “Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP”.

The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways through National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) is engaged in the development of National Highways and as part of this endeavor, it has been decided to undertake “Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP”.

The National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited represented by its Managing Director now invites International Competitive Bids from eligible contractors for the following project:

State/UT	NH No.	Description of the work	Estimated Cost exclusive of GST (Rs. In Crore)	Bid Security (Rs. In Cr.)	Completion + DLP
Arunachal Pradesh	NH-313	Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP.”	30.00	0.30	30 months + 60 Months

The complete BID document can be viewed / downloaded from official portal of the CPPP website [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) from xx/03/2024 to xx/03/2024(upto 1500 hrs IST). Bidder must submit its financial bid and Technical Bid at [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) on or before xx/03/2024 (up to 1500 hrs IST). Bids received online shall be opened on xx/03/2024 (at 1630 hrs IST).

Bid through any other mode shall not be entertained. However, Bid Security, Document fee, Power of Attorney and Joint Bidding Agreement etc. shall be submitted physically by the Bidder on or before the date mentioned in data sheet, please note that the NHIDCL reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the BIDs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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As part of the Standard Operating Procedure for adoption of Integrity Pact, an Independent External Monitor (IEM) has been appointed in NHIDCL, as per approval of the Central Vigilance Commission and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Govt. of India. The contact detail of IEM can be seen on the website of NHIDCL.

DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this Request for Proposal document (the “RFP”) or subsequently provided to Bidder(s), whether verbally or in documentary or any other form by or on behalf of the Authority or any of its employees or advisors, is provided to Bidder(s) on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP and such other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided.

This RFP is not an Agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by the Authority to the prospective Bidders or any other person. The purpose of this RFP is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in making their financial offers (BIDs) pursuant to this RFP. This RFP includes statements, which reflect various assumptions and assessments arrived at by the Authority in relation to the Project. Such assumptions, assessments and statements do not purport to contain all the information that each Bidder may require. This RFP may not be appropriate for all persons, and it is not possible for the Authority, its employees or advisors to consider the investment objectives, financial situation and particular needs of each party who reads or uses this RFP. The assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in the Bidding Documents, especially the [Feasibility Report], may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each Bidder should, therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFP and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.

Information provided in this RFP to the Bidder(s) is on a wide range of matters, some of which may depend upon interpretation of law. The information given is not intended to be an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Authority accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on law expressed herein.

The Authority, its employees and advisors make no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to any person, including any Applicant or Bidder under any law, statute, rules or regulations or tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise for any loss, damages, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this RFP or otherwise, including the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, completeness or reliability of the RFP and any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained therein or deemed to form part of this RFP or arising in any way for participation in this BID Stage.

The Authority also accepts no liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise howsoever caused arising from reliance of any Bidder upon the statements contained in this RFP. The Authority may in its absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumptions contained in this RFP.

The issue of this RFP does not imply that the Authority is bound to select a Bidder or to appoint the Selected Bidder JV or Contractor, as the case may be, for the Project and the Authority reserves the right to reject all or any of the Bidders or BIDs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

The Bidder shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and

submission of its BID including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Authority or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its BID. All such costs and expenses will remain with the Bidder and the Authority shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by a Bidder in preparation or submission of the BID, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.

GLOSSARY

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Eligible Projects	As defined in Clause 2.2.2.5 (i)
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Estimated Project Cost	As defined in Clause 1.1.3
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Financial Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2.3 (i)
Government	Government of *****
Joint Venture	As defined in Clause 2.2.1
Jt. Bidding Agreement	As defined in Clause 2.1.11(f)
Lead Member	As defined in Clause 2.1.11 (c)
Lowest Bidder	As defined in Clause 1.2.6
LOA	As defined in Clause 3.3.4
Net Worth	As defined in Clause 2.2.2.9 (ii)
Performance Security	As defined in Clause 2.21.1
Additional Performance Security	As defined in Clause 2.21.1
Project	As defined in Clause 1.1.1
Re. or Rs. or INR	Indian Rupee
RFP or Request for Proposals	As defined in the Disclaimer
Selected Bidder	As defined in Clause 3.3.1
Technical Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2.2 (i)
Tie BIDs	As defined in Clause 3.3.2
Threshold Technical Capacity	As defined in Clause 2.2.2.2 (i)

The words and expressions beginning with capital letters and defined in this document shall, unless repugnant to the context, have the meaning ascribed thereto herein.

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National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
(MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS, GOVT. OF INDIA)

SECTION 1
INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

1.1.1 The National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) represented by Managing Director (the “Authority”) is engaged in the development of National Highways and as part of this endeavor, the Authority has decided to undertake the work of “**Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP**” (the “Project”) through an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (the “EPC”) Contract, and has decided to carry out the International Competitive bidding process for selection of a Bidder to whom the Project may be awarded. A brief description of the project may be seen in the Information Memorandum of the Project at the CPPP website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>. Brief particulars of the Project are as follows:

Name of the Work	Length in Km	Estimated Project Cost (Excl. GST) (In ₹ cr.)	Completion Period + DLP
Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP	0.216	30.00	30 Months + 60 Months

1.1.2 The selected Bidder (the “Contractor”) shall be responsible for designing, engineering, procurement and construction of the Project under and in accordance with the provisions of an engineering, procurement and construction contract (the “EPC Contract”) to be entered into between the Contractor and the Authority in the form provided by the Authority as part of the Bidding Documents pursuant hereto. The Contractor shall also be responsible for the maintenance of the project during the Defect Liability Period. The scope of work will broadly include rehabilitation, up gradation and augmentation of the existing carriageway to two-lane with/ without paved shoulders standards with construction of new pavement, rehabilitation of existing pavement, construction and/or rehabilitation of major and minor bridges, culverts, road intersections, interchanges, drains, etc. as detailed in the Schedules and maintenance of the Project during the Defect Liability

Period, which shall be as below: -

The Defect Liability Period/Maintenance Period for the development of National Highway shall be as under:

- (a) 5 (five) years from the date of completion in case of a road being constructed with flexible pavement.
- (b) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of road being constructed with rigid pavement.
- (c) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of road being constructed with flexible pavement using perpetual design
- (d) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion in case of all stand-alone structures, e.g., Major Bridges/ and Tunnels
- (e) 10 (ten) years from the date of completion for the stretches where new technology/ material has been/ is proposed to be used.
- (f) 3 (three) years from the date of completion in case of maintenance works.

Note: The categorization whether the project highway is constructed with flexible pavement or rigid pavement shall depend on the basis of major length of the project highway to be covered with that type of pavement.

- 1.1.3 The estimated cost of the Project (the “**Estimated Project Cost**”) has been specified in the clause 1.1.1 above. The assessment of actual costs, however, will have to be made by the Bidders.
- 1.1.4 The Agreement sets forth the detailed terms and conditions for award of the project to the Contractor, including the scope of the Contractor’s services and obligations.
- 1.1.5 The Authority shall receive BIDs pursuant to this RFP in accordance with the terms set forth in this RFP and other documents to be provided by the Authority pursuant to this RFP (collectively the “**Bidding Documents**”), and all BIDs shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with such terms on or before the BID due date specified in Data Sheet for submission of BIDs (the “**BID Due Date**”).

1.2 Brief description of Bidding Process

- 1.2.1 The Authority has adopted a single stage two-part system (referred to as the “**Bidding Process**”) for selection of the Bidder for award of the Project. Under this process, the bid shall be invited under two parts. Eligibility and qualification of the Bidder will be first examined based on the details submitted under first part (Technical Bid) with respect to eligibility and qualifications criteria prescribed in this RFP (the “**Bidder**”, which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context, include the members of the Joint Venture). The Financial Bid under the second part shall be opened of only those Bidders whose Technical Bids are responsive to eligibility and qualifications

requirements as per this RFP

[GOI has issued guidelines (see Annexure VII of Appendix-1A of RFP) for qualification of Bidders seeking to acquire stakes in any public sector enterprise through the process of disinvestment. These guidelines shall apply mutatis mutandis to this Bidding Process. The Authority shall be entitled to disqualify any Bidder in accordance with the aforesaid guidelines at any stage of the Bidding Process. Bidders must satisfy themselves that they are qualified to bid, and should give an undertaking to this effect in the format Appendix-1A].

- 1.2.2 The Bid shall be valid for a period of 120 days from the date specified in Clause 1.3 for submission of BIDs.
- 1.2.3 The complete Bidding Documents including the draft Agreement for the Project is enclosed for the Bidders. The Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report prepared by the Authority/ consultants of the Authority (the "**Feasibility Report/Detailed Project Report**") is also enclosed. The Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report of the Project is being provided only as a preliminary reference document by way of assistance to the Bidders who are expected to carry out their own surveys, investigations and other detailed examination of the Project before submitting their Bids. Nothing contained in the Feasibility Report/Detailed Project Report shall be binding on the Authority nor confer any right on the Bidders, and the Authority shall have no liability whatsoever in relation to or arising out of any or all contents of the Feasibility Report/Detailed Project Report. The aforesaid documents and any addenda issued subsequent to this RFP Document, will be deemed to form part of the Bidding Documents. However, Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report prepared by the Authority/ consultants of the Authority (the "**Feasibility Report/Detailed Project Report**") is not required in case of maintenance works like PR/HIPR to be taken on EPC mode.
- 1.2.4 A Bidder is required to submit, along with its BID, the cost of BID/RFP documents as mentioned in Data Sheet through online facility provided by the Indusland Bank to the NHIDCL's account.
Copy of payment receipt (RTGS/NEFT/Other online mode) must be submitted along with bid.
- 1.2.5 Bidders are advised to examine the Project in greater detail, and to carry out, at their cost, such studies as may be required for submitting their respective BIDs for award of the contract including implementation of the Project.
- 1.2.6 BIDs will be evaluated for the Project on the basis of the lowest cost required by a Bidder for implementing the Project (the "**BID Price**"). The total time allowed for completion of construction under the Agreement (the "**Construction Period**") and the period during which the Contractor shall be liable for maintenance and rectification of any defect or deficiency in the Project after completion of the Construction Period (the "**Defect Liability Period**") shall be pre-determined, and are specified in the RFP/Draft

Agreement forming part of the Bidding Documents.

In this RFP, the term “**Lowest Bidder**” shall mean the Bidder who is quoting the lowest BID price.

- 1.2.7 Generally, the Lowest Bidder shall be the selected Bidder. In case such Lowest Bidder withdraws or is not selected for whatsoever reason except the reason mentioned in Clause 2.1.12 (b) (4) & Clause 3.3.1, the Authority shall annul the Bidding Process and invite fresh BIDs.
- 1.2.8 Other details of the process to be followed under this bidding process and the terms thereof are spelt out in this RFP.
- 1.2.9 Any queries or request for additional information concerning this RFP shall be submitted by e-mail to the officer designated in the Data Sheet with identification/ title: "Queries / Request for Additional Information: **RFP for Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP**".
- 1.2.10 A Bidder is required to submit, along with its technical BID, a self-certification that the item offered meets the local content requirement for 'Class - I local Supplier' / 'Class - II local Supplier', as the case may be. The self-certification shall also have details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made. In case, bidder has not submitted the aforesaid certification the bidder will be treated as 'Non- Local Supplier'.

In the above pretext, the Class - I Local Supplier, Class - II Local Supplier and the Non- Local Supplier are defined as under:

- (i) 'Class - I local Supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, meets the minimum local content as prescribed for 'Class - I local Supplier' under this RFP. The 'local content' requirement to categorize a supplier as 'Class I local Supplier' is minimum 50%.
- (ii) 'Class - II local Supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, meets the minimum local content as prescribed for 'Class - II local Supplier' under this RFP. The 'local content' requirement to categorize a supplier as 'Class - II local Supplier' is minimum 20%.
- (iii) 'Non - local Supplier' means a supplier or service provider, whose goods, services or works offered for procurement, has local content less than that prescribed for 'Class - II local supplier' under this RFP.
- (iv) 'Local content' means the amount of value added in India which shall be the total value of item procured (excluding net domestic indirect taxes) minus the value of imported content in the item (including all customs

duties) as a proportion of the total value, in percent

In case of procurement for a value in excess of Rs. 10 crores, the 'Class - I local supplier' / 'Class - II local supplier' shall provide a certificate from the statutory auditor or cost auditor of the company (in case of companies) or from a practicing Cost accountant or practicing chartered accountant (in respect of suppliers other than companies) giving the percentage of local content.

- 1.2.11 A BID Security of **Rs. 0.30 Crore** (the "BID Security") in form of DD/FD/BG/e-BG, refundable not later than 150 (One hundred & fifty) days from the BID Due Date, except in the case of the Selected Bidder whose BID Security shall be retained till it has provided a Performance Security and Additional Performance Security (if any) as per the provision of this RFP and LOA. This Guarantee shall be transmitted through SFMS Gateway to NHAI/MORTH/State PWD/NHIDCL/BROs Bank.

Note: - For further details and step by step process regarding e-BG and online payment, NHIDCL Office Order dated 22nd March 2023 may be referred which is attached as Appendix-A

1.3 Schedule of Bidding Process

The Authority shall endeavor to adhere to the Bidding Schedule given in Data Sheet.

SECTION-2

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

A. GENERAL

2.1. General terms of Bidding

- 2.1.1 No Bidder shall submit more than one BID for the Project. A Bidder bidding individually or as a member of a Joint Venture shall not be entitled to submit another BID either individually or as a member of any Joint Venture, as the case may be.
- 2.1.2 An International Bidder bidding individually or as a member of a Joint Venture shall ensure that Power of Attorney is apostille by appropriate authority and requirement of Indian Stamp Act is duly fulfilled.
- 2.1.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this RFP, the detailed terms specified in the draft Agreement shall have overriding effect; provided, however, that any conditions or obligations imposed on the Bidder hereunder shall continue to have effect in addition to its obligations under the Agreement. Further, the statements and explanations contained in this RFP are intended to provide a better understanding to the Bidders about the subject matter of this RFP and should not be construed or interpreted as limiting in any way or manner the scope of services and obligations of the Contractor set forth in the Agreement or the Authority's rights to amend, alter, change, supplement or clarify the scope of work, the work to be awarded pursuant to this RFP or the terms thereof or herein contained. Consequently, any omissions, conflicts or contradictions in the Bidding Documents including this RFP are to be noted, interpreted and applied appropriately to give effect to this intent, and no claims on that account shall be entertained by the Authority.
- 2.1.4 The BID shall be furnished in the format exactly as per Appendix-I i.e., Technical Bid as per Appendix IA and Financial Bid as per Appendix IB. BID amount shall be indicated clearly in both figures and words, in Indian Rupees in prescribed format of Financial Bid and it will be signed by the Bidder's authorised signatory. In the event of any difference between figures and words, the amount indicated in words shall be taken into account.
- 2.1.5 The Bidder should submit a Power of Attorney as per the format at Appendix-III, authorising the signatory of the BID to commit the Bidder.
- 2.1.6 In case the Bidder is a Joint Venture, the Members thereof should furnish a Power of Attorney in favour of the Lead Member in the format at Appendix-IV. And joint bidding agreement in the format at Appendix-V
- 2.1.7 Any condition or qualification or any other stipulation contained in the BID shall render the BID liable to rejection as a non-responsive BID.

- 2.1.8 The BID and all communications in relation to or concerning the Bidding Documents and the BID shall be in English language.
- 2.1.9 This RFP is not transferable.
- 2.1.10 Any award of Project pursuant to this RFP shall be subject to the terms of Bidding Documents and also fulfilling the criterion as mentioned in clause 2.2.
- 2.1.11 In case the Bidder is a Joint Venture, it shall comply with the following additional requirements:
- (a) Number of members in a Joint Venture shall not exceed 2 (Two);
 - (b) subject to the provisions of clause (a) above, the Bid should contain the information required for each Member of the Joint Venture;
 - (c) Members of the Joint Venture shall nominate one member as the lead member (the “**Lead Member**”). Lead Member shall meet at least 60% requirement of Bid Capacity, Technical and Financial Capacity, required as per Clause 2.2.2.1, 2.2.2.2(i) & 2.2.2.3. The nomination(s) shall be supported by a Power of Attorney, as per the format at Appendix-III, signed by all the other Members of the Joint Venture. Other Member(s) shall meet at least 20% requirement of Bid Capacity, Technical and Financial Capacity required as per Clause 2.2.2.1, 2.2.2.2(i) & 2.2.2.3 and the JV as a whole shall cumulatively/collectively fulfill the 100% requirement;
 - (d) the Bid should include a brief description of the roles and responsibilities of individual members, particularly with reference to financial, technical and defect liability obligations;
 - (e) the Lead Member shall itself undertake and perform at least 51 (fifty-one) per cent of the total Contract Amount of the Project Highway,
 - (f) members of the Joint Venture shall have entered into a binding Joint Bidding Agreement, substantially in the form specified at Appendix V (the “**Jt. Bidding Agreement**”), for the purpose of making the Application and submitting a Bid in the event of being pre-qualified. The Jt. Bidding Agreement, to be submitted along with the Application, shall, inter alia:
 - (i) convey the commitment(s) of the Lead Member in accordance with this RFP, in case the contract to undertake the Project is awarded to the Joint Venture; and clearly outline the proposed roles & responsibilities, if any, of each member;
 - (ii) commit the approximate share of work to be undertaken by each member conforming to sub-clause 2.1.11 (e) mentioned above;
 - (iii) include a statement to the effect that all members of the Joint Venture shall be liable jointly and severally for all obligations of the Contractor in relation to the Project until the Defect Liability

Period is achieved in accordance with the EPC Contract; and except as provided under this RFP, there shall not be any amendment to the Jt. Bidding Agreement.

- (g) No Joint Venture up to Estimate Project Cost of Rs. 50 crore (Fifty Crore). However, Joint Venture for any Estimated Project Cost is permissible in case of maintenance works to be taken up on EPC mode.

2.1.12 Entities of countries which have been identified by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways as not allowing Indian companies to participate in their Government procurement for any item related to Ministry of Road Transport & Highways shall not be allowed to participate in government procurement in India for all items related to Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, except for the list of items published by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways permitting their participation.

2.1.13 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, in the event that the Bid Due Date falls within three months of the closing of the latest financial year of a Bidder, it shall ignore such financial year for the purposes of its Bid and furnish all its information and certification with reference to the 5 (five) years or 1 (one) year, as the case may be, preceding its latest financial year. For the avoidance of doubt, financial year shall, for the purposes of a Bid hereunder, mean the accounting year followed by the Bidder in the course of its normal business.

2.1.14 The Bidder, including an individual or any of its Joint Venture Member, should not be a non-performing party on the bid submission date. The Bidder, including any Joint Venture Member, shall be deemed to be a non-performing party, if it attracts any or more of the following conditions in any of its ongoing or completed project:

- (i) Fails to set up institutional mechanism and procedure as per contract;
- (ii) Fails to mobilize key construction equipment within a period of 4 months from the Appointed date;
- (iii) Fails to complete or has missed any milestone and progress not commensurate with contiguous unencumbered project length/ROW available even after lapse of 6 months from respective project milestone/ Schedule Completion date, unless Extension of Time has been granted due to Authority's Default of Force Majeure;
- (iv) Fails to achieve progress commensurate with funds released from Escrow Account (Equity + Debt+ Grant) in BOT or HAM project and variation is more than 25% in the last 365 days;
- (v) Fails to achieve the target progress or complete the project as per schedule agreed at the time of sanctioning of funds under One Time Funds Infusion (OTFI) or relaxations to contract conditions to improve cash flow solely on account of Concessionaire's / Contractor's failure/default;

- (vi) Fails to complete rectification (excluding minor rectifications) as per time given in non-conformity reports (NCR) in design/ completed works/ maintenance or reported in Inspection Report issued by Quality Inspectors deployed by the Authority or Officers of the Authority;
- (vii) Fails to complete minor rectifications exceeding 3 instances in project as per time given in non-conformity reports (NCR) in design/ completed works/ maintenance;
- (viii) Fails to fulfill its obligations to maintain a highway in a satisfactory condition in spite of two rectification notices issued in this regard;
- (ix) Damages/ penalties recommended by Independent/ Authority's Engineer during O&M Period and remedial works are still not taken up;
- (x) Fails to complete Punch list items even after lapse of time for completion of such items excluding delays attributable to the Authority;
- (xi) Occurrence of minor failure of structures/ Highway due to construction defect wherein no casualties are reported (casualties include injuries to human being/ animals);
- (xii) Occurrence of major failure of structures/ highway due to construction defect wherein no casualties are reported (casualties include injuries to human being/ animals);
- (xiii) Occurrence of major failure of structures/ highway due to construction defect leading to loss of human lives besides loss of reputation etc. of the authority;
- (xiv) Fails to make premium payments excluding the current installment in one or more projects;
- (xv) Fails to achieve financial closure in two or more projects within the given or extended period (which shall not be more than six months in any case);
- (xvi) Fails to submit the Performance Security within the permissible time period in more than one project;
- (xvii) Rated as an unsatisfactory performing entity/ non-performing entity by an independent third-party agency and so notified on the website of the Authority;
- (xviii) Failed to perform for the work of Expressways, National Highways, ISC & EI works in the last 2 (two) years, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitral award against the Bidder, including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member, as the case may be;
- (xix) Expelled from the contract or the contract terminated by the Ministry of

Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for breach by such bidder, including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member; Provided that any such decision of expulsion or termination of contract leading to debarring of the Bidder from further participation in bids for the prescribed period should have been ordered after affording an opportunity of hearing to such party;

(xx) Fails to start the works or cause delay in maintenance & repair/ overlay of the project.

Note- The action to be taken against contractor against the above-mentioned type of deficiency

**Note: Sub- clauses (i) to (xi) under this Clause would be applicable only when the Contractor attracts these defaults on the bid submission date. The day the Contractor cures the said defaults and becomes compliant, he would be eligible to participate in bids received after such date.*

The Bidder, including individual or each member of Joint Venture, shall give the list of the projects of Expressways, National Highways, ISC and EI works of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies (NHAI/ NHIDCL/State PWDs/BRO) and the status of above issues in each project as on the bid submission date and undertake that they do not attract any of the above categories (Ref. Sr. No.6, Annex-I of Appendix - IA).

The Bidder including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member may provide

- (i) details of all their on-going projects along with updated stage of litigation, if so, against the Authority / Governments;
- (ii) details of updated on-going process of blacklisting if so, under any contract with Authority / Government; and
- (iii) details of all their on-going projects in the format at Annexure-VIII of Appendix IA (Ref Clause 10.3 (iv) of Draft EPC Agreement).

The Authority reserves the right to reject an otherwise eligible Bidder on the basis of the information provided under this clause 2.1.14. The decision of the Authority in this case shall be final.

2.1.15 Deleted

2.1.16 All Orders of Ministry of Finance/DPIIT/any other Government agencies, as applicable and prevalent on the date of LOA, shall be applicable.

2.1.17 Entities of countries which have been identified by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways as not allowing Indian companies to participate in their Government procurement in their Government procurement for any item related to Ministry of Road Transport & Highways shall not be allowed to participate in Government procurement in India for all items related to

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, except for the list of items published by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways permitting their participation

- 2.1.18 Upon declaration of non-performer/debarred, the Contractor/Concessionaire will not be able to participate in any bid for National Highways projects with MoRTH or its executing agencies till such time the debarment persists or the contractor/Concessionaire is removed from the list of non-performers. IN bidding for a particular project, bids from only such firms should be considered for placement of Contract, which are neither debarred on the date of opening tender nor debarred on the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance (LoA). Contracts concluded before the issue of the debarment/declaration as non-performer order shall not be affected by the debarment order(s) issued subsequently.
- 2.1.19 In case any debarred/declared non-performer firms submits the bid, the same will be ignored. In case such firm is lowest (L-1), next lowest firm shall be considered as L-1. Bid security submitted by such debarred/declared non-performer firms shall be returned to them.
- 2.1.20 **Debarment/declaration** as non-performer of a particular firm shall automatically extend to all its allied firms. In case a joint Venture/consortium is debarred, all partners/members shall stand debarred for the entire period.

2.2. Eligibility and qualification requirements of Bidder

2.2.1 For determining the eligibility of Bidder, the following shall apply:

- (a) The Bidder may be a single entity or a group of entities (the “**Joint Venture**”), coming together to implement the Project. The term Bidder used herein would apply to both a single entity and a Joint Venture. However, in case the estimated cost of the project for which bid is invited is upto ₹ 100 Crore then Joint Venture shall not be allowed.
- (b) Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into a Joint Venture agreement or under an existing agreement to form a Joint Venture. A Joint Venture shall be eligible for consideration subject to the conditions set out in Clause 2.1.11 above.
- (c) A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest (“**Conflict of Interest**”) that affects the Bidding Process. Any Bidder found to have a Conflict of Interest shall be disqualified and liable for forfeiture of the **BID Security** or Performance Security as the case may be. A Bidder shall be deemed to have a Conflict of Interest affecting the Bidding Process, if:
 - (i) the Bidder, its Joint Venture Member (or any constituent thereof) and any other Bidder, its Member or any Member of its Joint Venture thereof (or any constituent thereof) have common controlling shareholders or other ownership interest; provided that this disqualification shall not apply in cases where the direct or indirect shareholding of a Bidder, or its Joint Venture Member thereof (or any shareholder thereof having a

shareholding of more than 5% (five percent) of the paid up and subscribed share capital of such Bidder, or its Joint Venture Member, as the case may be), in the other Bidder, its Joint Venture Member is less than 5% (five percent) of the subscribed and paid up equity share capital thereof; provided further that this disqualification shall not apply to any ownership by a bank, insurance company, pension fund or a public financial institution referred to in section 4A of the Companies Act 1956. For the purposes of this Clause 2.2.1(c), indirect shareholding held through one or more intermediate persons shall be computed as follows: (aa) where any intermediary is controlled by a person through management control or otherwise, the entire shareholding held by such controlled intermediary in any other person (the “**Subject Person**”) shall be taken into account for computing the shareholding of such controlling person in the Subject Person; and (bb) subject always to sub- clause (aa) above, where a person does not exercise control over an intermediary, which has shareholding in the Subject Person, the computation of indirect shareholding of such person in the Subject Person shall be undertaken on a proportionate basis; provided, however, that no such shareholding shall be reckoned under this sub-clause (bb) if the shareholding of such person in the intermediary is less than 26% of the subscribed and paid up equity shareholding of such intermediary; or

- (ii) a constituent of such Bidder is also a constituent of another Bidder; or
- (iii) such Bidder, or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof receives or has received any direct or indirect subsidy, grant, concessional loan or subordinated debt from any other Bidder, or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof or has provided any such subsidy, grant, concessional loan or subordinated debt to any other Bidder, its member or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof; or
- (iv) such Bidder has the same legal representative for purposes of this Application as any other Bidder; or
- (v) such Bidder, or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof has a relationship with another Bidder, or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof, directly or through common third party/ parties, that puts either or both of them in a position to have access to each other’s information about, or to influence the Application of either or each other; or
- (vi) such Bidder, or any of its Joint Venture Member thereof has participated as a consultant to the Authority in the preparation of any documents, design or technical specifications of the Project.

(d.) For determining the eligibility of Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India the following shall apply: -

- i. Any Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India will be eligible to bid, only if the Bidder is registered with the Competent Authority, specified in Annexure-I of Order (Public Procurement No. 1) issued by Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure Public Procurement Division vide F. No. 6/18/2019-PPD, dated 23rd July 2020, which shall form an integral part of RFP and DCA (Copy enclosed).
- ii. "Bidder from a country which shares a land border with India" means:
 - a. An entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country, or
 - b. A subsidiary of an entity incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - c. An entity substantially controlled through entities incorporated, established or registered in such a country; or
 - d. An entity whose beneficial owner is situated in such a country; or
 - e. An Indian (or other) agent of such an entity; or
 - f. A natural person who is a citizen of such a country; or
 - g. A Consortium or joint venture where any member of the consortium or joint venture falls under any of the above.

iii. Beneficial owner for the purpose of (II) above means:

1. In case of a company or Limited Liability Partnership, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more judicial person, has a controlling ownership interest or who exercises control through other means.

Explanation:

- a. "Controlling ownership interest" means ownership of or entitlement to more than twenty-five per cent of shares or capital or profits of the company.
 - b. "Control" shall include the right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholding agreements or voting agreements;
2. In case of a partnership firm, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s) who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or one or more juridical person: has ownership of entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership;
 3. In case of an unincorporated association or body of individuals, the beneficial owner is the natural person(s), who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, has ownership of or entitlement to more than fifteen percent of the property or capital or profits of such association or body of individual;
 4. Where no natural person is identified under (1) or (2) or (3) above, the beneficial owner is the relevant natural person who holds the position of

senior managing official;

1. In case of a trust, the identification of beneficial owner(s) shall include identification of the author of the trust, the trustee, the beneficiaries with fifteen percent or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.

IV. An Agent is a person employed to do any act for another, or to represent another in dealings with third person.

- V. The Selected Bidder/ Concessionaire shall not be allowed to sub-contract works to any contractor from a country which shares a land border with India unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority. The definition of "contractor from a country which shares a land border with India" shall be as in Clause 2.2.1.(d)(ii) above.

Certificate regarding Compliance:

A certificate on the letterhead of the Bidder shall be required to be submitted by the bidders certifying the following in the format prescribed at Appendix-XII:

"I/We have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries;

I/We certify that this bidder is not from a country or, if from such a country, has been registered with the Competent Authority as defined in Public Procurement Order no. F.no.6/18/2019- PPD dated 23rd July 2020 and will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority;

I/We hereby certify that this bidder fulfils all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered."

It may be noted that in case the above certification is found to be false, this would be a ground for immediate rejection of Bid/termination and further legal action in accordance with law.

Validity of Registration:

In respect of RFP, registration should be valid at the time of submission of bids and at the time of acceptance of bids. If the Bidder was validly registered at the time of acceptance, registration shall not be a relevant consideration during contract execution.

2.2.2 Qualification requirements of Bidders:

2.2.2.1 BID Capacity

Bidders who *inter alia* meet the minimum qualification criteria will be qualified only if their available BID capacity is more than the total bid value (as per clause 1.1.1). The available BID capacity will be calculated as per following, based on information mentioned at Annexure-VI of Appendix-IA:

Assessed Available BID capacity = $(A \times N \times 2.5 - B + C)$, Where

N= Number of years prescribed for completion of work for which Bid is invited.

A= Maximum value of civil engineering works excluding the amount of bonus received, if any, in respect of EPC Projects executed in any one year during the last five years (updated to the price level of the year indicated in table at Note- 3 below) taking into account the completed as well as works in progress. The **EPC projects** include turnkey project/ Item rate contract/ Construction works.

B= Value (updated to the price level of the year indicated in table at Note-3 below) of existing commitments, works for which the bidder has emerged as the winner of the bids or ongoing works to be completed during the period of completion of the works for which BID is invited. For the sake of clarification, it is mentioned that works for which bidder has emerged as the winner of the bids but LOA has not been issued on the day before opening the financial bids shall also be considered while calculating value of B.

C= the amount of bonus received, if any, in EPC Projects during the last 5 years (updated to the price level of the year indicated in table at Note-3 below).

Note:

1. The Statement showing the value of all existing commitments, works for which the contractor has emerged as the winner of the bids as given by the bidder and ongoing works as well as the stipulated period of completion remaining for each of these works listed should be countersigned by the Client or its Engineer-in-charge not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent in respect of EPC Projects or concessionaire / Authorized signatory of the SPV in respect of BOT projects and verified by the statutory auditor.

2. The amount of bonus received, if any, in EPC Projects should be countersigned by the Client or its Engineer-in-charge not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent in respect of EPC Projects.

3. The factor for the year for updation to the price level is indicated as under:

Year	Year-1	Year-2	Year-3	Year-4	Year-5
Up-dation factor	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.15	1.20

4. The bid capacity status of the bidder to be updated as on the day before opening the financial bids.

2.2.2.2 Technical Capacity

- (i) For demonstrating technical capacity and experience (the

“Technical Capacity”), the Bidder shall, over the past [5 (five)] financial years preceding the Bid Due Date, have received payments for construction of Eligible Project(s), or has undertaken construction works by itself in a PPP project, such that the sum total thereof, as further adjusted in accordance with clause 2.2.2.5 & (ii), is more than [Rs. 22.50 Cr.] (the **“Threshold Technical Capacity”**).

¹5(five) years in case of normal highway projects and 10(Ten) years in case of standalone specialized projects (Major) Bridges/ROB/Flyover/Tunnel)

²This amount should be as follows:

(A) For normal highway projects

S. No.	Estimated Project Cost (EPC) of the Project being invited	Threshold Technical Capacity
1.	Estimated project cost ≤ 100 Crore	0.75 time of EPC
2.	Estimated project cost > 100 Crore & ≤ 500 Crore	1.0 time of EPC
3.	Estimated project cost > 500 Crore	1.0 time of EPC

(B) For stand-alone specialized projects (Major Bridges/ROB/Flyover/Tunnel)

S. No.	Estimated Project Cost (EPC) of the Project being invited	Threshold Technical Capacity
1.	Estimated project cost < 100 Crore	0.75 time of EPC
2.	Estimated project cost > 100 Crore	1.0 time of EPC
3.	Estimated project cost > 500 Crore & ≤ 1000 Crore	1.0 time of EPC
4.	Estimated project cost > 1000 Crore	1.0 time of the estimate project cost or Rs.1000 crore, whichever is less
5.	Estimated project cost > 1000 Crore of stand-alone specialize projects	1.0 time of the estimate project cost or Rs.1000 crore, whichever is less

(ii) For normal Highway projects (including Major Bridges/ROB/Flyovers/Tunnels):

Provided that at least one similar work of 20% of Estimated Project Cost [Rs.6.00 Cr.] shall have been completed from the Eligible Projects in Category 1 and/or Category 3 specified in Clause 2.2.2.5. For this purpose, a project shall be considered to be completed, if more than 90% of the value of work has been completed and such completed value of work is equal to or more than 20% of the estimated project cost. Eligible projects shall include the following:

(a) Widening/ reconstruction/up-gradation works on NH/SH/Expressway or on any category of road taken up under CRF, ISC/EI, SARDP, LWE.

(b) Widening/reconstruction/up-gradation on MDRs with loan assistance from multilateral agencies or on BOT basis.

(c) Widening/reconstruction/up-gradation work of roads in Municipal Corporation limits, construction of Bypasses

(d) Construction of stand-alone bridges, ROB, tunnels

(e) Construction/reconstruction of linear projects like airport runways, railways (construction/re-construction of railway tracks, yards for keeping containers etc) metro rail and ports (including construction/re-construction of Jetties)

If any Major Bridge/ROB/Flyover/Tunnel is (are) part of the project, then the Bidder shall necessarily demonstrate additional experience in construction of Major Bridge/ROBs/Flyovers/Tunnel in the last 10 (Ten) financial years preceding the Bid Due Date i.e., shall have completed at least one similar Bridge/ROB/Flyover/Tunnel of following sizes:

(a) In case, longest span of bridge/ROB/flyover is less than or equal to 60m, no additional qualification is required.

(b) When longest span is more than 60 m: 50% of the longest span or 80 m, whichever is less, of the structure proposed in this project.

(c) in case of tunnel is a part of project having length less than or equal to 200m, then no additional qualification is required.

(d) When length of tunnel more than 200 m: 50% of the cross-sectional area of proposed tunnel or two-lane highway tunnel cross-sectional area, whichever is less and 20% length of the tunnel to be constructed in this project or 2 km, whichever is less. For the purpose of this requirement, tunnel may have single/twin tubes for roads/railways/metro rail/irrigation/hydroelectricity projectsetc.

(iii) For Stand-alone specialized projects:

(a) Major Bridges/ROB/Flyovers projects:

(a1) In case the cost of specialized project is less than or equal to Rs. 1,000 Cr: The Bidder shall have completed at least one similar Major Bridge/ ROB/Flyover project in the last 10 (Ten) financial years preceding the Bid Due Date, having span equal to or greater than 50% of the longest span or 80 m, whichever is less of the structure proposed in this project and also the cost of such similar project shall be at least 20% of the Estimated Project Cost. For this purpose, a project shall be considered to be completed, if more than 90% of the value of work has been completed and such completed value of work is equal to or more than 20% of the Estimated Project Cost.

(a2) In case the cost of specialized project is more than Rs. 1,000 Cr: The Bidder shall have completed at least one similar Major Bridge/ ROB/ Flyover project in the last 10 (Ten) financial years preceding the Bid Due Date, having span equal to or greater than 50% of the longest span of the structure proposed in this project or 100m, whichever is less, and also the cost of such similar project shall be atleast 20% of the Estimated Project Cost or ₹ 1000Cr. whichever is less. For this purpose, a project shall be

considered to be completed, if more than 90% of the value of work has been completed and such completed value of work is equal to or more than 20% of the Estimated Project Cost or ₹ 1000 Cr., whichever is less.

(b) Tunnel project:

The Bidder shall have completed at least one tunnel project in the last 10 (Ten) financial years preceding the Bid Due Date, consisting of single or twin tubes (including tunnel(s) for roads/Railway /Metro rail/ irrigation/ hydro-electric projects etc.) having atleast 50% of the cross-sectional area of the tunnel to be constructed or cross-sectional area of 2 lane highway tunnel, whichever is less and 20% length of the tunnel to be constructed in this project or 2 km, whichever is less and the cost of such project shall be atleast 20% of the Estimated Project Cost or Rs. 1000 crore, whichever is less. For this purpose, a project shall be considered to be completed, if more than 90% of the value of work has been completed and such completed value of work is equal to or more than 20% of the Estimated Project Cost or ₹ 1000 Cr., whichever is less.

- (iv) The updation factor to update the price of the eligible projects for the year indicated in table below:

Year	Year-1	Year-2	Year-3	Year-4	Year-5
Up-dation factor	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.15	1.20

2.2.2.3 Financial Capacity:

- (i) The Bidder shall have a minimum Net Worth (the “**Financial Capacity**”) of 5% (five percent) of the Estimated Project Cost at the close of the preceding financial year.

- (ii) The Bidder shall have a minimum Average Annual Turnover (updated to the price level of the year based on factors indicated in table below) of 15% (Fifteen percent) of the Estimated Project Cost for the last 5 (five) financial years.

Year	Year-1	Year-2	Year-3	Year-4	Year-5	Year-6*
Up-dation factor	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.15	1.20	1.25

**In case, the audited annual financial statements/accounts for the year-1 are not available and undertaking has been submitted duly endorsed by the statutory auditor is submitted then only year-6 will be considered.*

Note: The Statutory Auditor (SA) shall upload the information on UDIN portal and attach a copy of the certificate downloaded from the portal indicating net worth and turn over for each of the last five years.

2.2.2.4 In case of a Joint Venture:

- (i) The Bid Capacity, Technical Capacity and Financial Capacity of all the Members of Joint Venture would be taken into account for satisfying the above conditions of eligibility. Further, Lead Member shall meet at least 60% requirement of Bid Capacity, Technical and Financial Capacity as per Clause 2.2.2.1, 2.2.2.2(i) and 2.2.2.3 and each of other JV members shall meet at least 20% requirement of Bid Capacity, Technical and Financial Capacity individually as per Clause 2.2.2.1, 2.2.2.2(i) and 2.2.2.3. For avoidance of doubt, it is further clarified that the Joint Venture must collectively and individually satisfy the above qualification criteria i.e. JV shall cumulatively/collectively fulfill the 100% requirement.
- (ii) For requirement of 2.2.2.2 (ii) and (iii), one similar work of 20% of Estimated Project Cost should have been completed from the Eligible Projects in Category 1 and/or Category 3 individually by any of the JV members as a single work

2.2.2.5 Categories and factors for evaluation of Technical Capacity:

- (i) Subject to the provisions of Clause 2.2.2 the following categories of experience would qualify as Technical Capacity and eligible experience (the "**Eligible Experience**") in relation to eligible projects as stipulated in Clauses 2.2.2.6 (i) & (ii) (the "**Eligible Projects**"). In case the Bidder has experience across different categories, the experience for each category would be computed as per weight of following factors to arrive at its aggregated Eligible Experience:

Category	Project / Construction experience on Eligible Projects	Factors
1	Project in highways sector that qualify under Clause 2.2.2.6 (i)	1
2	Project in core sector that qualify under Clause 2.2.2.6 (i)	0.75
3	Construction in highways sector that qualify under Clause 2.2.2.6 (ii)	1
4	Construction in core sector that qualify under Clause 2.2.2.6 (ii)	0.75

- (ii) The Technical capacity in respect of an Eligible Project situated in a developed country which is a member of OECD shall be further multiplied by a factor of 0.5 (zero point five) and the product thereof shall be the ExperienceScore for such Eligible Project.
- (iii) For the purpose of this RFP:
 - (a) highways sector would be deemed to include highways, expressways, bridges, tunnels, runways, railways (construction/re-construction of railway tracks, yards for keeping containers etc.)

metro rail and ports (including construction/reconstruction of Jetties, any other linear infrastructure including bridges etc.); and

- (b) core sector would be deemed to include civil construction cost of power sector, commercial setups (SEZs etc.), airports, industrial parks/ estates, logistic parks, pipelines, irrigation, water supply, sewerage, irrigation, water supply, stadium, hospitals, hotel, smart city, warehouse/Silos, oil and gas and real estate development. Core sector will also include the projects with the title RIDF, PMGSY road, link road, city roads, rural road, sector/municipality road, real estate projects which demonstrate road development/construction bridges or culverts.
- (iv) In case of projects executed by applicant under category 3 and 4 as a member of Joint Venture, the project cost should be restricted to the share of the applicant in the joint venture for determining eligibility as per provision under clause 2.2.2.2. In case Statutory Auditor certifies that, the work of other member(s) is also executed by the applicant, then the total share executed by applicant can be considered for determining eligibility as per provision under clause 2.2.2.2.
- (v) Maintenance works are not considered as eligible project for evaluation as per instruction No.6 to Annex-IV. As such works with nomenclature like PR, OR, FDR, SR, site/micro grading, surface renewal, resurfacing work, Tarring, B.T. surface work, temporary restoration, urgent works, periodic maintenance, repair & rehabilitation, one time maintenance, permanent protection work of bank, external pre stressing, repair of central hinge, short term OMT contract of NHAI, any type of work related to border fencing, work of earthwork alone, construction of buildings/hostels/hospitals, etc., or not specified, shall not be considered. However, such maintenance works shall be considered as eligible projects in case of Maintenance works to be taken up on EPC mode.
- (vi) The works such as Improvement in Riding Quality work (IRQP/IRQ), shall be considered for Technical Capacity [2.2.2.2 (i)] but not for similar completed works [2.2.2.2 (ii) & 2.2.2.2 (iii)]. However, such work shall be considered for similar completed works [2.2.2.2 (ii)] in case of Maintenance works to be taken up on EPC mode.
- (vii) In case both the estimated cost of project and revised cost of project are provided, the revised cost of project shall be considered for evaluation.

2.2.2.6 Eligible Experience on Eligible Projects in respect of each category:

- (i) For a project to qualify as an Eligible Project under Categories 1 and 2:

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- (a) It should have been undertaken as a PPP project on BOT, BOLT, BOO, BOOT or other similar basis for providing its output or services to a public sector entity or for providing non-discriminatory access to users in pursuance of its charter, concession or contract, as the case may be. For the avoidance of doubt, a project which constitutes a natural monopoly such as an airport or port should normally be included in this category even if it is not based on a long-term agreement with a public entity;
 - (b) the entity claiming experience should have held, in the company owning the Eligible Project, a minimum of 26% (twenty-six per cent) equity during the entire year for which Eligible Experience is being claimed;
 - (c) the capital cost of the project should be more than 5% of the amount specified as the Estimated Project Cost; and
 - (d) the entity claiming experience shall, during the last 5 (five) financial years preceding the Bid Due Date, have itself undertaken the construction of the project for an amount equal to at least one half of the Project Cost of eligible projects, excluding any part of the project for which any contractor, sub-contractor or other agent was appointed for the purposes of construction.
- (ii) For a project to qualify as an Eligible Project under Categories 3 and 4, the Bidder should have received payments from its client(s) for construction works executed, fully or partially, or work executed and certified by the Engineer-in Charge/ Independent Engineer/ Authority's Engineer during the 5 (five) financial years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date, and only the amounts (gross) actually received, during such 5 (five) financial years shall qualify for purposes of computing the Experience Score. However, receipts of or work executed amount less than 5% of the Estimated Project Cost shall not be reckoned as receipts for Eligible Projects. For the avoidance of doubt, construction works shall not include supply of goods or equipment except when such goods or equipment form part of a turn-key construction contract / EPC contract for the project. Further, the cost of land and also cost towards Pre-construction activities (like shifting of utilities etc.) shall not be included hereunder.
- (iii) The Bidder shall quote experience in respect of a particular Eligible Project under any one category only, even though the Bidder (either individually or along with a member of the Joint Venture) may have played multiple roles in the cited project. Double counting for a particular Eligible Project shall not be permitted in any form.
- (iv) Experience for any activity relating to an Eligible Project shall not be claimed by two or more Members of the Joint Venture. In other words, no double counting by a Joint Venture in respect of the same experience shall be permitted in any manner whatsoever.

2.2.2.7 Submission in support of Technical Capacity

- (i) The Bidder should furnish the details of Eligible Experience for the last 5(five) financial years immediately preceding the Bid Due Date.
- (ii) The Bidder must provide the necessary information relating to Technical Capacity as per format at Annex-II of Appendix-IA.
- (iii) The Bidder should furnish the required Project-specific information and evidence in support of its claim of Technical Capacity, as per format at Annex -IV of Appendix-IA.

2.2.2.8 Submission in support of financial capacity

- (i) The Technical Bid must be accompanied by the Audited Annual Reports of the Bidder (of each Member in case of a Joint Venture) for the last 5 (five) financial years, preceding the year in which the bid is submitted.
- (ii) In case the annual accounts for the latest financial year are not audited and therefore the Bidder cannot make it available, the Bidder shall give an undertaking to this effect and the statutory auditor shall certify the same. In such a case, the Bidder shall provide the Audited Annual Reports for 5 (five) years preceding the year for which the Audited Annual Report is not being provided.
- (iii) The Bidder must establish the minimum Net Worth specified in Clause 2.2.2.3, and provide details as per format at Annex-III of Appendix-IA.

2.2.2.9 The Bidder shall enclose with its Technical Bid, to be submitted as per the format at Appendix-IA, complete with its Annexes, the following:

- (i) Certificate(s) from its statutory auditors⁵ or the concerned client(s) stating the payments received or in case of a PPP project, the construction carried out by itself, during the past 5 years, in respect of the Eligible Projects. In case a particular job/ contract has been jointly executed by the Bidder (as part of a Joint Venture), it should further support its claim for the payments received or construction carried out by itself in PPP Projects as applicable the share in work done for that particular job/ contract by producing a certificate from its statutory auditor or the client; and
- (ii) Certificate(s) from its statutory auditors specifying the net worth of the Bidder, as at the close of the preceding financial year, and also specifying that the methodology adopted for calculating such net worth conforms to the provisions of this Clause 2.2.2.9 (ii). For the purposes of this RFP, net worth (the “**Net Worth**”) shall mean the aggregate value of the paid-up share capital and all reserves created out of the profits and securities premium account, after deducting the aggregate value of the accumulated losses, deferred expenditure and

miscellaneous expenditure not written off, as per the audited balance sheet, but does not include reserves created out of revaluation of assets, write-back of depreciation and amalgamation.

2.2.2.10 Deleted.

⁵Note: In case duly certified audited annual financial statements containing explicitly the requisite details are provided, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary in respect of Clause 2.2.2.9 (i). In jurisdictions that do not have statutory auditors, the firm of auditors which audits the annual accounts of the Applicant may provide the certificates required under this RFP.

2.3 Proprietary data

All documents and other information supplied by the Authority or submitted by a Bidder to the Authority shall remain or become the property of the Authority and are transmitted to the Bidders solely for the purpose of preparation and the submission of a BID in accordance herewith. Bidders are to treat all information as strictly confidential and shall not use it for any purpose other than for preparation and submission of their Bid. The provisions of this Clause 2.3 shall also apply *mutatis mutandis* to BIDs and all other documents submitted by the Bidders, and the Authority will not return to the Bidders any BID, document or any information provided along therewith.

2.4 Cost of Bidding

The Bidders shall be responsible for all of the costs associated with the preparation of their BIDs and their participation in the Bidding Process. The Authority will not be responsible or in any way liable for such costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Bidding Process.

2.5 Site visit and verification of information

2.5.1 Bidders are encouraged to submit their respective BIDs after visiting the Project site and ascertaining for themselves the site conditions, traffic, location, surroundings, climate, availability of power, water & other utilities for construction, access to site, handling and storage of materials, weather data, applicable laws and regulations, and any other matter considered relevant by them. Bidders are advised to visit the site and familiarise themselves with the Project within the stipulated time of submission of the Bid. No extension of time is likely to be considered for submission of Bids.

2.5.2 It shall be deemed that by submitting a BID, the Bidder has:

- (a) made a complete and careful examination of the Bidding Documents, Schedules annexed to EPC agreement Document;
- (b) received all relevant information requested from the Authority;
- (c) accepted the risk of inadequacy, error or mistake in the information provided in the Bidding Documents or furnished by or on behalf of the Authority relating to any of the matters referred to in Clause 2.5.1 above. No claim shall be admissible at any stage on this account.
- (d) satisfied itself about all matters, things and information including matters referred to in Clause 2.5.1 hereinabove necessary and

required for submitting an informed BID, execution of the Project in accordance with the Bidding Documents and performance of all of its obligations thereunder;

- (e) acknowledged and agreed that inadequacy, lack of completeness or incorrectness of information provided in the Bidding Documents or ignorance of any of the matters referred to in Clause 2.5.1 hereinabove shall not be a basis for any claim for compensation, damages, extension of time for performance of its obligations, loss of profits etc. from the Authority, or a ground for termination of the Agreement by the Contractor;
- (f) acknowledged that it does not have a Conflict of Interest; and
- (g) agreed to be bound by the undertakings provided by it under and in terms hereof.

2.5.3 The Authority shall not be liable for any omission, mistake or error in respect of any of the above or on account of any matter or thing arising out of or concerning or relating to RFP, including any error or mistake therein or in any information or data given by the Authority.

2.6 Verification and Disqualification

2.6.1 The Authority reserves the right to verify all statements, information and documents submitted by the Bidder in response to the RFP and the Bidder shall, when so required by the Authority, make available all such information, evidence and documents as may be necessary for such verification. Any such verification, or lack of such verification, by the Authority shall not relieve the Bidder of its obligations or liabilities hereunder nor will it affect any rights of the Authority thereunder.

2.6.2 The Authority reserves the right to reject any BID if:

- (a) at any time, a material misrepresentation is made or uncovered, or
- (b) the Bidder does not provide, within the time specified by the Authority, the supplemental information sought by the Authority for evaluation of the BID.

Such misrepresentation/ improper response shall lead to the disqualification of the Bidder. If the Bidder is a Joint Venture, then the entire Joint Venture and each Member of the Joint Venture may be disqualified/ rejected. If such disqualification/rejection occurs after the BIDs have been opened and the lowest Bidder gets disqualified / rejected, then the Authority reserves the right to annul the Bidding Process and invites fresh BIDs.

2.6.3 In case it is found during the evaluation or at any time before signing of the Agreement or after its execution and during the period of defect liability subsistence thereof, that one or more of the eligibility and /or qualification requirements have not been met by the Bidder, or the Bidder has made material misrepresentation or has given any materially incorrect or false information, the Bidder shall be disqualified forthwith if not yet appointed as the contractor either by issue of the LOA or entering into of the

Agreement, and if the Selected Bidder has already been issued the LOA or has entered into the Agreement, as the case may be, the same shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained therein or in this RFP, be liable to be terminated, by a communication in writing by the Authority to the Selected Bidder or the Contractor, as the case may be, without the Authority being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Selected Bidder or the Contractor. In such an event, the Authority shall be entitled to forfeit and appropriate the Bid Security or Performance Security, as damages and/or to debar the Bidder/Selected Bidder/Contractor from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, for a period of one year, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the Bidding Documents and / or the Agreement, or otherwise.

- 2.6.4. A Bidder shall be liable for disqualification and forfeiture of BID Security, if any legal, financial or technical adviser of the Authority in relation to the Project is engaged by the Bidder, its Member or any Associate thereof, as the case may be, in any manner for matters related to or incidental to such Project during the Bidding Process or subsequent to the (i) issue of the LOA or (ii) execution of the Agreement. In the event any such adviser is engaged by the selected Bidder or Contractor, as the case may be, after issue of the LOA or execution of the Agreement for matters related or incidental to the project, then notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in the LOA or the Agreement and without Prejudice to any other right or remedy or the Authority, including the forfeiture and appropriation of the BID Security or Performance Security, as the case may be, which the Authority may have there under or otherwise, the LOA or the Agreement, as the case may be, shall be liable to be terminated without the Authority being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Selected Bidder or Contractor for the same. For the avoidance of doubt, this disqualification shall not apply where such adviser was engaged by the Bidder, its Member or Associate in the past but its assignment expired or was terminated 6 (six) months prior to the date of issue of this RFP. Nor will this disqualification apply where such adviser is engaged after a period of 3 (three) years from the date of commercial operation of the Project.

B. DOCUMENTS

2.7 Contents of the RFP

- 2.7.1 This RFP comprises the Disclaimer set forth hereinabove, the contents as listed below, and will additionally include any Addenda issued in accordance with Clause 2.9.

Part -I

Invitation for BIDs

- Section 1. Introduction
- Section 2. Instructions to Bidders
- Section 3. Evaluation of BIDs
- Section 4. Fraud and Corrupt Practices

Section 5. Pre-BID Conference

Section 6. Miscellaneous

Section 7 Data Sheet

Appendices

IA. Letter comprising the Technical BID including Annexure I to IXIB. Letter comprising the Financial BID

II. Bid Security

III. Power of Attorney for signing of BID

IV. Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Joint Venture

V. Joint Bidding Agreement for Joint Venture

VI. Integrity Pact Format

VII. Form of Bank Guarantee (For Performance Security)

VIII. Format of LOA

IX. Format of BOQ

X. Format of Certificate of Net worth by Statutory Auditor.

XI. Format of Certificate of Turn Over by Statutory Auditor.

XII. Certificate regarding Compliance with Restrictions under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs).

Part -II

Agreement Document with schedules

Part - III

[Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report provided by the authority]

2.7.2 The draft Agreement and the Feasibility / Detailed Project Report provided by the Authority as part of the BID Documents shall be deemed to be part of this RFP.

2.8 Clarifications

2.8.1 Bidders requiring any clarification on the RFP may notify the Authority in writing by e-mail in accordance with Clause 1.2.9. They should send in their queries on or before the date mentioned in the Schedule of Bidding Process specified in Clause 1.3. The Authority shall endeavor to respond to the queries within the period specified therein, but no later than 15 (fifteen) days prior to the BID Due Date. All the queries and its responses will be hosted on the GoI e-Tendering Portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in/cppp>) and NHIDCL portal without identifying the source of queries.

2.8.2 The Authority shall endeavor to respond to the questions raised or clarifications sought by the Bidders. However, the Authority reserves the right not to respond to any question or provide any clarification, in its sole discretion, and nothing in this Clause shall be taken or read as compelling or requiring the Authority to respond to any question or to provide any clarification.

2.8.3 The Authority may also on its own motion, if deemed necessary, issue interpretations & clarifications to all Bidders. All clarifications & interpretations issued by the Authority shall be deemed to be part of the Bidding Documents. Verbal clarifications and information given by Authority

or its employees or representatives shall not in any way or manner be binding on the Authority.

2.9 Amendment of RFP

- 2.9.1 At any time prior to the BID Due Date, the Authority may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to clarifications requested by a Bidder, modify the RFP by the issuance of Addenda.
- 2.9.2 Any Addendum issued hereunder will be hosted on the official website www.nhidcl.com, on the Gol e-Tendering Portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>).
- 2.9.3 In order to afford the Bidders a reasonable time for taking an Addendum into account, or for any other reason, the Authority may, in its sole discretion, extend the BID Due Date.

C. PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

2.10 Format and Signing of BID

- 2.10.1 The Bidder shall provide all the information sought under this RFP. The Authority will evaluate only those BIDs that are received online in the required formats complete in all respects and Bid Security, copy of online receipt/ original Demand Draft towards payment of cost of Bid document, POA and Joint Bidding Agreement etc. are received in hard copies.
- 2.10.2 The BID shall be typed and signed in indelible blue ink by the authorised signatory of the Bidder. All the alterations, omissions, additions or any other amendments made to the BID shall be initialed by the person(s) signing the BID.

2.11 Documents comprising Technical and Financial BID

- 2.11.1 The Bidder shall first upload all the project details, net worth details, turnover details, bridge and tunnel details and all other details required in this RFP for technical qualification. The Bidder shall ensure that all the details are updated as on the due date of submission of this bid. The Bidder shall then apply for the RFP on the CPPP website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> by submitting the documents mentioned below along with the supporting documents which shall comprise of the Technical BID on the CPPP portal:

Technical Bid

- (a) Appendix-IA (Letter comprising the Technical Bid) including Annexure I-VI and supporting certificates / documents.
- (b) Power of Attorney for signing the BID as per the format at Appendix-III;
- (c) if applicable, Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Joint Venture as per the format at Appendix-IV;
- (d) if applicable, Joint Bidding Agreement for Joint Venture as per the

format at Appendix-V;

- (e) Deleted
- (f) BID Security of Rs. 0.30 Crore, if in the form of Bank Guarantee/e-BG from a Scheduled Bank as detailed in Clause 1.2.11 above (to be submitted physically as well); or may be deposited through online facility provided by the Indusland Bank.
- (g) Copy of Online receipt towards payment of cost of BID/RFP document of required amount as mentioned in the Datasheet as detailed in clause 1.2.4 above.
- (h) Deleted;
- (i) Bidder shall comply with the provisions of Office Memorandum No. RW/NH37010/4/2010/PIC-EAP(Printing) dated 22.02.2016 and its subsequent amendments if any, issued by MoRT&H (Appendix-VI) regarding Integrity Pact (IP) and the Integrity Pact (IP) duly signed by Authorised signatory shall be submitted by the Bidder with the RFP Bid & shall be part of the Contract Agreement;
- (j) An undertaking from the person having PoA referred to in Sub. Clause-(b) above that they agree and abide by the Bid documents uploaded by NHIDCL and amendments uploaded, if any; and
- (k) Annexure-VIII of Appendix - IA showing details of all ongoing project works (Ref Clause 10.3 (iv) of Document for EPC Agreement).
- (l) Copy of Memorandum and Articles of Association, if the Bidder is a body corporate, and if a partnership then a copy of its partnership deed.
- (m) Copies of duly audited complete annual accounts of the Bidder or of each member (in case of Joint Venture) for preceding 5 years.
- (n) Copy of originals of experience certificate apostile at foreign origin, if any
- (o) Certificate regarding Compliance with Restrictions under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs) as per format given in Appendix-IX shall be submitted by the Bidder with the RFP Bid duly signed by Authorised signatory & shall be part of the Contract Agreement.

Financial Bid

- (p) Appendix-IB (Letter comprising the Financial Bid) shall be submitted online along with Technical Bid to be submitted online on Gol e-tendering portal (<https://eprocure.gov.in/cppp>) on or before Schedule time given in Data Sheet (The format of BOQ is attached as Appendix-XII).

Self-Certification

Self- certification by the Bidder that its Bid meets the Local Content requirement for 'Class - I Local supplier' / 'Class - II Local supplier', as the case may be. The Self-certification shall also have details of the location(s) at which the local value addition is made. In case, bidder do not submit the aforesaid Certification, the bidder will be summarily treated as 'Non-Local Supplier'.

In case of procurement for a value in excess of Rs. 10 crores, the 'Class - I Local supplier' / 'Class - II Local supplier' shall have to provide a Certificate from the Statutory Auditor or Cost Auditor of the Company (in case of Companies) or from a practicing Cost Accountant or practicing Chartered Accountant (in respect of Suppliers other than Companies) giving the percentage of Local Content upon Construction of the Project.

2.11.2 The Bidder shall submit the following documents physically by date and time given in Data Sheet:

- (a) Original Power of Attorney for signing the BID as per format at Appendix-III;
- (b) if applicable, Original Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Joint Venture as per the format at Appendix-IV;
- (c) if applicable, Original Joint Bidding Agreement for Joint Venture as per the format at Appendix-V;
- (d) Original BID Security in the format at Appendix-II;
- (e) Copy of online receipt / original Demand Draft towards payment of cost of Bid/RFP document of required amount mentioned in the Datasheet;
- (f) Deleted;
- (g) Bidder shall comply with the provisions of Office Memorandum No. RW/NH- 37010/4/2010/PIC-EAP(Printing) dated 22.02.2016 and its subsequent amendments if any issued by MoRT&H (Appendix-VI) regarding Integrity Pact (IP) and the Original Integrity Pact (IP) duly signed by Authorised signatory shall be submitted by the Bidder with the RFP Bid & shall be part of the Contract Agreement; and
- (h) An undertaking from the person having PoA referred to in Sub. Clause-(a) above that they agree and abide by the Bid documents uploaded by NHIDCL and Addenda uploaded, if any;
- (i) Originals of experience certificate apostilled at foreign origin, if any
- (j) Certificate regarding Compliance with Restrictions under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs) as per format given in Appendix-XII shall be submitted by the Bidder with the RFP Bid duly signed by Authorised signatory & shall be part of the Contract Agreement.

2.11.3 The documents listed at clause 2.11.2 shall be placed in an envelope, which shall be sealed. The envelope shall clearly bear the identification "BID for Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP". and shall clearly indicate the name and address of the Bidder. In addition, the BID Due Date should be indicated on the right-hand top corner of the envelope.

2.11.4 The envelope shall be addressed to the officer designated whose Name and Address is given in the Data Sheet.

2.11.5 If the envelope is not sealed and marked as instructed above, the Authority assumes no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the contents of the BID submitted and consequent losses, if any, suffered by the Bidder.

2.11.6 BIDs submitted by fax, telex, telegram or e-mail shall not be entertained and shall be summarily rejected.

2.12 BID Due Date

BID comprising of the documents listed at clause 2.11.1 of the RFP shall be submitted online through e-procurement CPPP website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> on or before the deadline given in the Data Sheet. Documents listed at clause 2.11.2 of the RFP shall be physically submitted on or before the deadline & Address given in the Data Sheet in the manner and form as detailed in this RFP. A receipt thereof should be obtained from the person specified at Clause 2.11.4.

2.13 Late BIDs

E-procurement portal CPPP website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> shall not allow submission of any Bid after the prescribed date and time given in the Data Sheet. Physical receipt of documents listed at clause 2.11.2 of the RFP after the prescribed date and time given in the Data Sheet shall not be considered and the bid shall be summarily rejected.

2.14 Procedure for e-tendering

2.14.1 Accessing/ Purchasing of BID documents

2.14.1.1 It is mandatory for all the Bidders to have class-III Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) (in the name of Authorized Signatory / Firm or Organisation / Owner of the Firm or Organisation) from any of the licensed Certifying Agency (Bidders can see the list of licensed CAs from the link www.cca.gov.in) to participate in e-tendering of NHIDCL.

DSC should be in the name of the authorized signatory as authorized in Appendix III of this RFP or person executing/delegating such Appendix III in favour of Authorized Signatory. It should be in corporate capacity (that is in Bidder capacity / in case of JV in the Lead Member capacity, as applicable). The Bidder shall submit document in support of the class III DSC. In other cases, the bid shall be considered non-responsive.

2.14.1.2 To participate in the bidding, it is mandatory for the Bidders to get registered their firm/ Joint Venture with e-procurement portal <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> to have user ID & password which has to be obtained free of cost. Following may kindly be noted:

(a) Registration with e-procurement portal should be valid at least up to the date of submission of BID.

(b) BIDs can be submitted only during the validity of registration.

It is also mandatory for the Bidders to get their firms registered with e-tendering portal. The Bidders shall update their project and other details on the portal on a regular basis and apply to the tenders via the portal.

2.14.1.3 If the firm / Joint Venture is already registered with e-tendering service provider, and validity of registration is not expired, then the firm / Joint Venture is not required a fresh registration.

2.14.1.4 The complete BID document can be viewed / downloaded by the Bidder from e- procurement portal [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) and <https://nhidcl.com>

2.14.1.5 Deleted

2.14.2 Preparation & Submission of BIDs:

2.14.2.1 The Bidder may submit his Bid online following the instructions appearing on the screen. The detailed guidelines for e-procurement is also available on e- procurement portal.

2.14.2.2 The documents listed at clause 2.11.1 shall be prepared and scanned in different files (in PDF or RAR format such that file size is not more than 30 MB) and uploaded during the on-line submission of BID.

2.14.2.3 Bid must be submitted online only through e-procurement portal [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) using the digital signature of authorised representative of the Bidder on or before the deadline given in the Data Sheet.

2.14.3 Modifications/ Substitution/ withdrawal of BIDs

2.14.3.1 The Bidder may modify, substitute or withdraw its e- BID after submission prior to the BID Due Date. No BID can be modified, substituted or withdrawn by the Bidder on or after the BID Due Date & Time.

2.14.3.2 For modification of e-BID, Bidder has to detach its old BID from e-procurement portal and upload / resubmit digitally signed modified BID. For withdrawal of BID, Bidder has to click on withdrawal icon at e-procurement portal and can withdraw its e-BID. Before withdrawal of a BID, it may specifically be noted that after withdrawal of a BID for any reason, Bidder cannot re-submit e-BID again.

2.15 Online Opening of BIDs.

2.15.1 Opening of BIDs will be done through online process.

2.15.2 The NHIDCL shall on-line open Technical BIDs on date and time given in Data Sheet, in the presence of the authorized representatives of the Bidders, who choose to attend. Technical BID of only those Bidders shall be online opened whose documents listed at clause 2.11.2 of the RFP have been physically received. The NHIDCL will subsequently examine and evaluate the BIDs in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of RFP.

2.16 Rejection of BIDs

2.16.1 Notwithstanding anything contained in this RFP, the Authority reserves the right to reject any BID and to annul the Bidding Process and reject all BIDs at any time without any liability or any obligation for such acceptance, rejection or annulment, and without assigning any reasons thereof. In the event that the Authority rejects or annuls all the BIDs, it may, in its discretion, invite all eligible Bidders to submit fresh BIDs hereunder.

2.16.2 The Authority reserves the right not to proceed with the Bidding Process at any time, without notice or liability, and to reject any BID without assigning any reasons.

2.17 Validity of BIDs

The BIDs shall be valid for a period of not less than 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the BID Due Date. The validity of BIDs may be extended by mutual consent of the respective Bidders and the Authority.

2.18 Confidentiality

Information relating to the examination, clarification, evaluation and recommendation for the Bidders shall not be disclosed to any person who is not officially concerned with the process or is not a retained professional advisor advising the Authority in relation to, or matters arising out of, or concerning the Bidding Process. The Authority will treat all information, submitted as part of the BID, in confidence and will require all those who have access to such material to treat the same in confidence. The Authority may not divulge any such information unless it is directed to do so by any statutory entity that has the power under law to require its disclosure or is to enforce or assert any right or privilege of the statutory entity and/ or the Authority or as may be required by law or in connection with any legal process.

2.19 Correspondence with the Bidder

Save and except as provided in this RFP, the Authority shall not entertain any correspondence with any Bidder in relation to acceptance or rejection of any BID. However, the Authority would display the result of technical evaluation on the web portal for 7 days including reasons for non- responsiveness, if any, and the financial bid will be opened thereafter.

D. BID SECURITY

2.20 BID Security:

The Bidder shall furnish as part of its BID, a BID Security referred to in Clause 1.2.10 herein above in the form of a DD/FD/ Bank Guarantee/e-BG issued by nationalized bank, or a Scheduled Bank in India having a net worth of at least Rs. 1,000 crores (Rs. one thousand crore), amongst the list of banks available at NHIDCL website (<https://nhidcl.com>), in favour of the Authority in the format at Appendix-II (the “**Bank Guarantee**”) and having a validity period of not less than 180 (one hundredeighty) days from the BID Due Date, inclusive of a claim period of 60 (sixty) days, and may be extended as may be mutually agreed between the Authority and the Bidder from time to time. A scanned copy of the Bank Guarantee shall be uploaded on e-procurement portal while applying to the tender. This Bank Guarantee shall be transmitted through SFMS Gateway to [Ministry/NHAI/NHIDCL/State PWD/BRO]’s Bank. The Authority reserves the right to add or remove any of names bank on which BG shall be accepted based on advisories from the Govt./RBI. The BGs issued by ‘Foreign Banks’ and Banks not mentioned in the given list shall not be accepted.

- 2.20.1 Any BID not accompanied by the BID Security shall be summarily rejected by the Authority as non-responsive.
- 2.20.2 The Selected Bidder’s BID Security will be returned, without any interest, upon the Bidder signing the Contract Agreement and furnishing the Performance Security in accordance with the provisions thereof. The Authority may, at the Selected Bidder’s option, adjust the amount of BID Security in the amount of Performance Security to be provided by him in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.
- 2.20.3 The Authority shall be entitled to forfeit and appropriate the BID Security as Damages inter alia in any of the events specified in Clause 2.20.5 herein below. The Bidder, by submitting its BID pursuant to this RFP, shall be deemed to have acknowledged and confirmed that the Authority will suffer loss and damage on account of withdrawal of its BID or for any other default by the Bidder during the period of BID validity as specified in this RFP. No relaxation of any kind on BID Security shall be given to any Bidder.
- 2.20.4 The BID Security shall be forfeited and appropriated by the Authority as damages payable to the Authority for, inter-alia, time cost and effort of the Authority without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the bidding documents and / or under the Agreement, or otherwise, under the following conditions:
 - a) Deleted
 - b) If a Bidder engages in a corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice as specified in Section 4 of this RFP;
 - c) If a Bidder withdraws its BID during the period of Bid validity as specified in this RFP and as extended by mutual consent of the respective Bidder(s) and the Authority;
 - d) In the case of Selected Bidder, if it fails within the specified/extended time limit by Authority -
 - i. to sign and return the duplicate copy of LOA;

- ii. to furnish the Performance Security /Additional Performance Security (if any) as per Clause 2.21; or
- iii. to sign the Agreement;

2.21 Performance Security

(a) Within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of Letter of Acceptance, the selected Bidder shall furnish to the Authority an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a bank (e-BG/BG), amongst the list of banks available at NHIDCL website (<https://nhidcl.com>) only, in the form set forth in Appendix-VII (the “Performance Security”) for an amount equal to **3% (three percent)** of its Bid Price. In case of bids mentioned below, the Selected Bidder, along with the Performance Security, shall also furnish to the Authority an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee from a bank (e-BG) given at Appendix-VII towards an Additional Performance Security (the “Additional Performance Security”) for an amount calculated as under: (i) If the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder is lower than 20% of the estimated project cost/cost put to tender, the Additional Performance Security shall be calculated @20% of the difference in the (i) Estimated Project Cost (as mentioned in RFP) - 20% of the Estimated Project Cost and (ii) the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder. (ii) Maximum limit of additional performance security shall be limited to 3% of the bid price offered by the Selected Bidder. (iii) This “Additional Performance Security shall be treated as part of Performance Security.

For E-BGs, Entity ID of NHIDCL is AAECN7759E, which may be quoted for getting E-BG. The E-BGs shall be as per the format specified in Appendix N of this RFP document and shall be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the bid. The bank details (Bank Name, IFSC etc.) are given below:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name of Beneficiary	MD-NHIDCL
2.	Beneficiary Bank Account No.	90621010002659
3.	Beneficiary Bank Branch Name and Address	Canara Bank, Transport Bhawan, 1st Parliament Street, New Delhi- 110001
4.	Beneficiary Bank Branch IFSC	CNRB0019062

For further details, the bidders may visit the website of National E Governance Services Limited at <https://nesl.co.in/e-bg/> . Also, the bidders may refer to the Office Order of NHIDCL displayed on the website <https://nhidcl.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Notice-for-e-PBG-Tender-Fee-and-EMD.pdf> for ready reference.

(b) DELETED

2.21.1 The Performance Security shall be valid until 60 (sixty) days after the Defects Liability Period. The Additional Performance Security shall be valid until 28 (twenty-eight) days after Project Completion Date.

- 2.21.2 The Selected Bidder has the option to provide 50% of the Performance Security and 50% of the Additional Performance Security, if any, within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of Letter of Acceptance, in any case before signing of the Contract Agreement and the remaining Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, shall be submitted within 30 days of signing of the agreement.
- 2.21.3 In the event the Selected Bidder fails to provide the remaining Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, as prescribed herein, it may seek extension of time for a further period up to 60 days by paying the Damages upfront along with the request letter seeking the extension. The Damages shall be the sum calculated at the rate of 0.01% (zero point zero one per cent) of the Bid Price offered by the Selected Bidder for each day until the Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, is provided in full as prescribed herein. The damages at full rate as given above shall be applicable even if a part of the Performance Security and the Additional Performance Security is provided.
- 2.21.4 For avoidance of any doubt, in case of failure of submission of Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, within the additional 60 days' time period, the award shall be deemed to be cancelled/ withdrawn. Bid security shall be encashed and the proceeds thereof appropriate by the Authority. Thereupon all rights, privileges, claims and entitlements of the Contractor under or arising out of the Award shall be deemed to have been waived by, and to have ceased with the concurrence of the Contractor, and the Award shall be deemed to have been withdrawn by the Authority.
- 2.22 The agreement will be executed within 10 days of receipt of 50% Performance Security and 50% of Additional Performance Security, if any, as per sub-clause 2.21 above.

SECTION-3

EVALUATION OF TECHNICAL BIDS AND OPENING & EVALUATION OFFINANCIAL BIDS

3.1 Evaluation of Technical Bids

- 3.1.1 The Authority shall open the BIDs received at date, time & place given in Data Sheet, at the place specified in Clause 2.11.4 (i); and in the presence of the Bidders who choose to attend. The Authority shall prepare minutes of the BID opening, including information disclosed to those present at the time of BID opening.
- 3.1.2 Technical Bids of those Bidders who have not submitted their Bid online, shall not be considered for opening and evaluation.
- 3.1.3 If any information furnished by the Bidder is found to be incomplete, or contained in formats other than those specified herein, the Authority may, in its sole discretion, exclude the relevant information for consideration of eligibility and qualification of the Bidder.
- 3.1.4 To facilitate evaluation of Technical BIDs, the Authority may, at its sole discretion, seek clarifications in writing from any Bidder regarding its Technical BID. Such clarification(s) shall be provided within the time specified by the Authority for this purpose. Any request for clarification(s) and all clarification(s) in response thereto shall be in writing. The bids will be examined and evaluated in accordance with the provisions set out in this Section 3. The Authority will subsequently flag issues, if any with the data updated by the Bidders.
- 3.1.5 If a Bidder does not provide clarifications sought under Clause 3.1.4 above within the prescribed time, its Bid may be liable to be rejected. In case the Bid is not rejected, the Authority may proceed to evaluate the Bid by construing the particulars requiring clarification to the best of its understanding, and the Bidder shall be barred from subsequently questioning such interpretation of the Authority.
- 3.1.6 Tests of responsiveness
 - 3.1.6.1 As a first step towards evaluation of Technical BIDs, the Authority shall determine whether each Technical BID is responsive to the requirements of this RFP. A Technical BID shall be considered responsive only if:
 - (a) Technical BID is received online as per the format at Appendix-IA including Annexure I, IV, V and VI (Bid Capacity format);
 - (b) Documents listed at clause 2.11.2 are received physically;
 - (c) Technical Bid is accompanied by the BID Security as specified in Clause 1.2.4 and 2.20;

- (d) The Power of Attorney is uploaded on e-procurement portal as specified in Clause 2.1.5;
- (e) Technical Bid is accompanied by Power of Attorney for Lead Member of Joint Venture and the Joint Bidding Agreement as specified in Clause 2.1.6, if so required;
- (f) Technical Bid contains all the information (complete in all respects);
- (g) Technical Bid does not contain any condition or qualification; and
- (h) Copy of online receipt towards payment of cost of Bid document/RFP of required amount (as mentioned in Datasheet) is received.

3.1.6.2 The Authority reserves the right to reject any Technical BID which is non-responsive and no request for alteration, modification, substitution or withdrawal shall be entertained by the Authority in respect of such BID.

3.1.7 In the event that a Bidder claims credit for an Eligible Project, and such claim is determined by the Authority as incorrect or erroneous, the Authority may reject / correct such claim for the purpose of qualification requirements.

3.1.8 The Authority will evaluate the Technical BIDs for their compliance to the eligibility and qualification requirements pursuant to clause 2.2.1 & 2.2.2 of this RFP.

3.1.9 After evaluation of Technical Bids, the Authority will publish a list of Technically Responsive Bidders whose financial bids shall be opened. The Authority shall notify other Bidders that they have not been technically responsive. The Authority will not entertain any query or clarification from Applicants who fail to qualify.

3.2 Opening and Evaluation of Financial Bids

The Authority shall inform the venue and time of online opening of the Financial Bids to the technically responsive Bidders through e-procurement portal and e-mail. The Authority shall open the online Financial Bids of the technically responsive Bidders only on scheduled date and time in the presence of the authorised representatives of the Bidders who may choose to attend. The Authority shall publicly announce the Bid Prices quoted by the technically responsive Bidder. Thereafter, the Authority shall prepare a record of opening of Financial Bids.

3.3 Selection of Bidder

3.3.1 Subject to the provisions of Clause 2.16.1, the Bidder whose BID is adjudged as responsive in terms of Clause 3.1.6. The bidder shall be declared as the selected Bidder (the "Selected Bidder") in pursuance to the procedure defined hereunder:

- (a) Among all the responsive bidder, the lowest bidder will be termed as L1. If L1 is 'Class-I Local Supplier', the contract will be awarded to L1.

- (ii) If L1 is not 'Class - I local supplier' the lowest bidder among the 'Class - I local supplier', will be invited to match L1 price subject to Class I local supplier's quoted price falling within the margin of purchase preference, and the contract will be awarded to such 'Class - I local supplier' subject to matching the L1 price.
- (iii) In case such lowest eligible 'Class - I local supplier' fails to match the L1 price, the 'Class - I local supplier' with the next higher bid within the margin of purchase preference shall be invited to match the L1 price and so on and contract shall be awarded accordingly.

In case none of the 'Class - I local supplier' within the margin of purchase Preference matches the L1 price, the contract shall be awarded to the L1 bidder.

'Margin of purchase preference' means the maximum extent to which the price quoted by a 'Class - I local supplier' may be above the L1 for the purpose of purchase preference. The margin of purchase preference shall be 20%.

- 3.3.2 In the event that two or more Bidders quote the same BID Price (the "**Tie BIDs**"), the Authority shall identify the Selected Bidder by draw of lots, which shall be conducted, with prior notice, in the presence of the Tie Bidders who choose to attend.
- 3.3.3 In the event that the Lowest Bidder is not selected for any reason except the reason mentioned in Clause 2.1.12 (b) (4), the Authority shall annul the Bidding Process and invite fresh BIDs. In the event that the Authority rejects or annuls all the BIDs, it may, in its discretion, invite all eligible Bidders to submit fresh BIDs hereunder.
- 3.3.4 After selection, a Letter of Acceptance (the "**LOA**") shall be issued in the format set forth in Appendix-VIII, in duplicate, by the Authority to the Selected Bidder and the Selected Bidder shall, within 7 (seven) days of the receipt of the LOA, sign and return the duplicate copy of the LOA in acknowledgement thereof. In the event the duplicate copy of the LOA duly signed by the Selected Bidder is not received by the stipulated date, the Authority may, unless it consents to extension of time for submission thereof, may withdraw the LOA and debar the selected bidder from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL for a period of One year, on account of failure of the Selected Bidder to acknowledge the LOA.
- 3.3.5 After acknowledgement of the LOA as aforesaid by the Selected Bidder, it shall cause the Bidder to submit Performance Security and Additional Performance Security (if any) within the period prescribed/extended by Authority and then execute the Agreement within the period prescribed given in Data Sheet. The Selected Bidder shall not be entitled to seek any deviation, modification or amendment in the Agreement.
- 3.3.6 Authority shall return Bid Security of all bidders except L-1 and L -2 within 7 working days from opening of financial Bid subject to provision of Clause 2.1.12 4). The bid security of L-2 bidder shall be returned within 7 working

days of issue of LOA. The Authority shall be responsible to return the Bid.

3.4 Contacts during BID Evaluation

BIDs shall be deemed to be under consideration immediately after they are opened and until such time the Authority makes official intimation of award/ rejection to the Bidders. While the BIDs are under consideration, Bidders and/ or their representatives or other interested parties are advised to refrain, save and except as required under the Bidding Documents, from contacting by any means, the Authority and/ or their employees/ representatives on matters related to the BIDs under consideration.

3.5 Correspondence with Bidder

Save and except as provided in this RFP, the Authority shall not entertain any correspondence with any Bidder in relation to the acceptance or rejection of any Bid.

- 3.6** Any information contained in the Bid shall not in any way be construed as binding on the Authority, its agents, successors or assigns, but shall be binding against the Bidder if the Project is subsequently awarded to it on the basis of such information.

SECTION-4 FRAUD AND CORRUPT PRACTICES

- 4.1 The Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisers shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the Bidding Process and subsequent to the issue of the LOA and during the subsistence of the Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, or in the LOA or the Agreement, the Authority may reject a BID, withdraw the LOA, or terminate the Agreement, as the case may be, without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Bidder, if it determines that the Bidder, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice in the Bidding Process. In such an event, the Authority shall be entitled to debar the Selected Bidder from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL for a period of One year and forfeit & appropriate the Performance Security, as damages, without prejudice to any other right or remedy that may be available to the Authority under the Bidding Documents and/ or the Agreement, or otherwise.
- 4.2 Without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under Clause 4.1 hereinabove and the rights and remedies which the Authority may have under the LOA or the Agreement, or otherwise if a Bidder or Contractor, as the case may be, is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice during the Bidding Process, or after the issue of the LOA or the execution of the Agreement, such Bidder shall not be eligible to participate in any tender or RFP issued by the Authority during a period of 1 (one) year from the date such Bidder, or Contractor, as the case may be, is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practices, as the case may be.
- 4.3 For the purposes of this Section 4, the following terms shall have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:
- (a) “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value, pressurizing to influence the action of a public official in the process of tendering and execution of the project;
 - (b) “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation or omission of facts or suppression of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, in order to influence the Bidding Process;
 - (c) “Coercive practice” means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any person or property to influence any person’s participation or action in the Bidding Process;
 - (d) “Undesirable practice” means (i) establishing contact with any person connected with or employed or engaged by the Authority with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Bidding Process; or (ii) having a Conflict of Interest; and

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- (e) “Restrictive practice” means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Bidders with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Bidding Process.

**SECTION-5
PRE-BID CONFERENCE**

- 5.1 Pre-BID conference of the Bidders shall be convened at the designated date, time and place. A maximum of two representatives of prospective Bidders shall be allowed to participate on production of authority letter from the Bidder.
- 5.2 During the course of Pre-Bid conference(s), the Bidders will be free to seek clarifications and make suggestions for consideration of the Authority. The Authority shall endeavor to provide clarifications and such further information as it may, in its sole discretion, consider appropriate for facilitating a fair, transparent and competitive Bidding Process.

SECTION-6

MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1 The Bidding Process shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of India and the Courts at [New Delhi] shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all disputes arising under, pursuant to and/ or in connection with the Bidding Process.
- 6.2 The Authority, in its sole discretion and without incurring any obligation or liability, reserves the right, at any time, to;
- (a) suspend and/ or cancel the Bidding Process and/ or amend and/ or supplement the Bidding Process or modify the dates or other terms and conditions relating thereto;
 - (b) consult with any Bidder in order to receive clarification or further information;
 - (c) retain any information and/ or evidence submitted to the Authority by, on behalf of, and/ or in relation to any Bidder; and/ or
 - (d) independently verify, disqualify, reject and/ or accept any and all submissions or other information and/ or evidence submitted by or on behalf of any Bidder.
- 6.3 It shall be deemed that by submitting the Bid, the Bidder agrees and releases the Authority, its employees, agents and advisers, irrevocably, unconditionally, fully and finally from any and all liability for claims, losses, damages, costs, expenses or liabilities in any way related to or arising from the exercise of any rights and/ or performance of any obligations hereunder, pursuant hereto and/ or in connection with the Bidding Process and waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, any and all rights and/ or claims it may have in this respect, whether actual or contingent, whether present or in future.

SECTION-7

DATA SHEET

(As Mentioned in RFP)

1 Bidding Schedule (Refer Clauses 1.1.5, 1.3, 2.11.4(i), 2.12, 2.13, 2.14.2.3, 2.15.2 & 3.1.1)

Sl. No.	Event Description	Date
1.	Invitation of RFP (NIT)	14/03/2024
2.	Last date for receiving queries	02/04/2024 at 1100 hrs
3.	Pre-BID meeting	02/04/2024 at 1100 hrs
4.	Authority response to queries latest by	09/04/2024
5.	BID submission start date	15/04/2024
6.	Last date of Request for BID Document	29/04/2024 up to 1500 hrs
7.	BID Due Date	30/04/2024 up to 1500 hrs
8.	Physical Submission of Bid Documents (listed in RFP)/POA etc.	Upto 15:00 hrs IST on the date technical opening
9.	Opening of Technical BIDs at venue 2.11.4 (i)	01/05/2024 up to 1630 hrs
10.	Declaration of eligible / qualified Bidders	The dates will be hosted on the GOI e-tendering Portal http://eprocure.gov.in/cpp and NHIDCL Portal.
11.	Opening of Financial BID	
12.	Letter of Acceptance (LOA)	
13.	Return of signed duplicate copy of LOA	
14.	Validity of BID	120 days from BID Due Date.
15.	Submission of Performance Security (PS) and Additional Performance Security (APS), if any	Within 30 days of receipt of LOA. (The bidder has the option to provide 50% of PS and APS, if any within 30 days of receipt of LOA and the remaining PS and APS, if any to be provided within 30 days of signing of agreement).
16.	Signing of Agreement	Inform later

2. Cost of BID/RFP document : Rs. 11,800/-(Inc of 18% GST)
(Refer Clause 1.2.4 of RFP)

3. Officer Designated (Refer Clause No. 1.2.9 & 2.11.4)

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4. Threshold Technical Capacity : Rs. 22.50 Cr.
[Refer Clause 2.2.2.2 (i)]

5	Data/Details for similar work (Technical Capacity) [Refer Clause No. 2.2.2.2 (ii)]	:	Rs. 6.00 Cr.																												
5.1	Definition	:	(2.2.2.2(ii))																												
a.	Estimated Project Cost (Excl. GST)	:	Rs 30.00 Crore																												
b.	Tunnel/Major Bridge (if any)	:	Yes																												
(i)	Cross-sectional Area of proposed Tunnel(in case of Tunnel)	:	NA																												
(ii)	Length of Tunnel to be constructed	:	NA																												
(iii)	Longest Span of Major Bridge/ ROB /Flyover to be constructed	:	216 m																												
6	Performance Security (Refer Clause No.2.21.1)	:	Equal to 3% (three percent) of its Bid Price.																												
7.	Financial Years	:	<table> <tr> <th>Sr. No</th><th>Year No.</th><th>Up-dation factor</th><th>Financial Year</th></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>Year 1</td><td>1.00</td><td>FY 2022-23</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>Year 2</td><td>1.05</td><td>FY 2021-22</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>Year 3</td><td>1.10</td><td>FY 2020-21</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>Year 4</td><td>1.15</td><td>FY 2019-20</td></tr> <tr> <td>5</td><td>Year 5</td><td>1.20</td><td>FY 2018-19</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">Note: In case of more no. of years the up-gradation factor will increase by 5%.</td></tr> </table>	Sr. No	Year No.	Up-dation factor	Financial Year	1	Year 1	1.00	FY 2022-23	2	Year 2	1.05	FY 2021-22	3	Year 3	1.10	FY 2020-21	4	Year 4	1.15	FY 2019-20	5	Year 5	1.20	FY 2018-19	Note: In case of more no. of years the up-gradation factor will increase by 5%.			
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8.	Bid Security	:	Rs 0.30 Cr.																												

Guidance Note

Note 1: The cost of Bid/RFP document may be determined at the rate of Rs. 10,000 for every Rs. 100 crore or part thereof comprising the Estimated Project Cost. Thus, the cost of an RFP document for a project of Rs. 200 crores shall be Rs. 20,000. GST @18% must be added in the Bid/RFP document cost.

Note 2: The Threshold Technical Capacity amount should be as follows:

As	As Estimated Project Cost (EPC) of the Project being invited	Threshold Technical Capacity
1	Estimated Project Cost \leq 100 Crore	0.75 time of Estimated Project Cost
2	Estimated Project Cost $>$ 100 Crore $\&$ \leq 500 Crore	1.0 times of Estimated Project Cost
3	Estimated Project Cost $>$ 500 Crore $\&$ \leq 1000 Crore project	1.0 times of Estimated Project Cost
4	Estimated Project Cost \geq 1000 Crore project	1.0 times of Estimated Project Cost or Rs. 1000 crore, whichever is less
5	Estimated Project Cost $>$ 1000 Crore of standalone specialized projects	1.0 times of Estimated Project Cost or Rs. 1000 crore, whichever is less

Note 3: While extending the BID Due Date on account of an addendum, the Authority shall have due regard for the time required by Bidders to address the amendments specified therein. In the case of significant amendments, at least 15(fifteen) days shall be provided between the date of amendment and the BID Due Date, and in the case of minor amendments, at least 7 (seven) days shall be provided.

APPENDIX -IA
LETTER COMPRISING THE TECHNICAL BID
(Refer Clause 2.1.4, 2.11 and 3.1.6)

The General Manager (Tech),
National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation
Limited 3rd Floor, PTI Building, 4- Parliament Street,
New Delhi - 110001

Sub: BID for “[..... Name of the Work.....]”.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your RFP document dated xx/xx/2023, I/we, having examined the Bidding Documents and understood their contents, hereby submit my/our BID for the aforesaid Project. The BID is unconditional and unqualified.

2. I/ We acknowledge that the Authority will be relying on the information provided in the BID and the documents accompanying the BID for selection of the Contractor for the aforesaid Project, and we certify that all information provided in the Bid and its Annexure I to VI along with the supporting documents are true and correct; nothing has been omitted which renders such information misleading; and all documents accompanying the BID are true copies of their respective originals.
3. This statement is made for the express purpose of our selection as EPC Contractor for the development, construction, rehabilitation and augmentation of the aforesaid Project and maintenance of the Project during the Defect Liability Period.
4. I/ We shall make available to the Authority any additional information it may find necessary or require to supplement or authenticate the BID.
5. I/ We acknowledge the right of the Authority to reject our BID without assigning any reason or otherwise and hereby waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
6. I/ We certify that in the last two years, we/ any of the JV partners have neither failed to perform for the works of Expressways, National Highways, ISC & EI works, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitration award against us, nor been expelled or terminated by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for breach on our part.

7. I/ We declare that:
 - (a) I/ We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including any Addendum issued by the Authority; and
 - (b) I/We do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with Clauses 2.2.1 (c) and 2.6.4 of the RFP documents; and
 - (c) I/We have not directly or indirectly or through an agent engaged or indulged in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice, as defined in Clause 4.3 of the RFP document, in respect of any tender or request for proposal issued by or any Agreement entered into with the Authority or any other public sector enterprise or any government, Central or State; and
 - (d) I/ We hereby certify that we have taken steps to ensure that in conformity with the provisions of Section 4 of the RFP, no person acting for us or on our behalf has engaged or will engage in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice; and
 - (e) the undertakings given by us along with the Application in response to the RFP for the Project and information mentioned for the evaluation of the BID Capacity in Annexure VI were true and correct as on the date of making the Application and are also true and correct as on the BID Due Date and I/we shall continue to abide by them.
8. I/ We understand that you may cancel the Bidding Process at any time and that you are neither bound to accept any BID that you may receive nor to invite the Bidders to BID for the Project, without incurring any liability to the Bidders, in accordance with Clause 2.16.2 of the RFP document.
9. I/We believe that we/our Joint Venture satisfy(s) the Threshold Technical Capacity, Net Worth criteria and meet(s) the requirements as specified in the RFP document.
10. I/ We declare that we/ any Member of the Joint Venture or our/ Joint Venture member, are not a member of any other Joint Venture submitting a BID for the Project.
11. I/ We certify that in regard to matters other than security and integrity of the country, we/ any Member of the Joint Venture or any of our/their Joint venture member have not been convicted by a Court of Law or indicted or adverse orders passed by a regulatory authority which could cast a doubt on our ability to undertake the Project which relates to a grave offence that outrages the moral sense of the community.
12. I/ We further certify that in regard to matters relating to security and integrity of the country, we/ any Member of the Joint Venture or any of our/their Joint venture member have not been charge-sheeted by any agency

of the Government or convicted by a Court of Law.

13. I/ We further certify that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending either against us/any member of Joint Venture or against our CEO or any of our directors/ managers/ employees.
14. I/ We further certify that we are not disqualified in terms of the additional criteria specified by the Department of Disinvestment in their OM No. 6/4/2001-DD-II dated 13.7.01, a copy of which forms part of the RFP at Annexure VII of Appendix-IA thereof.
15. I/ We undertake that in case due to any change in facts or circumstances during the Bidding Process, we are attracted by the provisions of disqualification in terms of the guidelines referred to above, we shall intimate the Authority of the same immediately.
16. I/We further acknowledge and agree that in the event such change in control occurs after signing of the Agreement upto its validity. It would, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Agreement, be deemed a breach thereof, and the Agreement shall be liable to be terminated without the Authority being liable to us in any manner whatsoever
17. I/ We hereby irrevocably waive any right or remedy which we may have at any stage at law or howsoever otherwise arising to challenge or question any decision taken by the Authority in connection with the selection of the Bidder, or in connection with the Bidding Process itself, in respect of the above-mentioned Project and the terms and implementation thereof.
18. In the event of my/ our being declared as the Selected Bidder, I/we agree to enter into a Agreement in accordance with the draft that has been provided to me/us prior to the BID Due Date. We agree not to seek any changes in the aforesaid draft and agree to abide by the same.
19. I/ We have studied all the Bidding Documents carefully and also surveyed the [project highway and the traffic]. We understand that except to the extent as expressly set forth in the Agreement, we shall have no claim, right or title arising out of any documents or information provided to us by the Authority or in respect of any matter arising out of or relating to the Bidding Process including the award of Agreement.
20. DELETED.
21. DELETED.
22. The documents accompanying the Technical BID, as specified in Clause 2.11.1 of the RFP, have been submitted in separate files.

23. I/ We agree and understand that the BID is subject to the provisions of the Bidding Documents. In no case, I/we shall have any claim or right of whatsoever nature if the Project / Contract is not awarded to me/us or our BID is not opened or rejected.
24. The BID Price has been quoted by me/us after taking into consideration all the terms and conditions stated in the RFP, draft Agreement, our own estimates of costs and after a careful assessment of the site and all the conditions that may affect the project cost and implementation of the project.
25. I/ We agree and undertake to abide by all the terms and conditions of the RFP document.
26. {We, the Joint Venture agree and undertake to be jointly and severally liable for. all the obligations of the EPC Contractor under the Contract Agreement}.
27. I/ We shall keep this offer valid for 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the BID Due Date specified in the RFP.
28. I/ We hereby submit our BID and offer a BID Price as indicated in Financial Bid for undertaking the aforesaid Project in accordance with the Bidding Documents and the Agreement.

In witness thereof, I/we submit this BID under and in accordance with the terms of the RFP document.

Yours faithfully,

Date: _____ (Signature, name and Designation
Place: _____ of the Authorised signatory)

Name & seal of Bidder/Lead Member

Note: Paragraphs in curly parenthesis may be omitted by the Bidder, if not applicable to it, and 'Deleted' may be indicated there.

APPENDIX - IB
LETTER COMPRISING THE FINANCIAL BID
(Refer Clauses 2.1.4, 2.11 and 3.1.6)

Dated:

The General Manager (Tech),
National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation
Limited 3rd Floor, PTI Building, 4- Parliament Street,
New Delhi - 110001

Sub: BID for “[..... Name of the Work.....]”.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your RFP document dated xx/xx/2023, I/we, having examined the Bidding Documents and understood their contents, hereby submit my/our BID for the aforesaid Project. The BID is unconditional and unqualified.

2. I/ We acknowledge that the Authority will be relying on the information provided in the BID and the documents accompanying the BID for selection of the Contractor for the aforesaid Project, and we certify that all information provided in the Bid are true and correct; nothing has been omitted which renders such information misleading; and all documents accompanying the BID are true copies of their respective originals.
3. The BID Price has been quoted by me/us after taking into consideration all the terms and conditions stated in the RFP, draft Agreement, our own estimates of costs and after a careful assessment of the site and all the conditions that may affect the project cost and implementation of the project.
4. I/ We acknowledge the right of the Authority to reject our BID without assigning any reason or otherwise and hereby waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, our right to challenge the same on any account whatsoever.
5. In the event of my/ our being declared as the Selected Bidder, I/we agree to enter into a Agreement in accordance with the draft that has been provided to me/us prior to the BID Due Date. We agree not to seek any changes in the aforesaid draft and agree to abide by the same.
6. I/ We shall keep this offer valid for 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the BID Due Date specified in the RFP.
7. I/ We hereby submit our BID and offer a BID Price mentioned in the Financial Bid submitted online for undertaking the aforesaid Project in accordance with the Bidding Documents and the Agreement.

Yours faithfully,

Date:

(Signature, name and designation of the
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Construction of Major bridge at Design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road (NH-313) in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC Mode under SARDP.”

Place:

Authorised Signatory)

Name & seal of Bidder/Lead Member:

Class III DSC ID of Authorised
Signatory:

ANNEX-I
Details of Bidder

1.
 - (a) Name:
 - (b) Country of incorporation:
 - (c) Address of the corporate headquarters and its branch office(s), if any, in India:
 - (d) Date of incorporation and/ or commencement of business:
2. Brief description of the Bidder including details of its main lines of business and proposed role and responsibilities in this Project:
3. Details of individual(s) who will serve as the point of contact / communication for the Authority:
 - (a) Name:
 - (b) Designation:
 - (c) Company:
 - (d) Address:
 - (e) Telephone Number:
 - (f) E-Mail Address:
 - (g) Fax Number:
4. Particulars of the Authorised Signatory of the Bidder:
 - (a) Name:
 - (b) Designation:
 - (c) Address:
 - (d) Phone Number:
 - (e) Fax Number:
 - (f) Class III Digital Signature Certificate ID number
5. In case of a Joint Venture:
 - (a) The information above (1-4) should be provided for all the Members of the Joint Venture.
 - (b) A copy of the Jt. Bidding Agreement, as envisaged in Clause 2.1.11(f) should be attached to the Application.
 - (c) Information regarding the role of each Member should be provided as per table below:

Sl.	Name of Member	Role* {Refer Clause 2.1.11(d)} [§]	Share of work in the Project {Refer Clauses 2.1.11(a), (f) & (g)}
1.			
2.			

* The role of each Member, as may be determined by the Applicant, should be indicated in accordance with instruction 4 at Annex-IV.

(d) The following information shall also be provided w.r.t para 2.1.14 for each Member of the Joint Venture:

Name of Applicant/ member of Joint Venture:

Sl. No.	Criteria	Yes/No
1.	Has the Bidder/ constituent of the Joint Venture been barred by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for the works of Expressways, National Highways, ISC and EI works, from participating in bidding.	
2	If the answer to 1 is yes, does the bar subsist as on BID due date.	

6(a) I/ We certify that in the last two years, we/ any of the JV partners have neither failed to perform for the works of Expressways, National Highways, ISC & EI works, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral or judicial authority or a judicial pronouncement or arbitral award against us, nor been expelled or terminated by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for breach on our part.

(b) I/ We certify that we/ any of the JV partners do not fall in any of the categories of being a non-Performing entity given at Clause 2.1.14 of Instructions to Bidders in the projects of Expressways, National Highways, ISC and EI works of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies and furnished the complete details.

7(a) I/ We further certify that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending either against us/any member of Joint Venture or our sister concern or against our CEO or any of our directors/managers/employees.

(b) I/ We further certify that no investigation by any investigating agency in India or outside is pending either against us/ any member of Joint Venture or our sister concern or against our CEO or any of our directors/managers/employees.

A statement by the Bidder and each of the Members of its Joint Venture (where applicable) disclosing material non-performance or contractual non-compliance in current projects, as on bid due date is given below (attach extra sheets, if necessary) w.r.t. para 2.1.14.

Name of the Bidder /Member of JV: _____

Sr. No.	Categories of Non-Performer	Name of the projects (s)
(i)	Fails to set up institutional mechanism and procedure as per contract	
(ii)	Fails to mobilize key construction equipment within a period of 4 months from the Appointed Date.	
(iii)	Fails to complete or has missed any milestone and progress not commensurate with contiguous unencumbered project length /ROW available even after lapse of 6 months from respective project milestone/Schedule Completion date, unless Extension of Time has been granted due to Authority's Default or Force Majeure.	
(iv)	Fails to achieve progress commensurate with funds released from Escrow Account (Equity + Debt 4- Grant) in BOT or HAM project and variation is more than 25% in the last 365 days.	
(v)	Fails to achieve the target progress or complete the project as per schedule agreed at the time of sanctioning of funds under OneTime Funds Infusion (OTH) or relaxations to contract conditions to improve cash flow solely on account of Concessionaire's/contractor's failure/default.	
(vi)	Fails to complete rectification (excluding minor rectifications) as per time given in non-conformity reports (NCR) in design/completed works/maintenance or reported in Inspection Reports issued by Quality Inspectors deployed by the Authority or Officers of the Authority	
(vii)	Fails to complete minor rectifications exceeding 3 instances in a project as per time given in non-conformity reports (NCR) in design/completed works/maintenance.	
(viii)	Fails to fulfil its obligations to maintain a highway in a satisfactory condition in spite of two rectification notices issued in this regard	
(ix)	Damages/penalties recommended by Independent / Authority's Engineer during O&M Period and remedial Works are still not taken up.	
(x)	Fails to complete Punch list items even after lapse of time for completion of such items excluding delays attributable to the Authority.	
(xi)	Occurrence of minor failure of structures/highway due to due construction defect wherein no causalities are reported (causalities include injuries to human being / animals).	
(xii)	Occurrence of major failure of structures/highway due to due construction defect wherein no casualties are reported (causalities include injuries to human being / animals).	

(xiii)	Occurrence of major failure of structures/highway due to dueto Construction defect leading to loss of human livesbesides loss of reputation etc. of the authority.	
(xiv)	Fails to make premium payments excluding the current installment in one or more projects.	
(xv)	Fails to achieve financial closure in two or more projects within the given or extended period (which shall not be more than six months in any case).	
(xvi)	Fails to submit the Performance Security within the permissible time period in more than one project.	
(xvii)	Rated as an unsatisfactory performing entity/ non-performing entity by an independent third-party agency and so notified on the website of the Authority.	
(xvii)	Failed to perform for the works of Expressways, National Highways, ISC ft El works in the last 2 (two) years, as evidenced by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral judicial authority or a by imposition of a penalty by an arbitral award against the Bidder, including individual or any of its Joint Venture Member, as the case may be.	
(xix)	Expelled from the contract or the contract terminated by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies for breach by such Bidder, including individual or any of itsJoint VentureMember Provided that any such decision of expulsion or termination of contract leading to debarring of the Bidder from further participation in bids for the prescribed period should have been ordered after affording an opportunity of hearing to such party.	
(xx)	Fails to start the works or causes delay in maintenance & repair/overlay of the project.	

I/ We certify that the list is complete and covers all the projects of Expressways, National Highways, ISC and El works of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways or its implementing agencies and that we/ any of the JV partners do not fall in any of the above categories of being a Non-Performing entity.

(Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory)For and on behalf of

ANNEX-II

Technical Capacity of the Bidder[@]

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2.2, 2.2.2.5 and 2.2.2.7 of the RFP)

Applicant type	Project Code *	Category [§]	Experience ^{**} (Equivalent Rs. crore) ^{\$\$}		Technical Experience [£]
			Payments received for construction of Eligible Projects in Categories 3 & 4	Value of construction in Eligible Projects in Categories 1 and 2	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Single entity Bidder or Lead Member including other members of the Joint Venture	a				
	b				
	c				
	f				
Aggregate Technical Experience =					

[@] Provide details of only those projects that have been undertaken by the Applicant, or its Lead member including members in case of joint venture, under its own name separately and/ or by a project company eligible under Clause 2.2.2.6(i)(b). In case of Categories 1 and 2, include only those projects which have an estimated capital cost exceeding the amount specified in Clause 2.2.2.6(i)(c) and for Categories 3 and 4, include only those projects where the payments received exceed the amount specified in Clause 2.2.2.6(ii). In case the Bid Due Date falls within 3 (three) months of the close of the latest financial year, refer to Clause 2.1.13.

* Refer Annex-IV of this Appendix-I. Add more rows if necessary.

[§] Refer Clause 2.2.2.5(i)

^{**} Construction shall not include supply of goods or equipment except when such goods or equipment form part of a turn-key construction contract/ EPC contract for the project. In no case shall the cost of maintenance and repair, operation of Highways and land be included while computing the Experience Score of an Eligible Project.

^{\$\$} For conversion of US Dollars to Rupees, the rate of conversion shall be Rupees ^{**} (^{**})¹⁴ to a US Dollar.

[£]. In the case of an Eligible Project situated in an OECD country, the Experience Score so arrived at shall be further multiplied by 0.5, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 2.2.2.5(ii) and the product thereof shall be the Experience Score for such Eligible Projects.

NOTE: In case of a Joint Venture, information in Annex-II and Annex-IV of Appendix-I shall be provided separately for other Members so as to establish that each such Member has 20 percent or more of the Threshold Technical Capacity. (Refer Clause 2.2.2.4).

¹⁴The conversion rate of USD into Rupees shall be the daily representative exchange rates published by the Reserve Bank of India for the relevant date. Where relevant date should be as on the date 28 (twenty eight) days prior to the Application Due Date.

ANNEX-III

Financial Capacity of the Bidder

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2.3, 2.2.2.9(i), 2.2.2.8(iii) of the RFP) (In Rs. crore[§])

Bidder type	Net Cash Accruals					Net Worth [£]
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 1
Single entity Bidder or Lead Member including other members of the Joint Venture						
TOTAL						

Bidder type	Annual Turnover										Average Annual Turnover (In Rs. crore\$)
	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		
	(Rs.)	Updation factor	(Rs.)	Updation factor	(Rs.)	Updation factor	(Rs.)	Updation factor	(Rs.)	Updation factor	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	(2x3+4x5+6x7+8x9+10x11)/5
Single entity Bidder or Lead Member including other members of the Joint Venture		1.00		1.05		1.10		1.15		1.20	

Name & address of Bidder's Bankers:

[§] For conversion of other currencies into rupees, see note below Annex-II of Appendix-I.

[£]The Bidder should provide details of its own Financial Capacity.

Instructions:

1. The Bidder shall attach the certificate of Turn Over and Net Worth issued by Statutory Auditor as per the format given below:
 - (a) reflect the financial situation of the Bidder;
 - (b) be audited by a statutory auditor;
 - (c) be complete, including all notes to the financial statements; and
 - (d) correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited (no statements for partial periods shall be requested or accepted).
2. Net Cash Accruals shall mean Profit After Tax + Depreciation.
3. Net Worth (the “Net worth”) shall mean the aggregate value of the paid-up share capital and all reserves created out of the profits and securities premium account, after deducting the aggregate value of the accumulated losses, deferred expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure not written off, as per the audited balance sheet, but does not include reserves created out of revaluation of assets, write-back of depreciation and amalgamation.
4. Year 1 will be the latest completed financial year, preceding the bidding. Year 2 shall be the year immediately preceding Year 1 and so on. In case the Bid Due Date falls within 3 (three) months of the close of the latest financial year, refer to Clause 2.1.13.
5. In the case of a Joint Venture, a copy of the Jt. Bidding Agreement shall be submitted in accordance with Clause 2.1.11 of the RFP document.
6. The Bidder shall also provide the name and address of the Bankers to the Bidder.
7. The Bidder shall provide an Auditor’s Certificate specifying the net worth of the Bidder and also specifying the methodology adopted for calculating such net worth in accordance with Clause 2.2.2.9 (ii) of the RFP document.
8. Format for Certificate of Net Worth by Statutory Auditor (Format Attached as Appendix- X).
9. Format for Certificate of Turn Over by Statutory Auditor (Format Attached as Appendix-XI).

ANNEX-IV

Details of Eligible Projects

(Refer to Clauses 2.2.2.2, 2.2.2.5 and 2.2.2.7 of the RFP)

Project Code:

Entity: Self/Members:

Item	Refer Instruction	Particulars of the Project
Title & nature of the project		
Category	5	
Year-wise (a) payments received for construction of work executed and certified by the Engineer-in-charge/Independent Engineer/Authority's Engineer, and/or (b) revenues appropriated for self- construction under PPP projects	6	
Entity for which the project was constructed	7	
Location		
Project cost	8	
Date of commencement of project/ contract		
Date of completion/ commissioning	9	
Equity shareholding (with period during which equity was held)	10	

Instructions:

1. Bidders are expected to provide information in respect of each Eligible Projects in this Annex. The projects cited must comply with the eligibility criteria specified in Clause 2.2.2.6 (i) and 2.2.2.6 (ii) of the RFP, as the case may be. Information provided in this section is intended to serve as a backup for information provided in the Application. Applicants should also refer to the Instructions below.
2. The Project Codes would be a, b, c, d etc.
3. A separate sheet should be filled for each Eligible Project.
4. In case the Eligible Project relates to other Members, write “Member”.
5. Refer to Clause 2.2.2.5 of the RFP for category number.
6. The total payments received and/or revenues appropriated for self-construction for each Eligible Project are to be stated in Annex-II of this Appendix-I. The figures to be provided here should indicate the break-up for the past 5 (five) financial years. Year 1 refers to the financial year immediately preceding the Bid Due Date; Year 2 refers to the year before Year 1, Year 3 refers to the year before Year 2, and so on (Refer Clause 2.1.13). For Categories 1 and 2, expenditure on construction of the project by the Applicant itself should be provided, but only in respect of projects having an estimated capital cost exceeding the amount specified in Clause 2.2.2.6(i)(c). Categories 3 and 4,

payments received only in respect of construction should be provided, but only if the amount received exceeds the minimum specified in Clause 2.2.2.6(ii). Receipts for construction works should only include capital expenditure, and should not include expenditure on maintenance & repair and operation of Highways.

7. In case of projects in Categories 1 and 2, particulars such as name, address and contact details of owner/ Authority/ Agency (i.e., concession grantor, counter party to concession, etc.) may be provided. In case of projects in Categories 3 and 4, similar particulars of the client need to be provided with the details whether the work was executed as main contractor or sub-contractor. In case the work has been executed as a sub-contractor of the main contractor, approval of the Authority must be submitted alongwith the bid.
8. Provide the estimated capital cost of Eligible Project. Refer to Clauses 2.2.2.6(i) and 2.2.2.6(ii)
9. For Categories 1 and 2, the date of commissioning of the project, upon completion, should be indicated. In case of Categories 3 and 4, date of completion of construction should be indicated. In the case of projects under construction, the likely date of completion or commissioning, as the case may be, shall be indicated.
10. For Categories 1 and 2, the equity shareholding of the Bidder, in the company owning the Eligible Project, held continuously during the period for which Eligible Experience is claimed, needs to be given (Refer Clause 2.2.2.6(i)).
11. Experience for any activity relating to an Eligible Project shall not be claimed twice. In other words, no double counting in respect of the same experience shall be permitted in any manner whatsoever.
12. Certificate from the Bidder's statutory auditor⁵ or its respective clients must be furnished as per formats below for each Eligible Project. In jurisdictions that do not have statutory auditors, the auditors who audit the annual accounts of the Bidder may provide the requisite certification.
13. If the Bidder is claiming experience under Categories 1 & 2^E, it should provide a certificate from its statutory auditor in the format below as per Clause 2.2.2.6 (i) (d):

Certificate from the Statutory Auditor regarding PPP projects ^Φ

Based on its books of accounts and other published information authenticated by it, this is to certify that (Name of the Bidder) is/ was an equity shareholder in (title of the project company) and holds/held Rs..... cr. (Rupees crore) of equity (which constitutes..... %^E of the total paid up and subscribed equity capital) of the project company from (date) to (date)³The project was/is commenced on(date) and likely to be commissioned on (date of commissioning of the project).

We further certify that the total estimated capital cost of the project is Rs cr. (Rupeescrore), of which the applicant has itself undertaken the construction of project of Rs. (Rupees..... Crores) excluding any part of the project for which any contractor, sub-contractor or other agent was appointed for the purpose of construction as per Clause 2.2.2.6 (i) (d) by the aforesaid Applicant itself, during the past five financial years as per year-wise details noted below:

Sr. No.	Financial Year	Amount received in Rs.	Amount received from (name of the firm & TAN no.)
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Name of the Audit firm:

(Signature, name and designation of the Authorized signatory)

Seal of the audit firm:

Date:

§ In case duly certified audited annual financial statements containing the requisite details are provided, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary.

£ Refer Clause 2.2.2.5 of the RFP.

° Provide Certificate as per this format only. Attach Explanatory Notes to the Certificate, if necessary. Statutory auditor means the entity that audits and certifies the annual accounts of the company.

€ Refer instruction no. 10 in this Annex-IV.

¥ In case the project is owned by the Applicant company, this language may be suitably modified to read:

“It is certified that (Name of Applicant) constructed and/ or owned the... (Name of project) from..... (date) to (date).”

14. If the Bidder is claiming experience under Category 3 & 4°, as per Clauses 2.2.2.5 and 2.2.2.6(ii) of the RFP, it should provide a certificate from its Statutory Auditor in the format below:

Certificate regarding construction works [□]

Based on its books of accounts and other published information authenticated by it, This is to certify that (name of the Bidder) was engaged by(title of the project company) to execute.....(name of project) for(nature of project). The construction of the project commenced on(date) and the project was/ is likely to be commissioned on.....(Date, if any). It is certified that Bidder received payments from its Clients for Construction Works executed by them and certified by the Engineer-in- charge/Independent Engineer/Authority's Engineer, in the aforesaid construction works. We further certify that the total estimated capital cost of the project is Rs..... cr. (Rupeescrore), of which the Applicant received as certified by the Engineer-in-charge/Independent Engineer/Authority's Engineer Rs. cr. (Rupees crore), during the past five financial years as per year-wise details noted below:

Sr. No.	Financial Year	Amount received in Rs.	Amount received from (name of the firm & TAN no.)

It is further certified that the receipts indicated above are restricted to the share of the Applicantwho undertook these works as a partner or a member of joint venture. [◻]

We further certify that applicant has a share of_% in the Joint Venture/Consortium

(Authorized Signatory)
Date:

15. It may be noted that in the absence of any detail in the above certificates, the informationwould be considered inadequate and could lead to exclusion of the relevant project in computation of Experience.
16. To satisfy the qualification requirement under clause 2.2.2.2 (ii) & (iii), the bidder is required to submit a certificate from project owning department/corporations signed by Officer not below the level of Executive Engineer or equivalent.

[□] Refer Clauses 2.2.2.5 and 2.2.2.6(ii) of the RFP.

[◻]Provide Certificate as per this format only. Attach Explanatory Notes to the Certificate, if necessary. Statutory auditor means the entity that audits and certifies the annual accounts of the company. However, in case the work of other member(s) is also executed by the applicant, then this fact should also be certified by the Statutory Auditor and accordingly the language maybe suitably modified.

[◻] This certification should be strike out in case of jobs/ contracts, which are executed a sole firm. The payments indicated in the certificate should be restricted to the share of Applicant in such partnership/ joint venture or as authorize sub-contractor. This portion may be omitted if the contract did not involve a partnership/ joint venture or authorize sub-contractor. In case where work is not executed by partnership/ joint venture or authorize sub-contractor, **Page 73 of 108**

paragraph may be deleted.

In case of unauthorized sub-contractor proof of authorize sub-contracting has to be submitted

ANNEX-V

Statement of Legal Capacity

(To be forwarded on the letterhead of the Applicant/ Lead Member of Joint Venture)

Ref.

Date:

To,
The General Manager (T),
National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation
Limited 3rd Floor, PTI Building, Parliament Street,
New Delhi - 110001

Dear Sir,

We hereby confirm that we/ our members in the Joint Venture (constitution of which has been described in the application) satisfy the terms and conditions laid out in the RFP document.

We have agreed that..... (insert member's name) will act as the Lead Member of our Joint Venture. *

We have agreed that..... (Insert individual's name) will act as our representative/ will act as the representative of the Joint Venture on its behalf* and has been duly authorized to submit the RFP. Further, the authorised signatory is vested with requisite powers to furnish such letter and authenticate the same.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory)

For and on behalf of.....

**Please strike out whichever is not applicable.*

Appendix-IA

Annex-VI

Information required to evaluate the BID Capacity under clause 2.2.2.1:

To calculate the value of “A” and “C”

1. A table containing value of Civil Engineering Works in respect of EPC Projects (Turnkey projects / Item rate contract/ Construction works) undertaken by the Bidder during the last 5 years is as follows (the amount of bonus received, if any, shall be indicated separately):

2.

Sl. No.	Year	Value of Civil Engg. Works undertaken w.r.t. EPC Projects including bonus, if any (Rs. in Crore)	Amount of bonus (Rs. in Crore)	Net Value excluding bonus (Rs. In Crore)
1	Year 1			
2	Year 2			
3	Year 3			
4	Year 4			
5	Year 5			

3. Maximum value of projects that have been undertaken during the F.Y. out of the last 5 years and value excluding amount of bonus thereof is Rs. Crore (Rupees). Further, value updated to the price level of the year indicated in Appendix is as follows: Rs. ___ Crore x _____ (Updation Factor as per Appendix) = Rs. Crore (Rupees _____)

4. Amount of bonus received, if any, in EPC Projects during the last 5 years (updated to the price level of the year indicated in Appendix):

5.

Sr. No.	F.Y. / Calendar Year	Amount of Bonus (Rs. in Crore)	Updation Factor	Updated Amount of Bonus (Rs. in Crore)
1	Year 1		1.00	
2	Year 2		1.05	
3	Year 3		1.10	
4	Year 4		1.15	
5	Year 5		1.20	
			Total (C)=	

.....

 Signature, name and designation of Authorised Signatory
 For and on behalf of (Name of the Bidder)

Date:

Place:

To calculate the value of "B"

A table containing value of all the existing commitments and on-going works to be completed during the next ** years is as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of Project/ Work	Percentage of participation of Bidder in the project	Date of start / appointed date of project	Construction period as per Agreement/ LOA	Value of contract as per Agreement /LOA	Value of work completed	Balance value of work to be completed	Anticipated date of completion	Balance value of work at 2019-20/2019 price level
					Rs. in Crore	Rs. in Crore	Rs. in Crore		Rs. in Crore
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8= (6-7)	9	10(3x 8x #)

Updation Factor as given below:

For Year	F.Y. / Calendar Year	Updation Factor
1	Year 1	1.00
2	Year 2	1.05
3	Year 3	1.10
4	Year 4	1.15
5	Year 5	1.20

The Statement showing the value of all existing commitments, anticipated value of work to be completed in the period of construction of the project for which bid is invited and ongoing works as well as the stipulated period of completion remaining for each of the works mentioned above is verified from the certificate issued that has been countersigned by the Client or its Engineer- in-charge not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent in respect of EPC Projects or Concessionaire / Authorised Signatory of SPV in respect of BOT Projects. No awarded / ongoing works Place: has been left in the aforesaid statement which has been awarded to M/s.....individually / and other member M/s.....and M/s , as on bid due date of this RFP.

.....

.....

Signature, name and designation
of Authorised Signatory

For and on behalf of(*Name of
the Bidder*)

.....

.....

Name of the Statutory Auditor's firm: Seal
of the audit firm: (Signature, name and
designation and Membership No. of
authorised signatory)

□ In case balance period of construction is less than the value of period of construction of the project for which bid is invited, then full value of contract as per Agreement/LOA to be mentioned, else, anticipated value of work to be completed in the period of construction of the project for which bid is invited is to be mentioned. In the absence of the anticipated value of work to be completed, the proportionate value shall be considered while evaluating the Assessed Available Bid Capacity.

Date:

Place:

Annex-VII

Guidelines of the Department of Disinvestment

(Refer Clause 1.2.1) No. 6/4/2001-DD-II

Government of India

Department of Disinvestment

Block 14, CGO Complex New Delhi.

Dated 13th July, 2001.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Guidelines for qualification of Bidders seeking to acquire stakes in Public Sector Enterprises through the process of disinvestment

Government has examined the issue of framing comprehensive and transparent guidelines defining the criteria for Bidders interested in PSE-disinvestment so that the parties selected through competitive bidding could inspire public confidence. Earlier, criteria like net worth, experience etc. used to be prescribed. Based on experience and in consultation with concerned departments, Government has decided to prescribe the following additional criteria for the qualification/ disqualification of the parties seeking to acquire stakes in public sector enterprises through disinvestment:

- (a) In regard to matters other than the security and integrity of the country, any conviction by a Court of Law or indictment/ adverse order by a regulatory authority that casts a doubt on the ability of the Bidder to manage the public sector unit when it is disinvested, or which relates to a grave offence would constitute disqualification. Grave offence is defined to be of such a nature that it outrages the moral sense of the community. The decision in regard to the nature of the offence would be taken on case-to-case basis after considering the facts of the case and relevant legal principles, by the Government of India.
- (b) In regard to matters relating to the security and integrity of the country, any charge-sheet by an agency of the Government/ conviction by a Court of Law for an offence committed by the bidding party or by any sister concern of the bidding party would result in disqualification. The decision in regard to the relationship between the sister concerns would be taken, based on the relevant facts and after examining whether the two concerns are substantially controlled by the same person/ persons.
- (c) In both (a) and (b), disqualification shall continue for a period that Government deems appropriate.
- (d) Any entity, which is disqualified from participating in the disinvestment process, would not be allowed to remain associated with it or get associated merely because it has preferred an appeal against the order based on which it has been disqualified. The mere pendency of appeal will have no effect on the disqualification.

- (e) The disqualification criteria would come into effect immediately and would apply to all Bidders for various disinvestment transactions, which have not been completed as yet.
- (f) Before disqualifying a concern, a Show Cause Notice why it should not be disqualified would be issued to it and it would be given an opportunity to explain its position.
- (g) Henceforth, these criteria will be prescribed in the advertisements seeking Expression of Interest (EOI) from the interested parties. The interested parties would be required to provide the information on the above criteria, along with their Expressions of Interest (EOI). The Bidders shall be required to provide with their EOI an undertaking to the effect that no investigation by a regulatory authority is pending against them. In case any investigation is pending against the concern or its sister concern or against its CEO or any of its Directors/ Managers/ employees, full details of such investigation including the name of the investigating agency, the charge/ offence for which the investigation has been launched, name and designation of persons against whom the investigation has been launched and other relevant information should be disclosed, to the satisfaction of the Government. For other criteria also, a similar undertaking shall be obtained along with EOI.

sd/- (A.K. Tewari)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

Annex-VIII

Details of ongoing works (Ref Clause 10.3 (iv) of Draft EPC Agreement)

Sr. No.	Name of the work	Contract Price (INR Cr)	Appointed Date	Original Scheduled Completion Date	Likely Date of Completion	Reason for Delay [#]
1						
2						
3						
...						

(In the event that the Bidder had failed to achieve the Completion of any project within a period of 90 (ninety) days from the Schedule Completion Date of the project, unless such failure had occurred due to Force Majeure or for reasons solely attributable to the Authority, the Bidder shall be deemed to be ineligible for bidding this project (under bidding), both as the sole party or as one of the parties of Joint Venture/ Consortium, if any, during the period from Scheduled Completion Date to issuance of Completion Certificate for that project. This restriction is applicable if the contract value of the delayed project was not less than Rs. 300 Crore.)

[#]To be supported with valid certificate issued from Independent Engineer / Authority's Engineer / Supervision Consultant / Engineer-in-charge

I / We certify that all the information furnished above is true in all respects.

..... Name of the Bidder

Signature of the authorized signatory: _____

Name of the Authorised Signatory: _____

Place: _____

Appendix -IA
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Annex-IX

**Details of Ongoing & Awarded (for which LOA has been issued) works in
NHIDCL(Ref Clause 2.1.15 of Section-2 of RFP)**

Sr. No.	Name of the work	Contract Price (Rs. Crore)	Date of issuance of LOA	Appointed Date	Original Scheduled completion date	Progress as on Date	Likely date of Completion
1.							
2.							
3.							
.....							

I/We certify that all the information furnished above is true in all respects.

Name of the Bidder:

Signature of the Authorised

Signatory:Name of the Authorised

Signatory: Date:

Place:

APPENDIX - II

**Bank Guarantee for BID Security
(e-BGs Only - Entity ID of NHIDCL is AAECN7759E)**

(Refer Clauses 2.20)

B.G. No. Dated:

1. In consideration of you, ***, (hereinafter referred to as the “Authority”, which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject or context thereof include its, successors and assigns) having agreed to receive the BID of..... and having its registered office at (and acting on behalf of its JV) (hereinafter referred to as the “Bidder” which expression shall unless it be repugnant to the subject or context thereof include its/their executors, administrators, successors and assigns), for the*** ** Project on EPC basis (hereinafter referred to as “the Project”) pursuant to the RFP Document dated issued in respect of the Project and other related documents including without limitation the draft contract Agreement (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Bidding Documents”), we (Name of the Bank) having our registered office at and one of its branches at (hereinafter referred to as the “Bank”), at the request of the Bidder, do hereby in terms of Clause 1.2.10 read with Clause 2.20 of the RFP Document, irrevocably, unconditionally and without reservation guarantee the due and faithful fulfillment and compliance of the terms and conditions of the Bidding Documents (including the RFP Document) by the said Bidder and unconditionally and irrevocably undertake to pay forthwith to the Authority an amount of Rs. *** ** (Rupees *** ** only) (hereinafter referred to as the “Guarantee”) as our primary obligation without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest and without reference to the Bidder if the Bidder shall fail to fulfil or comply with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Bidding Documents.

2. Any such written demand made by the Authority stating that the Bidder is in default of the due and faithful fulfillment and compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the Bidding Documents shall be final, conclusive and binding on the Bank.

3. We, the Bank, do hereby unconditionally undertake to pay the amounts due and payable under this Guarantee without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest and without any reference to the Bidder or any other person and irrespective of whether the claim of the Authority is disputed by the Bidder or not, merely on the first demand from the Authority stating that the amount claimed is due to the Authority by reason of failure of the Bidder to fulfil and comply with the terms and conditions contained in the Bidding Documents including failure of the said Bidder to keep its BID open during the BID validity period as set forth in the said Bidding Documents for any reason whatsoever. Any such demand made on the Bank shall be conclusive as regards amount due and payable by the Bank under this Guarantee. However, our liability under this Guarantee shall be restricted to an amount not exceeding Rs. *** ** (Rupees *** ** only).

4. This Guarantee shall be irrevocable and remain in full force for a period of 180 (one hundred and eighty) days from the BID Due Date inclusive of a claim period of 60 (sixty) days or for such extended period as may be mutually agreed between the Authority and the Bidder, and agreed to by the Bank, and shall continue to be enforceable till all amounts under this Guarantee have been paid.

5. We, the Bank, further agree that the Authority shall be the sole judge to decide as to whether the Bidder is in default of due and faithful fulfilment and compliance with the terms and conditions contained in the Bidding Documents including, inter alia, the failure of the Bidder to keep its BID open during the BID validity period set forth in the said Bidding Documents, and the decision of the Authority that the Bidder is in default as aforesaid shall be final and binding on us, notwithstanding any differences between the Authority and the Bidder or any dispute pending before any Court, Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other Authority.
6. The Guarantee shall not be affected by any change in the constitution or winding up of the Bidder or the Bank or any absorption, merger or amalgamation of the Bidder or the Bank with any other person.
7. In order to give full effect to this Guarantee, the Authority shall be entitled to treat the Bank as the principal debtor. The Authority shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee from time to time to vary any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Bidding Documents or to extend time for submission of the BIDs or the BID validity period or the period for conveying acceptance of Letter of Award by the Bidder or the period for fulfilment and compliance with all or any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Bidding Documents by the said Bidder or to postpone for any time and from time to time any of the powers exercisable by it against the said Bidder and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the said Bidding Documents or the securities available to the Authority, and the Bank shall not be released from its liability under these presents by any exercise by the Authority of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reason of time being given to the said Bidder or any other forbearance, act or omission on the part of the Authority or any indulgence by the Authority to the said Bidder or by any change in the constitution of the Authority or its absorption, merger or amalgamation with any other person or any other matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Bank from its such liability.
8. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder shall be sufficiently given or made if addressed to the Bank and sent by courier or by registered mail to the Bank at the address set forth herein.
9. We undertake to make the payment on receipt of your notice of claim on us addressed to [name of Bank along with branch address] and delivered at our above branch which shall be deemed to have been duly authorised to receive the said notice of claim.
10. It shall not be necessary for the Authority to proceed against the said Bidder before proceeding against the Bank and the guarantee herein contained shall be enforceable against the Bank, notwithstanding any other security which the Authority may have obtained from the said Bidder or any other person and which shall, at the time when proceedings are taken against the Bank hereunder, be outstanding or unrealised.
11. We, the Bank, further undertake not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous express consent of the Authority in writing.
12. The Bank declares that it has power to issue this Guarantee and discharge the obligations contemplated herein, the undersigned is duly authorised and has full power to execute this Guarantee for and on behalf of the Bank.
13. For the avoidance of doubt, the Bank's liability under this Guarantee shall be restricted to Rs. *** crore (Rupees *** ** crore only). The Bank shall be liable to pay the said amount or any part thereof only if the Authority serves a written claim on the Bank in accordance with paragraph 9 hereof, on or before [*** (indicate date falling 180 days after the BID Due Date)].

14. This guarantee shall also be operatable at our..... Branch at New Delhi, from whom, confirmation regarding the issue of this guarantee or extension / renewal thereof shall be made available on demand. In the contingency of this guarantee being invoked and payment thereunder claimed, the said branch shall accept such invocation letter and make payment of amounts so demanded under the said invocation.

15. **The guarantor/bank hereby confirms that it is on the SFMS (Structural Finance Messaging System) platform & shall invariably send an advice of this Bank Guarantee to the designated bank of NHIDCL The details of which is as under:**

S. No.	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Beneficiary	National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
2	Beneficiary Bank Account No.	90621010002659
3	Beneficiary Bank Branch IFSC	CNRB0019062
4	Beneficiary Bank Branch Name	Transport Bhawan, New Delhi
5	Beneficiary Bank Address	Canara Bank (erstwhile Syndicate Bank) Transport Bhawan, 1st Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Signed and Delivered by Bank
By the hand of Mr./Ms, its and authorised official.

(Signature of the Authorised Signatory)
(Official-Seal)

APPENDIX-III

III FORMAT FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SIGNING OF BID

(Refer Clause 2.1.5)

Know all men by these presents, We **(name of the firm and address of the registered office)** do hereby irrevocably constitute, nominate, appoint and authorize Mr./Ms (name), son/daughter/wife of (**Name**) and presently residing at **(Address)**, who is presently employed with us/ the Lead Member of our Joint Venture and holding the position of **(Designation)**, as our true and lawful attorney (hereinafter referred to as the “Attorney”) to do in our name and on our behalf, all such acts, deeds and things as are necessary or required in connection with or incidental to submission of our BID for the Project proposed or being developed by the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (the “Authority”) including but not limited to signing and submission of all applications, BIDs and other documents and writings, participate in Pre-BID and other conferences and providing information/ responses to the Authority, representing us in all matters before the Authority, signing and execution of all contracts including the agreement and undertakings consequent to acceptance of our BID, and generally dealing with the Authority in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of our BID for the said Project and/ or upon award thereof to us and/or until the entering into of the EPC Contract with the Authority.

AND we hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be deemed to have been done by us.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE,....., THE ABOVE NAMED PRINCIPAL HAVE EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THIS DAY OF 2..... For

(Signature, name, designation and address)
of person authorized by Board Resolution
(in case of Firm/ Company)/ partner in case of
Partnership

Witnesses:

firm 1.

2.

Accepted

..... (Signature)

(Name, Title and Address of the Attorney)

(Notarised)

Person identified by me/ personally appeared before me/
Attested/ Authenticated*(*Notary to specify as applicable)
(Signature Name and Address of the Notary)

Seal of the Notary

Registration No. of the Notary

Date:.....

Notes:

- *The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.*
- *Wherever required, the Bidder should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/ power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Bidder.*
- *For a Power of Attorney executed and issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney is being issued. However, the Power of Attorney provided by Bidders from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Appostille certificate.*

APPENDIX-IV

FORMAT FOR POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR LEAD MEMBER OF JOINT VENTURE

(Refer Clause 2.1.6)

Whereas the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (“the Authority”) has invited BIDs for the “[.....Name of the Work]”(the “Project”).....

Whereas,,, and (collectively the “Joint Venture”) being Members of the Joint Venture are interested in bidding for the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal (RFP) and other BID documents including agreement in respect of the Project, and

Whereas, it is necessary for the Members of the Joint Venture to designate one of them as the Lead Member with all necessary power and authority to do for and on behalf of the Joint Venture, all acts, deeds and things as may be necessary in connection with the Joint Venture’s BID for the Project and its execution.

NOW THEREFORE KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

We, having our registered office at, M/s. having our registered office at ..., M/s. ... having our registered office at, and having our registered office at, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Principals”) do hereby irrevocably designate, nominate, constitute, appoint and authorize M/S having its registered office at ,

being one of the Members of the Joint Venture, as the Lead Member and true and lawful attorney of the Joint Venture (hereinafter referred to as the “Attorney”). We hereby irrevocably authorize the Attorney (with power to sub-delegate) to conduct all business for and on behalf of the Joint Venture and any one of us during the bidding process and, in the event the Joint Venture is awarded the contract, during the execution of the Project and in this regard, to do on our behalf and on behalf of the Joint Venture, all or any of such acts, deeds or things as are necessary or required or incidental to the pre-qualification of the Joint Venture and submission of its BID for the Project, including but not limited to signing and submission of all applications, BIDs and other documents and writings, participate in pre BID and other conferences, respond to queries, submit information/ documents, sign and execute contracts and undertakings consequent to acceptance of the BID of the Joint Venture and generally to represent the Joint Venture in all its dealings with the Authority, and/ or any other Government Agency or any person, in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of the Joint Venture’s BID for the in all respect Project and/ or upon award thereof till the EPC Contract is entered into with the Authority & Compelled.

AND hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be deemed to have been done by us/ Joint Venture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE THE PRINCIPALS ABOVE NAMED HAVE EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THIS DAY OF 2023

For (Signature)	For (Signature)	For (Signature)
..... (Name & Title) (Name & Title) (Name & Title)

(Executants)
(To be executed by all the Members of the Joint Venture)

Witnesses:

- 1.
- 2.

Notes:

- The mode of execution of the Power of Attorney should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the applicable law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- Also, wherever required, the Bidder should submit for verification the extract of the charter documents and documents such as a board or shareholders' resolution/ power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Power of Attorney for the delegation of power hereunder on behalf of the Bidder.
- For a Power of Attorney executed and issued overseas, the document will also have to be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarised in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney is being issued. However, the Power of Attorney provided by Bidders from countries that have signed the Hague Legislation Convention 1961 are not required to be legalised by the Indian Embassy if it carries a conforming Apostille certificate.

APPENDIX V

FORMAT FOR JOINT BIDDING AGREEMENT FOR JOINT VENTURE

(Refer Clause 2.1.11)

(To be executed on Stamp paper of appropriate value)

THIS JOINT BIDDING AGREEMENT is entered into on this the day of2023

AMONGST

1. {..... Limited, and having its registered office at.....} (hereinafter referred to as the “**First Part**” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include **its successors** and permitted assigns)

AND

2. {..... Limited, having its registered office at} and (hereinafter referred to as the “**Second Part**” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context include **its successors** and permitted assigns)

The above-mentioned parties of the FIRST, {SECOND} PART is collectively referred to as the “**Parties**” and each is individually referred to as a

“**Party**” WHEREAS,

- (A) **NATIONAL HIGHWAYS & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.**, established under the Company Act, represented by its Managing Director and having its principal office at 3rd Floor, PTI Building, 4-Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001 (hereinafter referred to as the “**Authority**” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns) has invited bids (the **Bids**”) by its Request for Proposal No. dated (the “**RFP**”) for award of contract for “[..... **Name of the Work**]” (the “**Project**”) through an EPC Contract.
- (B) The Parties are interested in jointly bidding for the Project as members of a Joint Venture and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the RFP document and other bid documents in respect of the **Project**, and
- (C) It is a necessary condition under the RFP document that the members of the Joint Venture shall enter into a Joint Bidding Agreement and furnish a copy thereof with the Application.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED as follows:

1. Definitions and Interpretations

In this Agreement, the capitalised terms shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning ascribed thereto under the RFP.

2. Joint Venture

2.1 The Parties do hereby irrevocably constitute a Joint Venture (the “**Joint Venture**”) for the purposes of jointly participating in the Bidding Process for the Project.

2.2 The Parties hereby undertake to participate in the Bidding Process only through this Joint Venture and not individually and/ or through any other Joint Venture constituted for this Project, either directly or indirectly.

3. Covenants

The Parties hereby undertake that in the event the Joint Venture is declared the selected Bidder and awarded the Project, it shall enter into an EPC Contract with the Authority for performing all its obligations as the Contractor in terms of the EPC Contract for the Project.

4. Role of the Parties

The Parties hereby undertake to perform the roles and responsibilities as described below:

- (a) Party of the First Part shall be the Lead member of the Joint Venture and shall have the power of attorney from all Parties for conducting all business for and on behalf of the Joint Venture during the Bidding Process and for performing all its obligations as the Contractor in terms of the EPC Contract for the Project;
- (b) Party of the Second Part shall be {the Member of the Joint Venture; and}
- (c) Party of the Third Part shall be {the Member of the Joint Venture.}

5. Joint and Several Liability

The Parties do hereby undertake to be jointly and severally responsible for all obligations and liabilities relating to the Project and in accordance with the terms of the RFP and the EPC Contract, till such time as the completion of the Project is achieved under and in accordance with the EPC Contract.

6. Share of work in the Project

The Parties agree that the proportion of construction in the EPC Contract to be allocated among the members shall be as follows:

First Party:

Second Party:

{Third Party:}

Further, the Lead Member shall itself undertake and perform at least 51 (fifty-one) per cent of the total length of the project highway if the Contract is allocated to the Joint Venture.

7. Representation of the Parties

Each Party represents to the other Parties as of the date of this Agreement that:

- (a) Such Party is duly organised, validly existing and in good standing under the law of its incorporation and has all requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement;
- (b) The execution, delivery and performance by such Party of this Agreement has been authorised by all necessary and appropriate corporate or governmental action and a copy of the extract of the charter documents and board resolution/ power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Agreement for the delegation of power and authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Joint Venture Member is annexed to this Agreement, and will not, to the best of its knowledge:
 - (i) require any consent or approval not already obtained;
 - (ii) violate any Applicable Law presently in effect and having applicability to it;
 - (iii) violate the memorandum and articles of association, by-laws or other applicable organisational documents thereof;
 - (iv) violate any clearance, permit, concession, grant, license or other governmental authorisation, approval, judgement, order or decree or any mortgage agreement, indenture or any other instrument to which such Party is a party or by which such Party or any of its properties or assets are bound or that is otherwise applicable to such Party; or
 - (v) create or impose any liens, mortgages, pledges, claims, security interests, charges or Encumbrances or obligations to create a lien, charge, pledge, security interest, encumbrances or mortgage in or on the property of such Party, except for encumbrances that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party so as to prevent such Party from fulfilling its obligations

under this Agreement;

- (c) this Agreement is the legal and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms against it; and
- (d) there is no litigation pending or, to the best of such Party's knowledge, threatened to which it or any of its Affiliates is a party that presently affects or which would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition or prospects or business of such Party in the fulfillment of its obligations under this Agreement.

8. Termination

This Agreement shall be effective from the date hereof and shall continue in full force and effect until Project completion (the “Defects Liability Period”) is achieved under and in accordance with the EPC Contract, in case the Project is awarded to the Joint Venture. However, in case the Joint Venture is either not pre-qualified for the Project or does not get selected for award of the Project, the Agreement will stand terminated in case the Applicant is not pre-qualified or the work not awarded to JV, as the case may be.

9. Miscellaneous

- 9.1 This Joint Bidding Agreement shall be governed by laws of {India}.
- 9.2 The Parties acknowledge and accept that this Agreement shall not be amended by the Parties without the prior written consent of the Authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES ABOVE NAMED HAVE EXECUTED AND DELIVERED THIS AGREEMENT AS OF THE DATE FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN. SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED.

For and on behalf of

Lead Member	Second Party	Third Party
Signature	Signature	Signature
Name	Name	Name
Designation	Designation	Designation
Address	Address	Address

Notes:

- 1. The mode of the execution of the Joint Bidding Agreement should be in accordance with the procedure, if any, laid down by the Applicable Law and the charter documents of the executant(s) and when it is so required, the same should be under common seal affixed in accordance with the required procedure.
- 2. Each Joint Bidding Agreement should attach a copy of the extract of the charter documents and documents such as resolution / power of attorney in favour of the person executing this Agreement for the delegation of power and authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Joint Venture Member.

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3. For a Joint Bidding Agreement executed and issued overseas, the document shall be legalised by the Indian Embassy and notarized in the jurisdiction where the Power of Attorney has been executed.

APPENDIX VI

INTEGRITY PACT FORMAT

(To be executed on plain paper and submitted along with Technical Bid/Tender documents for tenders having a value of Rs. 5 cr or above for Consultancy projects and 100 cr. or above for Construction projects. To be signed by the Bidder and same signatory competent/ authorized to sign the relevant contract on behalf of the NHIDCL)

This integrity Pact is made at _____ on this _____ day of _____ 2023.

BETWEEN

[President of India through NATIONAL HIGHWAYS & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD., established under the Companies Act, 2013, represented by its Managing Director and having its principal office at 3rd Floor, PTI Building, 4-Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001], (hereinafter referred to as the “Principal/Owner” which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its administrators, successors and assigns)

AND

{Name and address of the Firm/Company}, (hereinafter referred to as “TheBidder(s)/Contractor(s)/Concessionaire(s)/Consultant(s)” and which expression shall unless repugnant to be meaning or context thereof include its successors and permitted assigns.)

Preamble

Whereas, the Principal has floated the Tender {NIT No.....dtd... } (hereinafter referred to as “Tender/Bid”) and intends to award, under laid down organizational procedure, contract/sfor {Name of the work} (hereinafter referred to as the “Contract”).

And Whereas the Principal values full compliance with all relevant laws of the land, rules of land, regulations, economic use of resources and of fairness/ transparency in its relations with its Bidder(s) and/ or Contractor(s)/Concessionaire(s)/Consultant(s).

And whereas to meet the purpose aforesaid, both the parties have agreed to enter into this Integrity Pact (hereafter referred to as “Integrity Pact” or “Pact”) the terms and conditions of which shall also be read as integral part and parcel of the Tender documents and contract between the parties. Now, therefore, in consideration of mutual covenants contained in this pact, the parties hereby agree as follows and this pact witnesses as under:

Article-1: Commitments of the Principal

- (1) The principal commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption and to observe the following principles: -
 - (a) No employee of the principal, personally or through family members, will in connection with the Tender for, or the execution of a Contract, demand, take a promise for or accept, for self, or third person, any material of immaterial benefit which the person is not legally entitled to.
 - (b) The principal will, during the Tender process treat all Bidder(s) with equity and reason. The principal will in particular, before and during the

Tender process, provide to all Bidder(s) the same information and will not provide to any Bidder(s) confidential/ additional information through which the Bidder(s) could obtain an advantage in relation to the tender process or the contract execution.

- (c) The principal will exclude all known prejudiced persons from the process, whose conduct in the past has been of biased nature.
- (2) If the Principal obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the IPC/PC Act or any other Statutory Acts or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, the principal will inform the Chief Vigilance Officer and in addition can initiate disciplinary actions as per its internal laid down Rules/Regulations.

Article - 2: Commitments of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s). The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) commit himself to take all measures necessary to prevent corruption. He commits himself to observe the following

principles during his participation in the tender process and during the contract execution.

- (a) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to any of the principal's employees involved in the tender process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or other benefit which he/she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.
- (b) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contract, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.
- (c) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will not commit any offence under the relevant IPC/PC Act and other Statutory Acts; further the Bidder(s)/Contractor(s)/Concessionaire(s)/Consultant(s) will not use improperly, for purposes of completion or personal gain, or pass on to others, any information or document provided by the Principal as part of the business relationship, regarding plans, technical proposals and business details, including information contained or transmitted electronically.
- (d) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) of foreign origin shall disclose the name and address of the Agents/ Representatives in India, if any. Similarly, the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) of Indian Nationality shall furnish the name and address of the foreign principle, if any.
- (e) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will, when presenting his bid, disclose any and all payments he has made, is committed to or intends to make to agents, brokers or any other intermediaries in connection with the award of the contract. He shall also disclose the details of services agreed upon for such payments.

- (f) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will not instigate third persons to commit offences outlined above or be an accessory to such offences.
- (g) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will not bring any outside influence through any Govt. bodies/quarters directly or indirectly on the bidding process in furtherance of his bid.

Article - 3 Disqualification from tender process and exclusion from future contracts.

- (1) If the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s), before award or during execution has committed a transgression through a violation of any provision of Article-2, above or in any other form such as to put his reliability or credibility in question, the Principal is entitled to disqualify the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) from the tender process.
- (2) If the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) has committed a transgression through a violation of Article-2 such as to put his reliability or credibility into question, the Principal shall be entitled to exclude including blacklist and put on holiday the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) for any future tenders/ contract award process. The imposition and duration of the exclusion will be determined by the severity of the transgression. The severity will be determined by the Principal taking into consideration the full facts and circumstances of each case particularly taking into account the number of transgressions, the position of the transgressors within the company hierarchy of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) and the amount of the damage. The exclusion will be imposed for a maximum of 3 years.
- (3) A transgression is considered to have occurred if the Principal after due consideration of the available evidence concludes that “On the basis of facts available there are no material doubts”.
- (4) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) with its free consent and without any influence agrees and undertakes to respect and uphold the Principal’s absolute rights to resort to and impose such exclusion and further accepts and undertakes not to challenge or question such exclusion on any ground, including the lack of any hearing before the decision to resort to such exclusion is taken. This undertaking is given freely and after obtaining independent legal advice.
- (5) The decision of the Principal to the effect that a breach of the provisions of this Integrity Pact has been committed by the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) shall be final and binding on Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s), however, the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) can approach IEM(s) appointed for the purpose of this Pact.
- (6) On occurrence of any sanctions/ disqualification etc arising out from violation of integrity pact, the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) shall not be entitled for any compensation on this account.
- (7) Subject to full satisfaction of the Principal, the exclusion of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) could be revoked by the Principal if the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) can prove that he has restored/ recouped the damage caused by him and has installed a suitable corruption prevention system in his organization.

Article - 4: Compensation for Damages.

- (1) If the Principal has disqualified the Bidder(s) from the tender process prior to the award according to Article-3, the Principal shall be entitled to forfeit the Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security or demand and recover the damages equivalent to Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security apart from any other legal right that may have accrued to the Principal.
- (2) In addition to 1 above, the Principal shall be entitled to take recourse to the relevant provisions of the contract related to Termination of Contract due to Contractor/ Concessionaire/Consultant's Default. In such case, the Principal shall be entitled to forfeit the Performance Bank Guarantee of the Contractor/ Concessionaire/ Consultant and/ or demand and recover liquidated and all damages as per the provisions of the contract/concession agreement against Termination.

Article - 5: Previous Transgressions

- (1) The Bidder declares that no previous transgressions occurred in the last 3 years immediately before signing of this Integrity Pact with any other Company in any country conforming to the anti-corruption/ Transparency International (TI) approach or with any other Public Sector Enterprise/ Undertaking in India or any Government Department in India that could justify his exclusion from the tender process.
- (2) If the Bidder makes incorrect statement on this subject, he can be disqualified from the tender process or action for his exclusion can be taken as mentioned under Article-3 above for transgressions of Article-2 and shall be liable for compensation for damages as per Article-4 above.

Article - 6: Equal treatment of all Bidders/ Contractors/ Concessionaires/ Consultants/Subcontractors.

- (1) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) undertake(s) to demand from all sub-contractors a commitment in conformity with this Integrity Pact, and to submit it to the Principal before contract signing.
- (2) The Principal will enter into agreements with identical conditions as this one with all Bidders/ Contractors/ Concessionaires/ Consultants and subcontractors.
- (3) The Principal will disqualify from the tender process all Bidders who do not sign this Pact or violate its provisions.

Article - 7: Criminal charges against violating Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/Consultant(s)/ Sub-contractor(s).

If the Principal obtains knowledge of conduct of a Bidder/ Contractor/ Concessionaire/ Consultant or subcontractor, or of an employee or a representative or an associate of a Bidder/ Contractor/ Concessionaire/ Consultant or Subcontractor, which constitutes corruption, or if the Principal has substantive suspicion in this regard, the Principal will inform the same to the Chief Vigilance Officer.

Article- 8: Independent External Monitor (IEM)

- (1) The Principal has appointed Independent External Monitor (herein after referred

- to as “Monitor”) for this Pact. The task of the Monitor is to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent the parties comply with the obligations under this agreement.
- (2) The Monitor is not subject to instructions by the representatives of the parties and performs his functions neutrally and independently. He reports to the Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary.
 - (3) The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) accepts that the Monitor has the right to access without restriction to all project documentation of the Principal including that provided by the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s). The Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Concessionaire(s)/ Consultant(s) will also grant the Monitor, upon his request and demonstration of a valid interest, unrestricted and unconditional access to his project documentation. The same is applicable to Subcontractors. The Monitor is under contractual obligation to treat the information and documents of the Bidder(s)/ Contractor(s)/ Subcontractor(s) with confidentiality.
 - (4) The Principal will provide to the Monitor sufficient information about all meetings among the parties related to the Project provided such meetings could have an impact on the contractual relations between the Principal and the Contractor. The parties offer to the Monitor the option to participate in such meetings.
 - (5) As soon as the Monitor notices, or has reason to believe, a violation of this Pact, he will also inform the Management of the Principal and request the Management to discontinue or take corrective action, or to take other relevant action. The monitor can in this regard submit non-binding recommendations. Beyond this, the Monitor has no right to demand from the parties that they act in a specific manner, refrain from action or tolerate action.
 - (6) The Monitor will submit a written report to the Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary within 8 to 10 weeks from the date of reference or intimation to him by the Principal and, should the occasion arise, submit proposals for correcting problematic situations.
 - (7) If the Monitor has reported to the Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary, a substantiated suspicion of an offence under relevant IPC/PC Act, and the Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary has not, within the reasonable time taken visible action to proceed against such offence or reported it to the Chief Vigilance Officer, the Monitor may also transmit this information directly to the Central Vigilance Commissioner.
 - (8) The word 'Monitor' would include both singular and plural.

Article - 9 Pact Duration

This Pact begins when both parties have legally signed it (in case of EPC i.e., for projects funded by Principal and consultancy services). It expires for the Contractor/ Consultant 12 months after his Defect Liability Period is over or 12 months after his last payment under the contract whichever is later and for all other unsuccessful Bidders 6 months after this Contract has been awarded. (In case of BOT Projects) It expires for the concessionaire 30 months after his concession period is over and for all other unsuccessful Bidders 6 months after this Contract has been awarded.

If any claim is made/ lodged during his time, the same shall be binding and continue to

be valid despite the lapse of this pact as specified above, unless it is discharged/ determined by Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary.

Article - 10 Other Provisions.

- (1) This pact is subject to Indian Law. Place of performance and jurisdiction is the Registered Office of the Principal, i.e. New Delhi.
- (2) Changes and supplements as well as termination notices need to be made in writing.
- (3) If the Bidder/Contractor/Concessionaire/Consultant is in a partnership or a Joint Venture partner, this pact must be signed by all partners or members.
- (4) Should one or several provisions of this agreement turn out to be invalid, the remainder of this agreement remains valid. In this case, the parties will strive to come to an agreement to their original intentions.
- (5) Any disputes/ differences arising between the parties with regard to term of this pact, any action taken by the principal in accordance with this Pact or interpretation thereof shall not be subject to any Arbitration.
- (6) The actions stipulated in this Integrity Pact are without prejudice to any other legal action that may follow in accordance with the provision of the extent law in force relating to any civil or criminal proceedings.

In witness whereof the parties have signed and executed this Pact at the place and date first mentioned in the presence of following witness: -

(For & On behalf of the principal) (For & On behalf of the Bidder/ Contractor/ Concessionaire/ Consultant)

(Office Seal)

Place _____ Date _____

Witness 1: (Name & Address):

Witness 2: (Name & Address):

*{COUNTERSIGNED and
accepted by: JV Partner}*

Appendix-VII

**VII FORM OF BANK GUARANTEE
(BG/e-BGs Only - Entity ID of NHIDCL is AAECN7759E)**

(See Clauses 2.21)

[Performance Security/Additional Performance Security]

To

_____ [Name of Authority]

_____ [Address of Authority]

WHEREAS _____ [name and address of Contractor] (hereafter called the "Contractor") has undertaken, in pursuance of Letter of Acceptance (LOA) No. Dated _ for construction of [name of the Project] (hereinafter called the "Contract")

AND WHEREAS the Contract requires the Contractor to furnish an {Performance Security/ Additional Performance Security} for due and faithful performance of its obligations, under and in accordance with the Contract, during the {Construction Period/ Defects Liability Period and Maintenance Period} in a sum of Rs..... cr. (Rupees.....crore) (the "**Guarantee Amount**")¹.

AND WHEREAS we, through our branch at

.....

(the "**Bank**") have agreed to furnish this Bank Guarantee (hereinafter called the "**Guarantee**") by way of Performance Security.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bank hereby, unconditionally and irrevocably, guarantees and affirms as follows:

1. The Bank hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the due and faithful performance of the Contractor's obligations during the {Construction Period/ Defects Liability Period and Maintenance Period} under and in accordance with the Contract, and agrees and undertakes to pay to the Authority, upon its mere first written demand, and without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest, and without any reference to the Contractor, such sum or sums up to an aggregate sum of the Guarantee Amount as the Authority shall claim, without the Authority being required to prove or to show grounds or reasons for its demand and/or for the sum specified therein.

A letter from the Authority, under the hand of an officer not below the rank of [General Manager of National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited], that the Contractor has committed default in the due and faithful performance of all or any of its obligations under and in accordance with the Contract shall be conclusive, final and binding on the Bank. The Bank further agrees that the Authority shall be the sole judge as to whether the Contractor is in default in due and faithful performance of its obligations during and under the Contract and its decision that the Contractor is in default shall be final and binding on the Bank, notwithstanding any differences between the Authority and the Contractor, or any dispute between them pending

¹ Guarantee Amount for Performance Security and Additional Performance

Security shall be calculated as per Contract.

before any court, tribunal, arbitrators or any other authority or body, or by the discharge of the Contractor for any reason whatsoever.

2. In order to give effect to this Guarantee, the Authority shall be entitled to act as if the Bank were the principal debtor and any change in the constitution of the Contractor and/or the Bank, whether by their absorption with any other body or corporation or otherwise, shall not in any way or manner affect the liability or obligation of the Bank under this Guarantee.

3. It shall not be necessary, and the Bank hereby waives any necessity, for the Authority to proceed against the Contractor before presenting to the Bank its demand under this Guarantee.

4. The Authority shall have the liberty, without affecting in any manner the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee, to vary at any time, the terms and conditions of the Contract or to extend the time or period for the compliance with, fulfillment and/ or performance of all or any of the obligations of the Contractor contained in the Contract or to postpone for any time, and from time to time, any of the rights and powers exercisable by the Authority against the Contractor, and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the Contract and/or the securities available to the Authority, and the Bank shall not be released from its liability and obligation under these presents by any exercise by the Authority of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reason of time being given to the Contractor or any other forbearance, indulgence, act or omission on the part of the Authority or of any other matter or thing whatsoever which under any law relating to sureties and guarantors would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Bank from its liability and obligation under this Guarantee and the Bank hereby waives all of its rights under any such law.

5. This Guarantee is in addition to and not in substitution of any other guarantee or security now or which may hereafter be held by the Authority in respect of or relating to the Contract or for the fulfillment, compliance and/or performance of all or any of the obligations of the Contractor under the Contract.

6. Notwithstanding anything contained hereinbefore, the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee is restricted to the Guarantee Amount and this Guarantee will remain in force for the period specified in paragraph 8 below and unless a demand or claim in writing is made by the Authority on the Bank under this Guarantee all rights of the Authority under this Guarantee shall be forfeited and the Bank shall be relieved from its liabilities hereunder.

7. The Guarantee shall cease to be in force and effect on ****\$. Unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made in writing before expiry of the Guarantee, the Bank shall be discharged from its liabilities hereunder.

8. The Bank undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency, except with the previous express consent of the Authority in writing, and declares and warrants that it has the power to issue this Guarantee and the undersigned has full powers to do

so on behalf of the Bank.

9. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by post addressed to the Bank at its above referred branch, which shall be deemed to have been duly authorized to receive such notice and to effect payment thereof forthwith, and if sent

§Insert date at least 2 (two) years from the date of issuance of this Guarantee (in accordance with Clause 2.21 of the RFP). The Contractors can submit the BG for periods of two years at one time and keep on renewing the same till the DLP is over if they have problems in getting the BG in one go for the entire DLP.

by post it shall be deemed to have been given at the time when it ought to have been delivered in due course of post and in proving such notice, when given by post, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was posted and a certificate signed by an officer of the Authority that the envelope was so posted shall be conclusive.

10. This Guarantee shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force and effect for up to the date specified in paragraph 8 above or until it is released earlier by the Authority pursuant to the provisions of the Contract.

11. This Guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 Revision, ICC Publication No. 758, except that the supporting statement under Article 15(a) is hereby excluded.

12. This guarantee shall also be operatable at our Branch at New Delhi, from whom, confirmation regarding the issue of this guarantee or extension / renewal thereof shall be made available on demand. In the contingency of this guarantee being invoked and payment thereunder claimed, the said branch shall accept such invocation letter and make payment of amounts so demanded under the said invocation.

13. The guarantor/bank hereby confirms that it is on the SFMS (Structural Finance Messaging System) platform & shall invariably send an advice of this Bank Guarantee to the designated bank of [MoRT&H/NHAI/NHIDCL/State PWD/BRO], details of which is as under:

S.No	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Beneficiary	National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
2	Beneficiary Bank Account No.	90621010002659
3	Beneficiary Bank Branch	CNRB0019062
4	Beneficiary Bank Branch Name	Transport Bhawan, New Delhi
5	Beneficiary Bank Address	Canara Bank (erstwhile Syndicate Bank)transport Bhawan, 1st Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Signed and sealed this day of, 20..... at

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of the Bank by:

(Signature)

(Name)(Designation) (Code Number)

(Address)

VIII Format of LOA

(See Clauses 3.3.4)

No. _____

Government of India

National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.

3rd Floor, PTI Building, 4, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001

Dated,

To,

{Name of selected Bidder}

Subject: {project description} - Letter of Acceptance (LOA)-Reg.

Reference: Your bid for the subject work dated

Sir,

This is to notify you that your Bid dated for execution of the {project description}, at your quoted bid price amounting to Rs..... /- {amount in words} has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid and is substantially responsive and has been accepted.

3. You are requested to return a duplicate of the LOA as an acknowledgement and sign the Contract Agreement within the period prescribed given in Data Sheet of the RFP.
4. You are also requested to furnish Performance Security for an amount of {and Additional Performance Security for an amount of} as per Clause 2.21 of the RFP within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of this Letter of Acceptance (LOA). In case of delay in submission of Performance Security and Additional Performance Security, if any, you may seek extension of time for a period not exceeding 60 (Sixty) days in accordance with Clause 2.21 of RFP.
5. In case of failure of submission of Performance Security, Additional Performance Security (if any) and Security against Damages (if any) within the additional 60 (Sixty) days' time period, the award shall be deemed to be cancelled and/or you will be debarred from participating in the future projects of NHIDCL, for a period of one year.

“Accepted by

2023

(Name of the Authorized
Person)

(Name of the sole bidder/lead partner
of JV)Seal of the bidder"

Yours faithfully,
{authorized signatory}

Format of BOQ:

Validate

Print

Help

Tender Inviting Authority: National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL)						
Name of Work:						
Contract No:						
Name of the Bidder/ Bidding Firm / Company :						
<u>PRICE SCHEDULE</u>						
(This BOQ template must not be modified/replaced by the bidder and the same should be uploaded after filling the relevant columns, else the bidder is liable to be rejected for this tender. Bidders are allowed to enter the Bidder Name and Values only)						
NUMBER #	TEXT #	NUMBER #	TEXT #	NUMBER #	NUMBER #	TEXT #
Sl. No.	Item Description	Quantity	Units	Bid Price in Figure Excluding GST to be entered by the Bidder Rs. P	Total Amount in figure excluding GST	Total Amount in word excluding GST
1	Name of the Project	1.000	Lump Sum		₹ -	₹ Zero Only
Total in Figures					₹ -	₹ Zero Only
Quoted Rate in Words		₹ Zero Only				

Appendix-X

Letter Head of the Statutory Auditor
(Giving phone number, address and email address)

CERTIFICATE OF NET WORTH BY STATUTORY AUDITOR

1. This certificate is being issued on the request of(Name of the Bidder and address) for participating in tender in respect of National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation of India Ltd. in accordance with the applicable auditing standards and guidance Note issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India.
2. We M/s(Name of the Statutory Auditor) are statutory auditors of(Name of the Bidder) for the year ended 31st March 20XX (appropriate year may be filled in).

Note 1: In case the certificate is issued by any firm other than statutory Auditors of a company, the form no. ADT 1.duly filed with the Registrar of Companies is attached.

Note 2: In cases the Bidder does not have statutory auditor, the firm of chartered accountants that audited last financial statements/books of accounts shall be treated as Statutory Auditor while in case of a company, the statutory auditor shall have same meaning as ‘Auditor’ defined under the Companies Act, 2013.

3. We have obtained all relevant record and information that were necessary for providing this certificate.
4. We have read and understood the tender documents relating to financial (e.g. ‘Turnover’ and ‘Net worth’), verified the standalone audited financial statements of (Name of the Bidder), books of accounts and other relevant records and information as at 31st March 20XX produced before us by(Name of the Bidder), and on basis of such verification, information and explanation given to us, we certify that Net Worth of(Name of the Bidder) as on 31 March 20XX has been computed strictly in compliance with the provision of clause 2.2.2.9(ii) of the RFP documents of the NHIDCL and as under:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount (₹ in lakh)	Remarks
1	Paid of Equity Share Capital (This does not include advance against equity and application money pending allotment)		
2	Reserves and Surpluses (Other equity in case of Financial Statements are prepared under Ind AS) created out of profits)		
	2.1 Accumulated Profits		
	2.2 Share/Security premium		
	2.3 Other Reserves		
	Total		
	Less Accumulated losses, if any		
	Less Miscellaneous expenditure to the extent not written off or adjusted		
	Less Deferred Revenue Expenditure, if any		
	Less write back of depreciation, if any		
	Less any other reserve created out of profits like amalgamation, capital restructuring, first time adoption of Ind AS or debt restructuring prior to full settlement of debts.		

5. This is certified that the Calculation of Net worth is based on **standalone financial statements** of(Name of the Bidder) prepared in conformity with applicable Accounting Standards and it does not include following components:
- Advance against equity;
 - Share application money, pending allotment;
 - Redeemable or non-redeemable Preference share capital ;
 - Convertible and non-convertible debentures;
 - Revaluation Reserves;
 - Accumulated losses;
 - Write back of depreciation;
 - Other comprehensive income, in cases where financial statements are prepared based on Ind AS;
 - Reserves created from restructuring of debt etc till their settlement of debts;
 - Deferred Tax Liabilities; and
 - Impact of restructuring or amalgamation of the bidder.

For XYZ & Associates Chartered Accountant (FRN:)

Name of CA:

Partner/Proprietor Membership No.:

Place:

Date:

UDIN:

Letter Head of the Statutory Auditor

(Giving phone number, address and email address)

CERTIFICATE OF TURNOVER BY STATUTORY AUDITOR

1. This certificate is being issued on the request of(Name of the Bidder and address) for participating in tender in respect of National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation of India Limited in accordance with the applicable auditing standards and guidance Note issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India.
2. We M/s(Name of the Statutory Auditor) are statutory auditors of(Name of the Bidder) for the year ended 31st March 20XX (appropriate year may be filled in).
Note 1: In case the certificate is issued by any firm other than statutory Auditors of a company, the form no.
ADT 1.duly filed with the Registrar of Companies is attached.
Note 2: In cases the Bidder does not have statutory auditor, the firm of chartered accountants that audited last financial statements/books of accounts shall be treated as Statutory Auditor while in case of a company, the statutory auditor shall have same meaning as 'Auditor' defined under the Companies Act, 2013.
3. We have obtained all relevant record and information that were necessary for providing this certificate.
4. We have read and understood the tender documents relating to financial and technical capacity (e.g. 'Turnover' and 'Net worth'), verified the standalone audited financial statements of (Name of the Bidder), books of accounts and other relevant records and information as at 31st March 20XX produced before us by(Name of the Bidder), and on basis of such verification, information and explanation given to us, we certify as under:

S.No.	Financial year	Turnover (₹ In lakh)
1	Year 1 (2022-2023)	
2	Year 2 (2021-2022)	
3	Year 3 (2020-2021)	
4	Year 4 (2019-2020)	
5	Year 5 (2018-2019)	

In case financial statements of the latest financial year are not audited and therefore, the bidder cannot make it available, the bidder shall provide an undertaking to this effect and statutory auditor shall certify the same. In such case, the bidder shall provide the audited financial statements for five years immediately preceding the year for which

the audited annual report is not being produced as per clause 2.2.2.8 of the RFP which shall be considered for evaluation. In case, undertaking duly certified by Statutory auditor is not submitted under by the bidder, under such circumstances, the annual turnover for the year for which audited annual financial statements are not available shall be considered as 'Nil' for the purposes of arriving at the average annual turnover.

5. Annual Turnover updated to the price level of the year, based on factors indicated in table xxx of the tender documents, is given below:

Year	Year-1	Year-2	Year-3	Year-4	Year-5
Updation factor	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.15	1.20
Actual Turnover (₹ In lakh)					
Updated Turnover (₹ In lakh)					

Average Updated Turnover (to the price level of the year) = (₹ In lakh)

6. This is also certified that the Calculation of turnover is based on **standalone financial statements** of(Name of the Bidder) prepared in conformity with applicable Accounting Standards and it does not include any component of indirect tax like GST.
7. This is also certified that the that turnover mentioned in para 5 is in individual capacity of(Name of the Bidder) and its share in the Joint Venture where the work had been executed jointly with other party/parties and such a joint venture is not a separate legal entity. Further, the above turnover does not include any turnover related to joint venture or subsidiary having a separate legal entity.
8. This is also certified that turnover mentioned in para 5 is in respect of execution of construction/ civil /engineering activities and does not include any trading activity of (Name of the Bidder).

For XYZ & Associates Chartered Accountant (FRN.....)

Name of CA:

Partner/Proprietor Membership No.:

Place:

Date:

UDIN:

Certificate regarding Compliance with Restrictions under Rule 144 (xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs)

The General Manager (T)

NHIDCL,

Sub: BID for ****

Dear Sir,

With reference to your RFP document dated *** **\$, I/we, having examined the Bidding Documents and understood their contents, hereby undertake and confirm as follows:

I/We have read the clause regarding restrictions on procurement from a bidder of a country which shares a land border with India and on sub-contracting to contractors from such countries;

I certify that this Bidder is not from such a country or, if from such a country, has been registered with the Competent Authority and will not sub-contract any work to a contractor from such countries unless such contractor is registered with the Competent Authority.

I hereby certify that this bidder fulfils all requirements in this regard and is eligible to be considered.

Yours faithfully,

Date:
Place:

(Signature of the Authorised signatory)

(Name and designation of the of the Authorised signatory)

Name and seal of Bidder/Lead Member

Notes:

{Where applicable, evidence of valid registration by the Competent Authority shall be attached}

In case the above certification is found to be false, this would be a ground for immediate rejection of Bid/termination and further legal action in accordance with law.

National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation
Limited



Technical Schedules

FOR

Construction of Major Bridge design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli- Anini Road in the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC mode under SARDP-NE.

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION LTD (MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS,
GOVT. OF INDIA)

March 2024

NHIDCL, 3RD FLOOR, PRESS TRUST OF INDIA BUILDING, 4,
PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI - 110001

Schedule-A

(See Clauses 2.1 and 8.1)

Site of the Project

1 The Site

- (i) Site of the Two-lane Major Bridge shall include the land, buildings, structures and road works as described in Annex-I of this Schedule-A.
- (ii) The dates of handing over the Right of Way to the Contractor are specified in Annex-II of this Schedule-A.
- (iii) An inventory of the Site including the land, buildings, structures, road works, trees and any other immovable property on, or attached to, the Site shall be prepared jointly by the Authority Representative and the Contractor, and such inventory shall form part of the memorandum referred to in Clause 8.2 (i) of this Agreement.
- (iv) The alignment plans of the Major Bridge are specified in Annex-III. In the case of sections where no modification in the existing alignment of the Major Bridge is contemplated, the alignment plan has not been provided. Alignment plans have only been given for sections where the existing alignment is proposed to be upgraded. The proposed profile of the Project Highways shall be followed by the contractor with minimum FRL as indicated in the alignment plan. The Contractor, however, improve/upgrade the Road Profile as indicated in Annex-III based on site/design requirement.
- (v) The status of the environment clearances obtained or awaited is given in Annex-IV.

Annex – I

(Schedule-A)

Site

[Note: Through suitable drawings and description in words, the land, buildings, structures and road works comprising the Site shall be specified briefly but precisely in this Annex-I. All the chainages/ location referred to in Annex-I to Schedule-A shall be existing chainages.]

1. Site

The Site of the Two lane Major Bridge comprises the section of National Highway 313 commencing from km 28+092 to km 28+308 i.e., the Hunli - Anini section in the State of Arunachal Pradesh. The land, carriageway and structures comprising the Site are described below.

2. Land

The Site of the Major Bridge comprises the land as described below:

S. No.	Chainage (km)		Right of Way (m)	Remarks
	From	To		
1.	28+092	28+308	24	

3. Carriageway

There is no existing connectivity.

4. Major Bridges

The Site includes the following Major Bridges:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Structure			No. of Spans with span length (m)	Width (m)
		Foundation	Sub-structure	Super-structure		
		NIL				

5. Road over-bridges (ROB)/ Road under-bridges (RUB)

The Site includes the following ROB (road over railway line)/RUB (road under railway line):

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Structure		No. of Spans with span length (m)	Width (m)	ROB/ RUB
		Foundation	Superstructure			
		NIL				

6. Grade separators

The Site includes the following grade separators:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Structure		No. of Spans with span length (m)	Width (m)
		Foundation	Superstructure		
		NIL			

7. Minor bridges

The Site includes the following minor bridges:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Structure			No. of Spans with span length (m)	Width (m)
		Foundation	Sub-structure	Super-structure		
		NIL				

8. Railway level crossings

The Site includes the following railway level crossings:

S. No.	Location (km)	Remarks
	NIL	

9. Underpasses (vehicular, non-vehicular)

The Site includes the following underpasses:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Structure	No. of Spans with span length (m)	Width (m)
	NIL			

10. Culverts

The Site has the following culverts:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Type of Culvert	Span /Opening with span length (m)	Width (m)
	NIL			

11. Bus bays

The details of bus bays on the Site are as follows:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Length (m)	Left Hand Side	Right Hand Side
	NIL			

12. Truck Lay byes

The details of truck lay byes are as follows:

S. No.	Chainage (km)	Length (m)	Left Hand Side	Right Hand Side
	NIL			

13. Road side drains

The details of the roadside drains are as follows:

S. No.	Location		Type	
	From km	to km	Masonry/cc (Pucca)	Earthen (Kutchra)
	NIL			

14. Major junctions

The details of major junctions are as follows:

S. No.	Location		At grade	Separated	Category of Cross Road			
	From km	to km			NH	SH	MDR	Others
	NIL							

(NH: National Highway, SH: State Highway, MDR: Major District Road)

15. Minor junctions

The details of the minor junctions are as follows:

S. No.	Location		Type	
	From km	To km	T -junction	Cross road
	NIL			

16. Bypasses

The details of the existing road sections proposed to be bypassed are as follows:

S. No.	Name of bypass (town)	Chainage (km) From km to km	Length (in Km)
	NIL		

17. Existing Utilities

As per Site Condition

18. Other structures

[NIL]

Annex – II

(As per Clause 8.3 (i))

(Schedule-A)

Dates for providing Right of Way of Construction Zone

The dates on which the Authority shall provide Right of Way of Construction Zone to the Contractor on different stretches of the Site are stated below:

Sl. No	From km to km		Length (km)	Width (m)	Date of providing Right of Way*
(1)	(2)		(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Full Right of Way (full width)	28+092	28+308	0.216	24 m	100% on declaration of Appointed Date

*The dates specified herein shall in no case be beyond 150 (one hundred and fifty) days after the Appointed Date.

Annex - III

(Schedule-A)

Alignment Plans

The existing alignment of the Major Bridge shall be modified in the following sections as per the alignment plan indicated below:

- (i) The alignment of the Major Bridge is enclosed in alignment plan. Finished road level indicated in the alignment plan shall be followed by the contractor as minimum FRL. In any case, the finished road level of the Major Bridge shall not be less than those indicated in the alignment plan. The contractor shall, however, improve/upgrade the Road profile as indicated in Annex-III based on site/design requirement.
- (ii) Traffic Signage plan of the Major Bridge showing numbers & location of traffic signs is enclosed. The contractor shall, however, improve/upgrade upon the traffic signage plan as indicated in Annex-III based on site/design requirement as per the relevant specifications/IRC Codes/Manual.

Annex – IV

(Schedule-A)

Environment Clearances

The project Highway does not require Environment clearances as per MoEF corrigendum dated 22 aug 2023.

Schedule B

Schedule - B

(See Clause 2.1)

Development of the Major Bridge

1. Development of the Major Bridge shall include design and construction of the Project Highway as described in this Schedule-B and in Schedule-C.

2. **[Rehabilitation and augmentation]**

New Major Bridge is to be constructed as described in Annex-I of this Schedule-B and in Schedule-C. The Project Road traverses through Anini District in the State of Arunachal Pradesh and proposed for construction on EPC mode

3. **Specifications and Standards**

The Major Bridge shall be designed and constructed in conformity with the Specifications and Standards specified in Annex-I of Schedule-D.

Annex – I

(Schedule-B)

Description of [Major Bridge] §

[Note: Description of the Major Bridge shall be given by the Authority in detail together with explanatory drawings (where necessary) to explain the Authority's requirements precisely in order to avoid subsequent changes in the Scope of the Project. The particulars that must be specified in this Schedule-B are listed below as per the requirements of the Manual of Specifications and Standards for [Two Laning of Highways (IRC: SP-73:2018)], referred to as the Manual. If any standards, specifications or details are not given in the Manual, the minimum design/construction requirements shall be specified in this Schedule. In addition to these particulars, all other essential project specific details, as required, should be provided in order to define the Scope of the Project clearly and precisely.]

1. Widening of the Existing Highway

(i) The project highway shall follow the proposed alignment as specified by the Authority and shown in alignment plan specified in Annex III of Schedule -A. Geometrics deficiencies any, in the existing horizontal and vertical profiles shall be corrected as per the prescribed standard for hilly terrain to the extent land is available.

(ii) Width of Carriageway

Construction of Two-lane pavement without paved shoulder shall be undertaken. The paved carriageway shall be 7 m wide with hard shoulder in accordance with typical cross section drawing Provided that in the built-up areas [refer to paragraphs 2.1 (ii) (a) of the Manual and provide necessary details]: the width of the carriageway shall be as specified in the following table:

Sl. No.	Built-up stretch (Township)	Location (km to km)	Width (m)	Typical cross section (Ref. to Manual)
NIL				

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the width of the paved carriageway and cross-sectional features shall conform to paragraph 1.1 above.

2. Geometric Design and General Features

§ The contents of this Annex-I may be modified in accordance with the structure of the Project.

(i) General

Geometric design and general features of the Major Bridge shall be in accordance with Section 2 of the Manual IRC SP-73:2018 and IRC SP-48:1998.

(ii) Design speed

The design speed shall be the minimum design speed of 30 km per hour and ruling design speed of 50 km per hour for Hilly/ mountainous terrain].

(iii) Improvement of the existing road geometrics

Improvement of the existing alignment geometrics shall be carried out as per Section 2 of the Two lane manual (IRC : SP 73-2018). Contractor shall be responsible for matching the FRL of the bridge to the FRL of the Bridge approaches.

[Refer to paragraph 2.1 (v) of the Manual and provide details]

In the following sections, where improvement of the existing road geometrics to the prescribed standards is not possible, the existing road geometrics shall be improved to the extent possible within the given right of way and proper road signs and safety measures shall be provided:

Sl. No.	Stretch (from km to km)	Type of deficiency	Remarks
1.			

(iv) Right of Way

[Refer to paragraph 2.3 of the Manual]. Details of the Right of Way are given in Annex II of Schedule-A.

(v) Type of shoulders

[Refer to paragraph 2.5.2 of the Manual and specify]

(a) In built-up sections, footpaths/fully paved shoulders shall be provided in the following stretches:

Sl. No.	Stretch (From km to km)	Fully paved shoulders/ footpaths	Reference to cross section
	NIL		

(b) The shoulder shall be hard granular shoulder on both sides of the carriage way as per typical cross section provided in para (xi) of this schedule B.

(c) Design and specifications of Kerb and granular material shall conform to the requirements specified in the relevant Manual.

(vi) Lateral and vertical clearances at underpasses

- (a) Lateral and vertical clearances at underpasses and provision of guardrails/crash barriers shall be as per the provision of relevant Manual.
- (b) Lateral clearance: The width of the opening at the underpasses shall be as follows:

Sl. No.	Location (Chainage) (from km to km)	Span/ opening (m)	Remarks
	NIL		

(vii) Lateral and vertical clearances at overpasses

- (a) Lateral and vertical clearances at overpasses shall be as per the provision of relevant Manual.
- (b) Lateral clearance: The width of the opening at the overpasses shall be as follows:

Sl. No.	Location (Chainage) (from km to km)	Span/ opening (m)	Remarks
	NIL		

(viii) Service roads

Service roads shall be constructed at the locations and for the lengths indicated below:
[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Location of service road (from km to km)	Right hand side (RHS)/Left hand side (LHS)/ or Both sides	Length (km) of service road
	NIL		

(ix) Grade separated structures

- (a) Grade separated structures shall be provided as per provision of the relevant Manual. The requisite particulars are given below:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Location of structure	Length (m)	Number and length of spans (m)	Approach gradient	Remarks, if any
	NIL				

- (b) In the case of grade separated structures, the type of structure and the level of the Project Highway and the cross roads shall be as follows: [Refer to the

provision of relevant Manual and specify the type of vehicular under pass/ overpass structure and whether the cross road is to be carried at the existing level, raised or lowered]

Sl. No.	Location	Type of structure Length (m)	Cross road at			Remarks, if any
			Existing Level	Raised Level	Lowered Level	
	NIL					

(x) Cattle and pedestrian underpass /overpass

Cattle and pedestrian underpass/ overpass shall be constructed as follows: [Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify the requirements of cattle and pedestrian underpass/ overpass]

Sl. No.	Location	Type of crossing
	NIL	

(xi) Typical cross-sections of the Major Bridge

[Give typical cross-sections of the Major Bridge by reference to the Manual]

3. Intersections and Grade Separators

All intersections and grade separators shall be as per the provision of relevant Manual. Existing intersections which are deficient shall be improved to the prescribed standards.

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify the requirements. Explain where necessary with drawings/sketches/general arrangement]

Properly designed intersections shall be provided at the locations and of the types and features given in the tables below:

(i) At-grade intersections

Sl. No.	Location of intersection	Type of intersection	Other features
	NIL		

(ii) Grade separated intersection with/without ramps

Sl. No.	Location	Salient features	Minimum length of viaduct to be provided	Road to be carried over/under the structures
	NIL			

4. Road Embankment and Cut Section

- (i) Widening and improvement of the existing road embankment/cuttings and construction of new road embankment/ cuttings shall conform to the Specifications and Standards given in Section 4 of the Manual and the specified cross-sectional details. Deficiencies in the plan and profile of the existing road shall be corrected.
- (ii) Raising of the existing road [Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify sections to be raised]

The existing road shall be raised in the following sections:

Sl. No.	Section (From km to km)	Length	Extent of raising [Top of finished road level]
	NIL		

5. Pavement Design

- (i) N/A
- (ii) N/A

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and state specific requirement]

- (iii) Design requirements

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify design requirements and strategy]

- (a) Design Period and strategy
Stage Construction shall not be permitted.

Major Bridge shall be designed for a minimum design period of 50 years.

Design Traffic

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement or the Manual, the Contractor shall design the pavement for a design traffic of 20 million standard axles.

(iv) Reconstruction of stretches

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify the stretches, if any, to be reconstructed.]

The following stretches of the existing road shall be reconstructed. These shall be designed as new pavement.

Sl. No.	Stretch From km to km	Remarks
	NIL	

6. Roadside Drainage

Drainage system including surface and subsurface drains for the Major Bridge shall be provided as per the provision of relevant Manual.

7. Design of Structures

(i) General

(a) All bridges, culverts and structures shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provision of relevant Manual and shall conform to the cross-sectional features and other details specified therein.

(b) Width of the carriageway of new bridges and structures shall be as follows:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify the width of carriageway of new bridges and structures of more than 60 (sixty) metres length, if the carriageway width is different from 7.5 (seven point five) metres in the table below.]

Sl. No.	Bridge at km	Width of carriageway and cross-sectional features*
1	28+200	As per IRC SP:73-2018 Section 7.

(c) The following structures shall be provided with footpaths:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details of new Structures with footpath.]

Sl. No.	Location at km	Remarks
	NIL	

* Attach typical cross-section, if necessary.

- (d) All bridges shall be high-level bridges.

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and state if there is any exception]

- (e) The following structures shall be designed to carry utility services specified in table below:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Bridge at km	Utility service to be carried	Remarks
1.	28+200	Electrical/PHE/OFC/	New

- (f) Cross-section of the new culverts and bridges at deck level for the Major Bridge shall conform to the typical cross-sections given in the provision of relevant Manual.

(ii) Culverts

- (a) Overall width of all culverts shall be equal to the roadway width of the approaches.

- (b) Reconstruction of existing culverts:

The existing culverts at the following locations shall be re-constructed as new culverts:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Culvert location	Span/Opening (m)	Remarks, if any*
	NIL		

*[Specify modifications, if any, required in the road level, etc.]

- (c) Widening of existing culverts:

Sl. No.	Culvert location	Type, span, height and width of existing culvert (m)	Repairs to be carried out [specify]
	NIL		

- (d) Additional new culverts shall be constructed as per particulars given in the table below:

Sl No.	Culvert location	Span/Opening (m)
NIL		

- (e) Repairs/replacements of railing/parapets, flooring and protection works of the existing culverts shall be undertaken as follows:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Location at km	Type of repair required
		NIL

- (f) Floor protection works shall be as specified in the relevant IRC Codes and Specifications.

(iii) Bridges

- (a) Existing bridges to be re- constructed/widened

[(i) The existing bridges at the following locations shall be re-constructed as new Structures]

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Bridge location (km)	Salient details of existing bridge	Adequacy or otherwise of the existing waterway, vertical clearance, etc*	Remarks
			NIL	

*Attach GAD

- (ii) The following narrow bridges shall be widened:

Sl. No.	Location (km)	Existing width (m)	Extent of widening (m)	Cross-section at deck level for widening @
				NIL

@ Attach cross-section

- (b) Additional new bridges

[Specify additional new bridges if required, and attach GAD]

New bridges at the following locations on the Project Highway shall be constructed. GADs for the new bridges are attached in the drawings folder.

Sl. No.	Location (km)	Total length (m)	Remarks, if any
1.	28+200	216	Steel/RCC/BoW String/Cable stayed bridge/Suspended Structure with well/pile/rock bolt foundation

- (c) The railings of existing bridges shall be replaced by crash barriers at the following locations:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details:]

Sl. No.	Location at km	Remarks
	NIL	

- (d) Repairs/replacements of railing/parapets of the existing bridges shall be undertaken as follows:

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

Sl. No.	Location at km	Remarks
	NIL	

- (e) Drainage system for bridge decks

An effective drainage system for bridge decks shall be provided as specified in the provision of relevant Manual

- (f) Structures in marine environment

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify the necessary measures / Treatments for protecting structures in marine environment, where applicable]

(iv) Rail-road bridges

- (a) Design, construction and detailing of ROB/RUB shall be as specified in the provision of relevant Manual. [Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and specify modification, if any]

- (b) Road over-bridges

Road over-bridges (road over rail) shall be provided at the following level crossings, as per GAD drawings attached:

Sl. No.	Location of Level crossing (Chainage km)	Length of bridge (m)
	NIL	

- (c) Road under-bridges

Road under-bridges (road under railway line) shall be provided at the following level crossings, as per GAD drawings attached:

Sl. No.	Location of Level crossing (Chainage km)	Length of bridge (m)
	NIL	

- (v) Grade separated structures

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual]

The grade separated structures shall be provided at the locations and of the type and length specified in paragraphs 2 (ix) and 3 of this Annex-I.

- (vi) Repairs and strengthening of bridges and structures

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

The existing bridges and structures to be repaired/strengthened, and the nature and extent of repairs /strengthening required are given below:

- (a) Bridges

Sl. No.	Location of bridge (km)	Nature and extent of repairs /strengthening to be carried out
	NIL	

- (b) ROB / RUB

Sl. No.	Location of ROB/RUB (km)	Nature and extent of repairs /strengthening to be carried out
	NIL	

- (c) Overpasses/Underpasses and other structures

Sl. No.	Location of Structure (km)	Nature and extent of repairs /strengthening to be carried out
	NIL	

- (vii) List of Major Bridges and Structures

The following is the list of the Major Bridges and Structures:

Sl. No.	Location
1.	28+200

8. Traffic Control Devices and Road Safety Works

- (i) Traffic control devices and road safety works shall be provided in accordance with Section 9 of the IRC SP-73:2018. Polymer strips (min 1700 RM) on hazardous specially on shoulders of valley side curve.
- (ii) Specifications of the reflective sheeting. [As per the clause 9.3 of IRC: SP 73-2018 of Specification and Standards]

9. Roadside Furniture

- (i) Roadside furniture shall be provided in accordance with the provision of Section 9 of the IRC SP-73:2018.

- (ii) Overhead traffic signs:

Full Width Overhead Sign: 1no.

Cantilever Overhead sign: 1 Nos. (Locations to be finalized in consultation with Authority)

location and size

[Refer to the provision of relevant Manual and provide details]

10. Compulsory Afforestation

[The number of trees which are required to be planted by the contractor as compulsory afforestation shall be as per Forest Conservation Act and as per IRC SP-73:2018].

In addition, Hydroseeding /plantation or similar or hill slopes as slope protection works for minimum

11. Hazardous Locations

The safety barriers shall also be provided at the following hazardous locations:

Sl. No.	Location stretches from (km) to (km)	LHS/RHS
1.	NIL	

12. Special Requirement for Hill Roads

All special features shall be provided as per IRC: SP 73-2018 and IRC 48-1998.

The side slope shall be protected by using suitable slope protection measures all along the Major Bridge on Hill side and valley side.

No Major land slide location is identified along the project alignment however Contractor shall identify others areas if found after excavation and provide suitable protection measures to stabilize all the landslide zones. A report on the land slide zones shall be furnished along with the design for the review of the Authority Engineer. No change of scope shall be considered for the additional protection measures, if any.

13. Change of Scope

The length of Structures and bridges specified hereinabove shall be treated as an approximate assessment. The actual lengths as required on the basis of detailed investigations shall be determined by the Contractor in accordance with the Specifications and Standards. Any variations in the lengths specified in this Schedule- B shall not constitute a Change of Scope, save and except any variations in the length arising out of a Change of Scope expressly undertaken in accordance with the provisions of Article 13.

14. UTILITY SHIFTING

Shifting of obstructing existing utilities indicated in Schedule A to an appropriate location in accordance with the standards and specification of concerned Utility Owning Department is part of the scope of work of the Contractor/Concessionaire*. The bidders may visit the site and assess the quantum of shifting of utilities for the projects before submission of their bid. Copy of utility relocation plan is enclosed. The specification of concerned Utility Owning Department shall be applicable and followed.

Notes:

- a) The type/spacing/size/specifications of poles/towers/lines/cables to be used in shifting work shall be as per the guidelines of utility owning department and it is to be agreed solely between the contractor/Concessionaire* and the utility owning department. No change of scope shall be admissible and no cost shall be paid for using different type/spacing/size/specifications in shifted work in comparison to those in the existing work or for making any overhead crossing to underground as per requirement of utility owning department and/or construction of project highway. The contractor/concessionaire* shall carry out joint inspection with utility owning department and get the estimates from the utility owning department. The assistance of the Authority is limited to giving forwarding letter on the proposal of contractor/concessionaire* to utility owning department whenever asked by the contractor/concessionaire*. The decision/ approval of utility owning department shall be on the contractor/concessionaire*.
- b) The supervision charges at the rates/charges applicable of the utility owning department shall be paid directly by the Authority to the utility Owning department as and when contractor/concessionaire*furnishes demand of utility Owning Department along with a copy of estimated cost given by later.
- c) The dismantled material/scrap of existing Utility to be shifted/Dismantled shall belong to the contractor/concessionaire* who would be free to dispose-off the dismantled material as deemed fit by them unless the contractor/concessionaire* is required to deposit the dismantled material may be availed by the contractor/concessionaire* as per estimate agreed between them.
- d) The utilities shall be handed over after shifting work is completed to utility Owning Department to their entire satisfaction. The maintenance liability shall rest with the Utility Owning Department after Handing over Process is complete as far as utility shifting works are concerned.

Schedule-C

Schedule - C

(See Clause 2.1)

Project Facilities

1. Project Facilities

The Contractor shall construct the Project Facilities in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Such Project Facilities shall include:

- (a) toll plaza[s];
- (b) roadside furniture;
- (c) pedestrian facilities;
- (d) tree plantation;
- (e) truck lay-byes;
- (f) bus-bays and bus shelters;
- (g) rest areas; and
- (h) others to be specified

2. Description of Project Facilities

2.1 Toll Plazas

Toll Plaza shall be provided as per as stipulated in section 10 of the Manual. Canopy of Toll Plaza should be designed to withstand load of solar panels in addition to other design loads. Location of toll plaza is as per the following details.

Sl. No.	Toll Plaza ID	Design Chainage	Side	Min Number of Lanes
NIL				

Note:

- Installation of two number dedicated ETC lane (one lane in each direction) and Hybrid ETC System with provision of medium speed WIM with bending plate technology in each lane, and Static Weigh Bridge (one lane in each direction) at Toll Plaza and Configuration with Advance Traffic Management System.
- Above mentioned toll lanes are indicative. However, the actual

requirement of toll lanes shall be assessed by Contractor as per actual site condition and Manual. The increase in number of toll lanes shall not be treated as change of scope.

- Solar panels shall be erected over the Toll Plaza Canopy to generate the green energy. Same shall be utilized for toll plaza lighting and other energy requirement within toll plaza area along with conventional lighting.

2.2 Road side furniture

2.2.1 Kilometer and Hectometer Stones

Kilometer and Hectometer stones shall be provided on both side of project highway. The design and specifications of Kilometer and Hectometer stones shall conform to IRC:8 and IRC:26 respectively.

2.2.2 Road Signs

The Road Signs on project highway shall be provided in accordance with IRC: 67 2022 and as per schedule D. Locations of road signs are indicated in Appendix B-II (Traffic Signage Plan) of Schedule- B.

2.2.3 Road Marking

The Road Marking on project highway shall be provided in accordance with IRC: 35 and clause 9.3 of IRC: SP:73.

2.2.4 Road Delineators

The Road Delineators on project highway shall be provided in accordance with IRC: 79 and clause 9.4 of IRC: SP:73.

2.2.5 Solar Studs

The Solar Studs shall be provided throughout the project highway in accordance with table 5.2 of IRC: 35 and clause 9.5 of IRC: SP:73. Color of road studs shall be provided as per clause 5.4 of IRC 35.

2.2.6 Emergency Medical Services

Two ambulances shall be provided as per section 12 of IRC: SP:73. All facilities and equipment shall be provided as indicated in Annexure- D of section 12 of IRC: SP:73.

2.2.7 Crane Services

Two numbers of Cranes shall be provided of minimum 20MT capacity with all necessary equipment and fitted with GPS based tracking system as per clause 12.12 of IRC: SP:73.

2.2.8 Boundary Pillars

NIL

2.2.9 Crash Barrier

Thrie Beam crash barrier shall be provided along the project highway of minimum length of 432 m.

2.2.10 Railing

N/A

2.3 Operation and Maintenance centers

Dedicated operation and maintenance center shall be provided in accordance to Schedule D

2.4 Overhead Signs

Traffic sign boards as per details given below including the signage plan indicated in this Schedule shall be provided in the project highway in accordance to manual.

Sl. No.	Type of Sign
1	One Way Object Hazard Marker (OHM)
2	Two Way Object Hazard Marker (OHM)
3	Height restriction (Regulatory Sign)
4	Speed Limit Signs (Regulatory Sign)
5	Merging Traffic Ahead (Cautionary Sign)
6	Compulsory Keep Left Sign (Regulatory Sign)
7	Compulsory Ahead Sign (Regulatory Sign)
8	U-Turn Prohibited Sign (Regulatory Sign)
9	Give way sign (Regulatory Sign)
10	Chevron Marker (At Curves)
11	Triple Chevron Marker (At roundabout)
12	Reassurance Sign (Direction & Place Identification Sign)
13	Roundabout Sign (Cautionary Sign)
14	Left/ Right Hand Curve (Cautionary Sign)
15	Highway Route Marker Sign
16	Entry/ Exit Highway Sign (Information Sign)
17	End of Highway Sign
18	Map type Advance Direction Sign
19	Flag type Advance Direction Sign
20	Advance Directional Sign (Overhead Cantilever/ Gantry)
21	Rest Area Information Sign (Overhead Cantilever/ Gantry)
22	Slogan Gantry

Note:

1. The actual numbers and location of Traffic Signages shall be determined by the Concessionaire in accordance with manual requirements with approval from the Independent Engineer.
2. Any increase in the number and type of road sign shall not constitute a Change of Scope.
3. Adequate signs for toll plaza shall be provided as given in this schedule and manual.
- 4.

2.5 Pedestrian facilities;

Pedestrian Guard rails shall be provided at junctions, Truck lay byes, bus bays and nearschools and hospitals as per provisions in section 9.8 of the Manual

- i. Pedestrian guardrail: Provide pedestrian guardrail at each bus stop location and at other locations as per manual.
- ii. Pedestrian Crossings: Provide pedestrian crossing facilities on locations as recommended in Schedule D.

2.6 Land Scaping and Tree Plantation;

Land Scaping and tree plantation of the highway shall be provided as per section 11 of the manual. The locations for these provisions shall be

finalized in consultation with Authority Engineer. Total NIL nos. of trees (approx.) are identified to be affected in the proposed ROW, new trees to be planted by the EPC Contractor as per applicable law/guidelines. Any variation in no. of trees shall not constitute a change of scope.

2.7 Truck lay-byes

Truck Lay bye shall be provided at the following locations in accordance with section 12.5 of the manual at 2 locations.

Sl. No.	Design Chainage (m)	Side
Nil		

2.8 Way-side Amenities

As stipulated in section 12.10 of the manual, Way-side Amenities shall be provided at the following locations:

S. No.	Design Chainage	Side	Remarks
Nil			

2.9 Bus- shelters

No bus shelter shall be provided

2.10 Public Toilet-

NIL

2.11 High Mast LightingNIL

2.12 Others

1. Highway Patrol unit - as per manual
2. Highway LED Lighting: LED Lighting shall be provided at the following locations:
 - a. LED Traffic Beacons at all Major/Minor Junctions & Lighting on Bridges shall be provided at approach to bridges, built up areas, bus stops, truck Lay-byes and rest areas as per manual recommended in Schedule D.
 - b. Lighting in habitations (NIL.) shall be provided.
 - c. Apart from above locations lighting shall be provided at underpasses and ROB/RUB and as per site condition in consultation with Engineer and shall not be treated as change of scope.
3. Communication System: Communication System shall be provided as per provisions of the manual.
4. Operation and Maintenance Centre: Operation and Maintenance Centre shall be provided as per provisions of the manual.

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Traffic Diversion during Construction

The traffic diversion plan during construction shall be prepared by Contractors per IRC: SP: 55 for the entire project highway. Separate traffic diversion plan shall be prepared for structures and CD works.

The Contractor shall provide necessary Men Power for guiding and regulation of Traffic during construction

Schedule-D

Schedule - D

(See Clause 2.1)

Specifications and Standards

1. Construction

The Contractor shall comply with the Specifications and Standards set forth in Annex-I of this Schedule-D for construction of the Major Bridge.

2. Design Standards

The Major Bridge including Project Facilities shall conform to design requirements set out in the following documents:

Specifications for Two Laning of Highways (IRC SP-73:2018), Hill Manual IRC SP:48-1998 and Specification of roads and bridges work (fifth revision), MoRTH referred to herein as the Manual.

Annex – I

(Schedule-D)

Specifications and Standards for Construction

1. Specifications and Standards

All Materials, works and construction operations shall conform to the Manual of Specifications and Standards for [Two-Laning of Highways (IRC: SP:73:2018)], referred to as the Manual, and MORTH Specifications for Road and Bridge Works. Where the specification for a work is not given, Good Industry Practice shall be adopted to the satisfaction of the Authority's Engineer.

2. Deviations from the Specifications and Standards

- (i) The terms “Concessionaire”, “Independent Engineer” and “Concession Agreement” used in the Manual shall be deemed to be substituted by the terms “Contractor”, “Authority's Engineer” and “Agreement” respectively.
- (ii) [Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Paragraph 1 above, the following Specifications and Standards shall apply to the Project Highway, and for purposes of this Agreement, the aforesaid Specifications and Standards shall be deemed to be amended to the extent set forth below:]
- (iii) [Note 1: Deviations from the aforesaid Specifications and Standards shall be listed out here. Such deviations shall be specified only if they are considered essential in view of project-specific requirements.]

Schedule - E

(See Clauses 2.1 and 14.2)

Maintenance Requirements

1. Maintenance Requirements

- (i) The Contractor shall, at all times maintain the Project Highway in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits.
- (ii) The Contractor shall repair or rectify any Defect or deficiency set forth in Paragraph 2 of this Schedule-E within the time limit specified therein and any failure in this behalf shall constitute non-fulfilment of the Maintenance obligations by the Contractor. Upon occurrence of any breach hereunder, the Authority shall be entitled to effect reduction in monthly lump sum payment as set forth in Clause 14.6 of this Agreement, without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under this Agreement, including Termination thereof.
- (iii) All Materials, works and construction operations shall conform to the MORTH Specifications for Road and Bridge Works, and the relevant IRC publications. Where the specifications for a work are not given, Good Industry Practice shall be adopted.

[Specify all the relevant documents]

2. Repair/rectification of Defects and deficiencies

The obligations of the Contractor in respect of Maintenance Requirements shall include repair and rectification of the Defects and deficiencies specified in Annex - I of this Schedule-E within the time limit set forth therein.

3. Other Defects and deficiencies

In respect of any Defect or deficiency not specified in Annex - I of this Schedule-E, the Authority's Engineer may, in conformity with Good Industry Practice, specify the permissible limit of deviation or deterioration with reference to the Specifications and Standards, and any deviation or deterioration beyond the permissible limit shall be repaired or rectified by the Contractor within the time limit specified by the Authority's Engineer.

4. Extension of time limit

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary specified in this Schedule-E, if the nature and extent of any Defect or deficiency justifies more time for its repair or rectification than the time specified herein, the Contractor shall be entitled to additional time in conformity with Good Industry Practice. Such additional time shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer and conveyed to the Contractor and the Authority with reasons thereof.

5. Emergency repairs/restoration

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Schedule-E, if any Defect, deficiency or deterioration in the Project Highway poses a hazard to safety or risk of damage to property, the Contractor shall promptly take all reasonable measures for eliminating or minimizing such danger.

6. Daily inspection by the Contractor

The Contractor shall, through its engineer, undertake a daily visual inspection of the Project Highway and maintain a record thereof in a register to be kept in such form and manner as the Authority's Engineer may specify. Such record shall be kept in safe custody of the Contractor and shall be open to inspection by the Authority and the Authority's Engineer at any time during office hours.

7. Pre-monsoon inspection / post-monsoon inspection

The Contractor shall carry out a detailed pre-monsoon inspection of all bridges, culverts and drainage system before [1st June] every year in accordance with the guidelines contained in IRC: SP35. Report of this inspection together with details of proposed maintenance works as required on the basis of this inspection shall be sent to the Authority's Engineer before the [10th June] every year. The Contractor shall complete the required repairs before the onset of the monsoon and send to the Authority's Engineer a compliance report. Post monsoon inspection shall be done by the [30th September] and the inspection report together with details of any damages observed and proposed action to remedy the same shall be sent to the Authority's Engineer.

8. Repairs on account of natural calamities

All damages occurring to the Project Highway on account of a Force Majeure Event or wilful default or neglect of the Authority shall be undertaken by the Authority at its own cost. The Authority may instruct the Contractor to undertake the repairs at the rates agreed between the Parties.

Annex – I

(Schedule-E)

Repair/rectification of Defects and deficiencies

The Contractor shall repair and rectify the Defects and deficiencies specified in this Annex-I of Schedule-E within the time limit set forth in the table below.

Table -1: Maintenance Criteria for Pavements:

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
Flexible Pavement (Pavement of MCW, Service Road, approach)	Potholes	Nil	< 0.1 % of area and subject to limit of 10 mm in depth	Daily	Length Measurement Unit like Scale, Tape, odometer etc.	IRC 82: 2015 and Distress Identification Manual for Long Term Pavement Performance Program, FHWA 2003 (http://www.tfhr.com/pavement/ltp/reports/03031/)	24-48 hours	MORT&H Specification 3004.2

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
s of Grade structure, approaches of connecting roads, slip roads, lay byes etc. as applicable)	Cracking	Nil	< 5 % subject to limit of 0.5 sqm for any 50 m length	Daily			7-15 days	MORT&H Specification 3004.3
	Rutting	Nil	< 5 mm	Daily	Straight Edge		15 -30 days	MORT&H Specification 3004.2
	Corrugations and Shoving	Nil	< 0.1 % of area	Daily	Length Measurement Unit like		2-7 days	IRC:82-2015

Asset Type	Perform ance Paramet er	Level of Service (LOS)		Freque ncy of Inspect ion	Tools/Equip ment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/ Repair	Maintena nce Specificati ons
		Desirable	Accepta ble					
	Bleeding	Nil	< 1 % of area	Daily	Scale, Tape, odometer etc.		3-7 days	MORT&H Specificatio n 3004.4
	Ravelling / Stripping	Nil	< 1 % of area	Daily			7-15 days	IRC:82- 2015 read with IRC SP 81
	Edge Deformati on/ Breaking	Nil	< 1 m for any 100 m section and width < 0.1 m at any location, restricte	Daily			7- 15 days	IRC:82- 2015

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
			d to 30 cm from the edge					
	Roughness BI	2000 mm/km	2400 mm/km	Bi-Annually	Class I Profilometer	Class I Profilometer : ASTM E950 (98) :2004 –Standard Test Method for measuring Longitudinal Profile of Travelled Surfaces with Accelerometer Established Inertial Profiling Reference ASTM E1656 -94: 2000- Standard Guide for Classification of Automatic Pavement Condition Survey Equipment	180 days	IRC:82-2015
	Skid Number	60SN	50SN	Bi-Annually	SCRIM (Sideway-force Coefficient Routine Investigation Machine or equivalent)		180 days	BS: 7941-1: 2006
	Pavement Condition Index	3	2.1	Bi-Annually			180 days	IRC:82-2015

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
	Other Pavement Distresses			Bi-Annually			2-7 days	IRC:82-2015
	Deflection/Remaining Life			Annually	Falling Weight Deflectometer	IRC 115: 2014	180 days	IRC:115-2014
Rigid Pavement (Pavement of MCW, Service Road, Grade structure,	Roughness BI	2200m m/km	2400mm /km	Bi-Annually	Class I Profilometer	ASTM E950 (98) :2004 and ASTM E1656 - 94: 2000	180 days	IRC:SP:83-2008
	Skid	Skid Resistance no. at different speed of vehicles		Bi-Annually	SCRIM (Sideway-force	IRC:SP:83-2008	180 days	IRC:SP:83-2008

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
approaches of connecting roads, slip roads, lay byes etc. as applicable)		Minimum SN	Traffic Speed (Km/h)		Coefficient Routine Investigation Machine or equivalent)			
		36	50					
		33	65					
		32	80					
		31	95					
		31	110					

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Inspection	Tools/Equipment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/Repair	Maintenance Specifications
		Desirable	Acceptable					
Embankment/ Slope	Edge drop at shoulders	Nil	40mm	Daily	Length Measurement Unit like Scale, Tape, odometer etc.	IRC	7-15 days	MORT&H Specification 408.4
	Slope of camber/cross fall	Nil	<2% variation in prescribed slope of camber /cross fall	Daily			7-15 days	MORT&H Specification 408.4
	Embankment Slopes	Nil	<15 % variation in prescribe	Daily			7-15 days	MORT&H Specification 408.4

Asset Type	Perform ance Paramet er	Level of Service (LOS)		Freque ncy of Inspect ion	Tools/Equip ment	Standards and References for Inspection and Data Analysis	Time limit for Rectification/ Repair	Maintena nce Specificati ons
		Desirable	Accepta ble					
			side slope					
	Embankme nt Protection	Nil	Nil	Daily	NA		7-15 days	MORT&H Specification
	Rain Cuts/ Gullies in slope	Nil	Nil	Daily Speciall y During Rainy Season	NA		7-15 days	MORT&H Specification

In addition to the above performance criterion, the contractor shall strictly maintain the rigid pavements as per requirements in the following table

Table -2: **Maintenance Criteria for Rigid Pavements:**

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
CRACKING						
1	Single Discrete Cracks intersecting with any joint	w = width of crack L = length of crack d = depth of crack D = depth of slab	0	Nil, not discernible	No Action	Not applicable
			1	$w < 0.2$ mm. hair cracks		
			2	$w = 0.2 - 0.5$ mm, discernible from slow-moving car	Seal without delay	Seal, and stitch if $L > 1$ m. Within 7days
			3	$w = 0.5 - 1.5$ mm, discernible from fast-moving car		

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
2	Single Transverse (or Diagonal) Crack intersecting with one or more joints	w = width of crack L = length of crack d = depth of crack D = depth of slab	4	w = 1.5 - 3.0 mm	Seal, and stitch if L > 1 m.	Staple or Dowel Bar Retrofit, FDR for affected portion.
			5	w > 3 mm.	Within 7 days	Within 15 days
			0	Nil, not discernible	No Action	
			1	w < 0.2 mm, hair cracks	Route and seal with epoxy.	Staple or Dowel Bar Retrofit.
			2	w = 0.2 - 0.5 mm, discernible from slow vehicle	Within 7 days	Within 15 days
			3	w = 0.5 - 3.0 mm, discernible from fast vehicle	Route, seal and stitch, if L > 1 m. Within 7 days	

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
			4	$w = 3.0 - 6.0 \text{ mm}$	Dowel Bar Retrofit. Within 15 days	Full Depth Repair Dismantle and reconstruct affected. Portion with norms and specifications - See Para 5.5 & 9.2
			5	$w > 6 \text{ mm}$, usually associated with spalling, and/or slab rocking under traffic	Not Applicable, as it may be full depth	Within 15days
			0	Nil, not discernible	No Action	
3	Single Longitudinal Crack intersecting with one or more joints	w = width of crack L = length of crack d = depth of crack D = depth of slab	1	$w < 0.5 \text{ mm}$, discernable from slow moving vehicle	Seal with epoxy, if $L > 1 \text{ m}$. Within 7 days	Staple or dowel bar retrofit. Within 15days

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
			2	$w = 0.5 - 3.0$ mm, discernible from fast vehicle	Route seal and stitch, if $L > 1$ m. Within 15 days	-
			3	$w = 3.0 - 6.0$ mm	Staple, if $L > 1$ m. Within 15 days	Partial Depth Repair with stapling. Within 15 days
			4	$w = 6.0 - 12.0$ mm, usually associated with spalling	Not Applicable, as it may be full depth	
			5	$w > 12$ mm, usually associated with spalling, and/or slab rocking under traffic		Full Depth Repair Dismantle and reconstruct affected portion as per norms and specifications -

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
						See Para 5.6.4 Within 15 days
4	Multiple Cracks intersecting with one or more joints	w = width of crack	0	Nil, not discernible	No Action	-
			1	$w < 0.2$ mm, hair cracks	Seal, and stitch if $L > 1$ m.	
			2	$w = 0.2 - 0.5$ mm. discernible from slow vehicle	Within 15 days	
			3	$w = 0.5 - 3.0$ mm, discernible from fast vehicle	Full depth repair within 15 days	Dismantle, Reinstatement subbase, Reconstruct whole slab as per specifications within 30 days
			4	$w = 3.0 - 6.0$ mm panel broken into 2 or 3 pieces		
			5	$w > 6$ mm and/or panel broken		

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
				into more than 4 pieces		
5	Corner Break	w = width of crack L = length of crack	0	Nil, not discernible	No Action	-
			1	$w < 0.5$ mm; only 1 corner broken	Seal with low viscosity epoxy to	Seal with epoxy seal with epoxy Within 7 days
			2	$w < 1.5$ mm; $L < 0.6$ m, only one corner broken	secure broken parts Within 7 days	
			3	$w < 1.5$ mm; $L < 0.6$ m, two corners broken	Partial Depth (Refer Figure 8.3 of IRC:SP: 83-2008) Within 15 days	Full depth repair
			4	$w > 1.5$ mm; $L > 0.6$ m or three corners broken		
			5	ree or four corners broken		Reinstate sub-base, and reconstruct the

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
						slab as per norms and specifications within 30days
6	Punchout (Applicable to Continuous Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRCP) only)	w = width of crack L = length (m/m ²)	0	Nil, not discernible		No Action
			1	$w < 0.5 \text{ mm}; L < 3 \text{ m/m}^2$	Not Applicable, as it may be full depth	Seal with low viscosity epoxy to secure broken parts.
			2	either $w > 0.5 \text{ mm}$ or $L < 3 \text{ m/m}^2$		Within 15days
			3	$w > 1.5 \text{ mm}$ and $L < 3 \text{ m/m}^2$		
			4	$w > 3 \text{ mm}$, $L < 3 \text{ m/m}^2$ and deformation		Full depth repair -Cut out and replace damaged area taking care not to damage reinforcement.
			5	$w > 3 \text{ mm}$, $L > 3 \text{ m/m}^2$ and deformation		Within 30days

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
Surface Defects						
7	Ravelling Honeycomb surface	r = area damaged or surface/total type surface of slab (%) h = maximum depth of damage	0	Nil, not discernible	Short Term	Long Term
					No action.	Not Applicable
			1	$r < 2 \%$	Local repair of areas damaged	
			2	$r = 2 - 10 \%$	and liable to be damaged. Within 15 days	
			3	$r = 10-25\%$	Bonded Inlay, 2 or 3 slabs if	
			4	$r = 25 - 50 \%$	affecting.	

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
					Within 30 days	
			5	$r > 50\%$ and $h > 25 \text{ mm}$	Reconstruct slabs, 4 or more slabs if affecting. Within 30 days	
8	Scaling	$r = \frac{\text{damaged surface}}{\text{total surface of slab}} (\%)$ $h = \text{maximum depth of damage}$	0	Nil, not discernible	Short Term	Long Term
					No action.	
			1	$r < 2 \%$	Local repair of areas damaged	Not Applicable
			2	$r = 2 - 10 \%$	and liable to be damaged. Within 7days	

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
			3	$r = 10 - 20\%$	Bonded Inlay within 15 days	
			4	$r = 20 - 30 \%$		
			5	$r > 30 \%$ and $h > 25 \text{ mm}$	Reconstruct slab within 30 days	
9	Polished Surface/Glazing	t = texture depth, sand patch test	0		No action.	Not Applicable
			1	$t > 1 \text{ mm}$		
			2 '	$t = 1 - 0.6 \text{ mm}$	Monitor rate of deterioration	
			3	$t = 0.6 - 0.3 \text{ mm}$		
			4	$t = 0.3 - 0.1 \text{ mm}$		

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
			5	$t < 0.1 \text{ mm}$	Diamond Grinding if affecting 50% or more slabs in a continuous stretch of minimum 5 km. Within 30 days	
10	Popout (Small Hole) Pothole Refer Para 8.4	$n = \text{number/m}^2$ $d = \text{diameter}$ $h = \text{maximum depth}$	0	$d < 50 \text{ mm}; h < 25 \text{ mm}; n < 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	No action.	Not Applicable
			1	$d = 50 - 100 \text{ mm}; h < 50 \text{ mm}; n < 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	Partial depth repair 65 mm deep.	
			2	$d = 50 - 100 \text{ mm}; h > 50 \text{ mm}; n < 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	Within 15 days	

S.No.	Type of Distress	Measured Parameter	Degree of Severity	Assessment Rating	Repair Action	
					For the case $d < D/2$	For the case $d > D/2$
			3	$d = 100 - 300 \text{ mm}; h < 100 \text{ mm}; n < 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	Partial depth repair 110mm	
			4	$d = 100 - 300 \text{ mm}; h > 100 \text{ mm}; n < 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	i.e.10 mm more than the depth of the hole. Within 30 days	
			5	$d > 300 \text{ mm}; h > 100 \text{ mm}; n > 1 \text{ per } 5 \text{ m}^2$	Full depth repair. Within 30 days	

Joint Defects						
11	Joint Seal Defects	loss or damage L = Length as % total joint length	0	Difficult to discern.	Short Term	Long Term
					No action.	Not Applicable
			1	Discernible, $L < 25\%$ but of little immediate consequence with regard to ingress of water or trapping incompressible material.	Clean joint, inspect later.	
			3	Notable. $L > 25\%$ insufficient protection against ingress of water and trapping incompressible material.	Clean and reapply sealant in selected locations. Within 7 days	
			5	Severe; $w > 3 \text{ mm}$ negligible protection against ingress of water	Clean, widen and reseal the joint. Within 7 days	

				and trapping incompressible material.		
12	Spalling of Joints	w = width on either side of the joint L = length of spalled portion (as % joint length)	0	Nil, not discernible	No action.	Not Applicable
			1	w < 10 mm	Apply low viscosity epoxy resin/ mortar in cracked portion.	
			2	w = 10 - 20 mm, L < 25%	Within 7 days	
			3	w = 20 - 40 mm, L > 25%	Partial Depth Repair. Within 15 days	
			4	w = 40 - 80 mm, L > 25%	30 - 50 mm deep, h = w + 20% of w, within 30 days	
			5	w > 80 mm, and L > 25%	50 - 100 mm deep repair. H = w + 20% of w. Within 30 days	
13	Faulting (or Stepping)	f = difference of level	0	not discernible, < 1 mm	No action.	No action.

	in Cracks or Joints		1	$f < 3 \text{ mm}$		
			2	$f = 3 - 6 \text{ mm}$	Determine cause and observe, take action for diamond grinding	Replace the slab as appropriate.
			3	$f = 6 - 12 \text{ mm}$	Diamond Grinding	Within 30days
			4	$f = 12 - 18 \text{ mm}$	Raise sunken slab.	Replace the slab as appropriate. Within 30days
			5	$f > 18 \text{ mm}$	Strengthen subgrade and sub-base by grouting and raising sunken slab	
14	Blowup or Buckling	$h = \text{vertical displacement from normal profile}$	0	Nil, not discernible	Short Term	Long Term
					No Action	
			1	$h < 6 \text{ mm}$		
			2	$h = 6 - 12 \text{ mm}$	Install Signs to Warn Traffic	

			3	h = 12 - 25 mm	within 7 days	
			4	h > 25 mm	Full Depth Repair. Within 30 days	
			5	shattered slabs, ie 4 or more pieces	Replace broken slabs. Within 30 days	
15	Depression	h = negative vertical displacement from normal profile L =length	0	Not discernible, h < 5 mm	No action.	Not Applicable
			1	h = 5 - 15 mm		
			2	h = 15-30 mm, Nos <20% joints	Install Signs to Warn Traffic within 7 days	
			3	h = 30 - 50 mm		
			4	h > 50 mm or > 20% joints	Strengthen subgrade. Reinstate pavement at normal level	

			5	h > 100 mm	if L < 20 m. Within 30 days	
16	Heave	h = positive vertical displacement from normal profile. L = length	0	Not discernible. h < 5 mm	Short Term	Long Term
					No action.	scrabble
			1	h = 5 - 15 mm	Follow up.	
			2	h = 15 - 30 mm, Nos <20% joints	Install Signs to Warn Traffic within 7 days	
			3	h = 30 - 50 mm		
			4	h > 50 mm or > 20% joints	Stabilise subgrade. Reinstate pavement at normal level if length < 20 m. Within 30 days	
			5	h > 100 mm		
17	Bump	h = vertical	0	h < 4 mm	No action	

		displacement from normal profile	1	$h = 4 - 7 \text{ mm}$	Grind, in case of new construction within 7 days	Construction Limit for New Construction.
			3	$h = 7 - 15 \text{ mm}$	Grind, in case of ongoing Maintenance within 15 days	Replace in case of new construction. Within 30days
			5	$h > 15 \text{ mm}$	Full Depth Repair. Within 30 days	Full Depth Repair. Within 30days
18	Lane Shoulder Dropoff	to $f = \text{difference of level}$	0	Nil, not discernible $< 3\text{mm}$	Short Term	Long Term
					No action.	
			1	$f = 3 - 10 \text{ mm}$	Spot repair of shoulder within 7 days	
			2	$f = 10 - 25 \text{ mm}$		
			3	$f = 25 - 50 \text{ mm}$	Fill up shoulder	

			4	f = 50 - 75 mm	within 7 days	For any 100 m stretch Reconstruct shoulder, if affecting 25% or more of stretch. Within 30days
			5	f > 75 mm		
Drainage						
19	Pumping	quantity of fines and water expelled through open joints and cracks Nos	0	not discernible	No Action	
			1 to 2	slight/ occasional Nos < 10%	Repair cracks and joints Without delay.	Inspect and repair sub-drainage at distressed sections and upstream.
			3 to 4	appreciable/ Frequent 10 - 25%	Lift or jack slab within 30 days.	
		Nos/100 m stretch	5	abundant, crack development > 25%	Repair distressed pavement sections. Strengthen subgrade and subbase. Replace slab. Within 30 days	

20	Ponding	Ponding on slabs due to blockage of drains	0-2	No discernible problem	No action.	Action required to stop water damaging foundation within 30 days.
			3 to 4	Blockages observed in drains, but water flowing	Clean drains etc within 7 days, Follow up	
			5	Ponding, accumulation of water observed	-do-	

Table -3: Maintenance Criteria for Safety Related Items and Other Furniture Items:

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)			Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
Highway	Availability of Safe Sight Distance	As per IRC SP :84-2014, a minimum of safe stopping sight distance shall be available throughout.			Monthly	Manual Measurements with Odometer along with video/ image backup	Removal of obstruction within 24 hours, in case of sight line affected by temporary objects such as trees, temporary encroachments. In case of permanent structure or design deficiency: Removal of obstruction/improvement of deficiency at the earliest Speed Restriction boards and suitable traffic calming measures such as transverse bar marking, blinkers, etc. shall be applied during the period of rectification.		IRC:SP 84-2014
		Design Speed, kmph	Desirable Minimum Sight Distance (m)	Safe Stopping Sight Distance (m)					
		100	360	180					
		80	260	130					
Pavement Marking	Wear	<70% of marking remaining			Bi-Annually	Visual Assessment as per Annexure-F of IRC:35-2015	Re - painting	Cat-1 Defect – within 24 hours Cat-2 Defect - within 2 months	IRC:35-2015

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)		Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards	
	Day time Visibility	During expected life Service Time Cement Road - 130mcd/m ² /lux Bituminous Road - 100mcd/m ² /lux		Monthly	As per Annexure-D of IRC:35-2015	Re - painting	Cat-1 Defect – within 24 hours Cat-2 Defect – within 2 months	IRC:35-2015	
	Night Time Visibility	<u>Initial and Minimum Performance for Dry Retro reflectivity during night time:</u>		Bi-Annually	As per Annexure-E of IRC:35-2015	Re - painting	Cat-1 Defect – within 24 hours Cat-2 Defect – within 2 months	IRC:35-2015	
		Design Speed	(RL) Retro Reflectivity (mcd/m ² /lux)						
			Initial (7 days)						Minimum Threshold level (TL) & warranty period required up to 2 years
		Up to 65	200						80
		65 - 100	250						120
		Above 100	350						150
		<u>Initial and Minimum Performance for Night Visibility under wet condition (Retro reflectivity):</u>							

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)	Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
		Initial 7 days Retro reflectivity: 100 mcd/m ² /lux Minimum Threshold Level: 50 mcd/m ² /lux					
	Skid Resistance	Initial and Minimum performance for Skid Resistance: Initial (7days): 55BPN Min. Threshold: 44BPN *Note: shall be considered under urban/city traffic condition encompassing the locations like pedestrian crossings, bus bay, bus stop, cycle track intersection delineation, transverse bar markings etc	Bi-Annually	As per Annexure-G of IRC:35-2015		Within 24 hours	IRC:35-2015
Road Signs	Shape and Position	Shape and Position as per IRC:67-2012. Signboard should be clearly visible for the design speed of the section.	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Improvement of shape, in case if shape is damaged. Relocation as per requirement	48 hours in case of Mandatory Signs, Cautionary and Informatory Signs (Single and Dual post signs) 15 Days in case of Gantry/Cantilever Sign boards	IRC:67-2012
	Retro reflectivity	As per specifications in IRC:67-2012	Bi-Annually	Testing of each	change of signboard	48 hours in case of Mandatory	IRC:67-2012

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)	Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
				signboard using Retro Reflectivity Measuring Device. In accordance with ASTM D 4956-09.		Signs, Cautionary and Informatory Signs (Single and Dual post signs) 1 Month in case of Gantry/Cantilever Sign boards	
Kerb	Kerb Height	As per IRC 86:1983 depending upon type of Kerb	Bi-Annually	Use of distance measuring tape	Raising Kerb Height	Within 1 Month	RC 86:1983
	Kerb Painting	<u>Functionality:</u> Functioning of Kerb painting as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Kerb Repainting	Within 7-days	RC 35:2015
Other Road Furniture	Reflective Pavement Markers (Road Studs)	Numbers and Functionality as per specifications in IRC:SP:84-2014 and IRC:35-2015, unless specified in Schedule-B.	Daily	Counting	New Installation	Within 2 months	IRC:SP:84-2014, IRC:35-2015
	Pedestrian Guardrail	<u>Functionality:</u> Functioning of guardrail as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 15 days	IRC:SP:84-2014
	Traffic Safety Barriers	<u>Functionality:</u> Functioning of Safety Barriers as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 7 days	IRC:SP:84-2014, IRC:119-2015
	End Treatment of	<u>Functionality:</u> Functioning of End Treatment as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image	Rectification	Within 7 days	IRC:SP:84-2014,

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)	Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
	Traffic Safety Barriers			backup			IRC:119-2015
	Attenuators	Functionality: _____ Functioning of Attenuators as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 7 days	IRC:SP-2014, IRC:119-2015
	Guard Posts and Delineators	Functionality: Functioning of Guard Posts and Delineators as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 15 days	IRC: 79 - 1981
	Overhead Sign Structure	Overhead sign structure shall be structurally adequate	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 15 days	IRC:67-2012
	Traffic Blinkers	Functionality: Functioning of Traffic Blinkers as intended	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Rectification	Within 7 days	IRC:SP:84-2014
Highway Lighting System	Highway Lights	Illumination: Minimum 40 Lux illumination on the road surface	Daily	The illumination level shall be measured with luxmeter	Improvement in Lighting System	24 hours	IRC:SP:84-2014
		No major failure in the lighting system	Daily	-	Rectification of failure	24 hours	IRC:SP:84-2014
		No minor failure in the lighting system	Monthly	-	Rectification of failure	8 hours	IRC:SP:84-2014
	Toll Plaza Canopy Lights	Minimum 40 Lux illumination on the road surface	Daily	The illumination level shall be measured with luxmeter	Improvement in Lighting System	24 hours	IRC:SP:84-2014
		No major/minor failure in the lighting system	Daily	-	Rectification of failure	8 hours	IRC:SP:84-2014

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Trees and Plantation including median plantation	Obstruction in a minimum head-room of 5.5 m above carriageway or obstruction in visibility of road signs	No obstruction due to trees	Monthly	Visual with video/image backup	Removal of trees	Immediate	IRC:SP:84-2014
	Deterioration in health of trees and bushes	Health of plantation shall be as per requirement of specifications & instructions issued by Authority from time to time	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Timely watering and treatment.Or Replacement of Trees and Bushes.	Within 90 days	IRC:SP:84-2014
	Vegetation affecting sight line and road structures	Sight line shall be free from obstruction by vegetation	Daily	Visual with video/image backup	Removal of Trees	Immediate	IRC:SP 84-2014
Rest Areas	Cleaning of toilets	-	Daily	-	-	Every 4 hours	
	Defects in electrical, water and sanitary installations	-	Daily	-	Rectification	24 hours	

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)	Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
Other Project Facilities and Approach roads	Damage or deterioration in Approach Roads, pedestrian facilities, truck lay-bys, bus-bays, bus-shelters, cattle crossings, Traffic Aid Posts, Medical Aid Posts and other works		Daily	-	Rectification	15 days	IRC:SP 84-2014

Asset Type	Performance Parameter	Level of Service (LOS)	Frequency of Measurement	Testing Method	Recommended Remedial measures	Time limit for Rectification	Specifications and Standards
Pipe/box/slab culverts	Free waterway/unobstructed flow section	85% of culvert normal flow area to available.	2 times in a year (before and after rainy season)	Inspection by Bridge Engineer as per IRC SP: 35-1990 and recording of depth of silting and area of vegetation.	Cleaning silt up soils and debris in culvert barrel after rainy season, removal of bushes and vegetation, U/s of barrel, under barrel and D/s of barrel before rainy season.	15 days before onset of monsoon and within 30 days after end of rainy season.	IRC 5-2015, IRC SP:40-1993 and IRC SP:13-2004
	Leak-proof expansion joints if any	No leakage through expansion joints	Bi-Annually	Physical inspection of expansion joints as per IRC SP: 35-1990 if any, for leakage strains on walls at joints.	Fixing with sealant suitably	30 days or before onset of rains whichever comes earlier	IRC SP:40-1993 and IRC SP:69-2011
	Structurally sound	Spalling of concrete not more than 0.25 sqm	Bi-Annually	Detailed inspection of all components of culvert as per IRC SP:35-1990 and recording the defects	Repairs to spalling, cracking, delamination, rusting shall be followed as per IRC:SP:40-1993.	15 days	IRC SP 40-1993 and MORTH Specifications clause 2800
		Delamination of concrete not more than 0.25 sq.m.					
		Cracks wider than 0.3 mm not more than 1m aggregate length					

	Protection works in good condition	Damaged of rough stone apron or bank revetment not more than 3 sqm, damage to solid apron (concrete apron) not more than 1 sqm	2 times in a year (before and after rainy season)	Condition survey as per IRC SP:35-1990	Repairs to damaged aprons and pitching	30 days after defect observation or 2 weeks before onset of rainy season whichever is earlier.	IRC: SP 40-1993 and IRC:SP:13-2004.
Bridges including ROBs Flyover etc. as applicable	Riding quality or user comfort	No pothole in wearing coat on bridge deck	Daily	Visual inspection as per IRC SP:35-1990	Repairs to BC or wearing coat	15 days	MORT&H Specification 2811
Bridge -Super Structure	Bumps	No bump at expansion joint	Daily	Visual inspection as per IRC SP:35-1990	Repairs to BC on either side of expansion joints, profile correction course on approach slab in case of settlement to approach embankment	15 days	MORT&H Specification 3004.2 & 2811.
	User safety (condition of crash barrier and guard rail)	No damaged or missing stretch of crash barrier or pedestrian hand railing	Daily	Visual inspection and detailed condition survey as per IRC SP: 35-1990.	Repairs and replacement of safety barriers as the case may be	3days	IRC: 5-1998, IRC SP: 84-2014 and IRC SP: 40-1993.

Rusted reinforcement	Not more than 0.25 sq.m	Bi-Annually	Detailed condition survey as per IRCSP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	All the corroded reinforcement shall need to be thoroughly cleaned from rusting and applied with anti-corrosive coating before carrying out the repairs to affected concrete portion with epoxy mortar / concrete.	15 days	IRC SP: 40-1993 and MORTH Specification 1600.
Spalling of concrete	Not more than 0.50 sq.m					
Delamination	Not more than 0.50 sq.m					
Cracks wider than 0.30 mm	Not more than 1m total length	Bi-Annually	Detailed condition survey as per IRCSP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	Grouting with epoxy mortar, investigating causes for cracks development and carry out necessary rehabilitation.	48 Hours	IRC SP: 40-1993 and MORTH Specification 2800.
Rainwater seepage through deck slab	Leakage - nil	Quarterly	Detailed condition survey as per IRCSP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	Grouting of deck slab at leakage areas, waterproofing, repairs to drainage spouts	1 months	MORTH specifications 2600 & 2700.
Deflection due to permanent loads and	Within design limits.	Once in every 10 years for spans more	Load test method	Carry out major rehabilitation works on bridge to retain original design loads capacity	6 months	IRC SP: 51-1999.

	live loads		than 40 m			
	Vibrations in bridge deck due to moving trucks	Frequency of vibrations shall not be more than 5 Hz	Once in every 5 years for spans more than 30m and every 10 years for spans between 15 to 30 m	Laser displacement sensors or laser vibro-meters	Strengthening of super structure	4 months AASHTO LRFD specifications
	Leakage in Expansion joints	No damage to elastomeric sealant compound in strip seal expansion joint, no leakage of rain water through expansion joint in case of buried and asphalt plug and copper strip joint.	Bi-Annually	Detailed condition survey as per IRC SP:35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	Replace of seal in expansion joint	15 days MORTH specifications 2600 and IRC SP: 40-1993.
	Debris and dust in strip seal	No dust or debris in expansion joint	Monthly	Detailed condition survey as per IRC SP:35-1990 using	Cleaning of expansion joint gaps thoroughly	3 days MORTH specifications 2600 and

	expansion joint	gap.		Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit			IRC SP: 40-1993.
	Drainage spouts	No down take pipe missing/broken below soffit of the deck slab. No silt, debris, clogging of drainage spout collection chamber.	Monthly	Detailed condition survey as per IRC SP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	Cleaning of drainage spouts thoroughly. Replacement of missing/broken downtake pipes with a minimum pipe extension of 500mm below soffit of slab. Providing sealant around the drainage spout if any leakages observed.	3 days	MORTH specification 2700.
Bridge-substructure	Cracks/spalling of concrete/rusted steel	No cracks, spalling of concrete and rusted steel	Bi-Annually	Detailed condition survey as per IRC SP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	All the corroded reinforcement shall need to be thoroughly cleaned from rusting and applied with anti-corrosive coating before carrying out repairs to substructure by grouting/guniting and micro concreting depending on type of defect noticed	30 days	IRC SP: 40-1993 and MORTH specification 2800.

	Bearings	Delamination of bearing reinforcement not more than 5%, cracking or tearing of rubber not more than 2 locations per side, no rupture of reinforcement or rubber	Bi-Annually	Detailed condition survey as per IRC SP: 35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit	In case of failure of even one bearing on any pier/abutment, all the bearings on that pier/abutment shall be replaced, in order to get uniform load transfer on to bearings.	3 months	MORTH specification 2810 and IRC SP: 40-199.
Bridge Foundations	Scouring around foundations	Scouring shall not be lower than maximum scour level for the bridge	Bi-Annually	Condition survey and visual inspection as per IRC SP:35-1990 using Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit. In case of doubt, use Underwater camera for inspection of deep wells in major Rivers.	Suitable protection works around pier/abutment	1 month	IRC SP: 40-1993, IRC 83-2014, MORTH specification 2500
	Protection works in good condition	Damaged of rough stone apron or bank revetment not more than 3	2 times in a year (before and after rainy season)	Condition survey as per IRC SP:35-1990	Repairs to damaged aprons and pitching.	30 days after defect observation or 2	IRC: SP 40-1993 and IRC:SP:13-2004.

		sq.m, damage to solid apron (concrete apron) not more than 1 sq.m				weeks before onset of rainy season whichever is earlier.	
<p>Note: Any Structure during the entire contract period which is found that does not complies with all requirements of this Table will be prepared, rehabilitated or even reconstructed under the scope of the contractor.</p>							

Table 4: Maintenance Criteria for Structures and Culverts:

Table 5: Maintenance Criteria for Hill Roads

In addition to above, for hill roads the following provisions for maintenance is also to done.

Hill Roads		
(i)	Damage to Retaining wall/ Breast wall	7 (Seven) days
(ii)	Landslides requiring clearance	12 (Twelve) hours
(iii)	Snow requiring clearance	24 (Twenty Four) hours

Note: For all tables 1 to 5 above, latest BIS & IRC standards (even those not indicated herewith) along with MoRTH specifications shall be binding for all maintenance activities.

A. Flexible Pavement

Nature of Defect or deficiency		Time limit for repair/rectification
(b) Granular earth shoulders, side slopes, drains and culverts		
(i)	Variation by more than 1 % in the prescribed slope of camber/cross fall (shall not be less than the camber on the main carriageway)	7 (seven) days
(ii)	Edge drop at shoulders exceeding 40 mm	7 (seven) days
(iii)	Variation by more than 15% in the prescribed side (embankment) slopes	30 (thirty) days
(iv)	Rain cuts/gullies in slope	7 (seven) days
(v)	Damage to or silting of culverts and side drains	7 (seven) days
(vi)	Desilting of drains in urban/semi- urban areas	24 (twenty four) hours
(vii)	Railing, parapets, crash barriers	7 (seven) days (Restore immediately if causing safety hazard)
(c) Road side furniture including road sign and pavement marking		
(i)	Damage to shape or position, poor visibility or loss of retro- reflectivity	48 (forty eight) hours
(ii)	Painting of km stone, railing, parapets, crash barriers	As and when required/ Once every year
(iii)	Damaged/missing signs road requiring replacement	7 (seven) days
(iv)	Damage to road mark ups	7 (seven) days
(d) Road lighting		
(i)	Any major failure of the system	24 (twenty four) hours
(ii)	Faults and minor failures	8 (eight) hours
(e) Trees and plantation		

Nature of Defect or deficiency		Time limit for repair/rectification
(i)	Obstruction in a minimum head- room of 5 m above carriageway or obstruction in visibility of road signs	24 (twenty four)hours
(ii)	Removal of fallen trees from carriageway	4 (four) hours
(iii)	Deterioration in health of trees and bushes	Timely watering and treatment
(iv)	Trees and bushes requiring replacement	30 (thirty) days
(v)	Removal of vegetation affecting sight line and road structures	15 (fifteen) days
(f) Rest area		
(i)	Cleaning of toilets	Every 4 (four) hours
(ii)	Defects in electrical, water and sanitary installations	24 (twenty four) hours
(g) [Toll Plaza]		
(h)	Other Project Facilities and Approach roads	
(i)	Damage in approach roads, pedestrian facilities, truck lay- byes, bus-bays, bus-shelters, cattle crossings, [Traffic Aid Posts, Medical Aid Posts] and service roads	15 (fifteen) days
(ii)	Damaged vehicles or debris on the road	4 (four) hours
(iii)	Malfunctioning of the mobile crane	4 (four) hours
Bridges		
(a) Superstructure		
(i)	Any damage, cracks, spalling/ scaling Temporary measures Permanent measures	within 48 (forty eight) hours within 15 (fifteen) days or as specified by the Authority's Engineer
(b) Foundations		

Nature of Defect or deficiency		Time limit for repair/ rectification
(i)	Scouring and/or cavitation	15 (fifteen) days
(c) Piers, abutments, return walls and wing walls		
(i)	Cracks and damages including settlement and tilting, spalling, scaling	30 (thirty) days
(d) Bearings (metallic) of bridges		
(i)	Deformation, damages, tilting or shifting of bearings	15 (fifteen) days Greasing of metallic bearings once in a year
(e) Joints		
(i)	Malfunctioning of joints	15 (fifteen) days
(f) Other items		
(i)	Deforming of pads in elastomeric bearings	7 (seven) days
(ii)	Gathering of dirt in bearings and joints; or clogging of spouts, weep holes and vent-holes	3 (three) days
(iii)	Damage or deterioration in kerbs, parapets, handrails and crash barriers	3 (three) days (immediately within 24 hours if posing danger to safety)
(iv)	Rain-cuts or erosion of banks of the side slopes of approaches	7 (seven) days
(v)	Damage to wearing coat	15 (fifteen) days
(vi)	Damage or deterioration in approach slabs, pitching, apron, toes, floor or guide bunds	30 (thirty) days
(vii)	Growth of vegetation affecting the structure or obstructing the waterway	15 (fifteen) days
(g) Hill Roads		
(i)	Damage to retaining wall/breast wall	7 (seven) days
(ii)	Landslides requiring clearance	12 (twelve) hours

Nature of Defect or deficiency		Time limit for repair/ rectification
(iii)	Snow requiring clearance	24 (twenty four) hours

[Note: Where necessary, the Authority may modify the time limit for repair/rectification, or add to the nature of Defect or deficiency before issuing the bidding document, with the approval of the competent authority.]

Schedule - F

(See Clause 4.1 (vii)(a))

Applicable Permits

1. Applicable Permits

- (i) The Contractor shall obtain, as required under the Applicable Laws, the following Applicable Permits:
 - (a) Permission of the State Government for extraction of boulders from quarry;
 - (b) Permission of Village Panchayats and Pollution Control Board for installation of crushers;
 - (c) Licence for use of explosives;
 - (d) Permission of the State Government for drawing water from river/reservoir;
 - (e) Licence from inspector of factories or other competent Authority for setting up batching plant;
 - (f) Clearance of Pollution Control Board for setting up batching plant;
 - (g) Clearance of Village Panchayats and Pollution Control Board for setting up asphalt plant;
 - (h) Permission of Village Panchayats and State Government for borrow earth; and
 - (i) Any other permits or clearances required under Applicable Laws.
- (ii) Applicable Permits, as required, relating to environmental protection and conservation shall have been procured by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

Schedule – G

(See Clauses 7.1 and 19.2)

Annex-I

(See Clause 7.1)

Form of Bank Guarantee

[Performance Security/Additional Performance Security]

To

_____ [name of Authority]

_____ [address of Authority]

WHEREAS _____ [name and address of Contractor] (hereafter called the “Contractor”) has undertaken, in pursuance of Letter of Acceptance (LOA) No. Dated _ for construction of [name of the Project] (hereinafter called the “Contract”) —

AND WHEREAS the Contract requires the Contractor to furnish an {Performance Security/ Additional Performance Security} for due and faithful performance of its obligations, under and in accordance with the Contract, during the {Construction Period/ Defects Liability Period and Maintenance Period} in a sum of Rs..... cr. (Rupees

.....)

crore) (the “Guarantee Amount”¹).

AND WHEREAS we, through our branch at

.....
.....(the “Bank”) have agreed to furnish this Bank Guarantee (hereinafter called the “Guarantee”) by way of Performance Security.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bank hereby, unconditionally and irrevocably, guarantees and affirms as follows:

1. The Bank hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the due and faithful performance of the Contractor’s obligations during the {Construction Period/ Defects Liability Period and Maintenance Period} under and in accordance with the Agreement, and agrees and undertakes to pay to the Authority, upon its mere first written demand, and without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest, and without any reference to the Contractor, such sum or sums up to an aggregate sum of the Guarantee Amount as the Authority shall claim, without the Authority being required to prove or to show grounds or reasons for its demand and/or for the sum specified therein.
2. A letter from the Authority, under the hand of an officer not below the rank [General Manager in the National Highways Authority of India], that the Contractor

has committed default in the due and faithful performance of all or any of its obligations under and in accordance with the Agreement shall be conclusive, final and binding on the Bank. The Bank further agrees that the Authority shall be the sole judge as to whether the Contractor is in default in due and faithful performance of its obligations during and under the Agreement and its decision that the Contractor is in default shall be final and binding on the Bank, notwithstanding any differences between the Authority and the Contractor, or any dispute between them pending before any court, tribunal, arbitrators or any other authority or body, or by the discharge of the Contractor for any reason whatsoever.

3. In order to give effect to this Guarantee, the Authority shall be entitled to act as if the Bank were the principal debtor and any change in the constitution of the Contractor and/or the Bank, whether by their absorption with any other body or corporation or otherwise, shall not in any way or manner affect the liability or obligation of the Bank under this Guarantee.
4. It shall not be necessary, and the Bank hereby waives any necessity, for the Authority to proceed against the Contractor before presenting to the Bank its demand under this Guarantee.
5. The Authority shall have the liberty, without affecting in any manner the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee, to vary at any time, the terms and conditions of the Agreement or to extend the time or period for the compliance with, fulfillment and/or performance of all or any of the obligations of the Contractor contained in the Agreement or to postpone for any time, and from time to time, any of the rights and powers exercisable by the Authority against the Contractor, and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the Agreement and/or the securities available to the Authority, and the Bank shall not be released from its liability and obligation under these presents by any exercise by the Authority of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reason of time being given to the Contractor or any other forbearance, indulgence, act or omission on the part of the Authority or of any other matter or thing whatsoever which under any law relating to sureties and guarantors would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Bank from its liability and obligation under this Guarantee and the Bank hereby waives all of its rights under any such law.
6. This Guarantee is in addition to and not in substitution of any other guarantee or security now or which may hereafter be held by the Authority in respect of or relating to the Agreement or for the fulfillment, compliance and/or performance of all or any of the obligations of the Contractor under the Agreement.
7. Notwithstanding anything contained hereinbefore, the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee is restricted to the Guarantee Amount and this Guarantee will remain in force for the period specified in paragraph 8 below and unless a demand or claim in writing is made by the Authority on the Bank under this Guarantee all rights of the Authority under this Guarantee shall be forfeited and

the Bank shall be relieved from its liabilities hereunder.

8. The Guarantee shall cease to be in force and effect on ****\$. Unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made in writing before expiry of the Guarantee, the Bank shall be discharged from its liabilities hereunder.
9. The Bank undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency, except with the previous express consent of the Authority in writing, and declares and warrants that it has the power to issue this Guarantee and the undersigned has full powers to do so on behalf of the Bank.
10. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by post addressed to the Bank at its above referred branch, which shall be deemed to have been duly authorised to receive such notice and to effect payment thereof forthwith, and if sent by post it shall be deemed to have been given at the time when it ought to have been delivered in due course of post and in proving such notice, when given by post, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was posted and a certificate signed by an officer of the Authority that the envelope was so posted shall be conclusive.
11. This Guarantee shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force and effect for up to the date specified in paragraph 8 above or until it is released earlier by the Authority pursuant to the provisions of the Agreement.
12. This Guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 Revision, ICC Publication No. 758, except that the supporting statement under Article 15(a) is hereby excluded.
13. This guarantee shall also be operatable at our Branch at New Delhi, from whom, confirmation regarding the issue of this guarantee or extension / renewal thereof shall be made available on demand. In the contingency of this guarantee being invoked and payment thereunder claimed, the said branch shall accept such invocation letter and make payment of amounts so demanded under the said invocation.
14. The guarantor/bank hereby confirms that it is on the SFMS (Structural Finance Messaging System) platform & shall invariably send an advice of this Bank Guarantee to the designated bank of NHIDCL, details of which is as under:

Insert date at least 2 (two) years from the date of issuance of this Guarantee (in accordance with Clause 2.21 of the RFP). The Contractors can submit the BG for periods of two years at one time and keep on renewing the same till the DLP is over if they have problems in getting the BG in one go for the entire DLP.

S.No.	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Beneficiary	National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
2	Beneficiary Bank Account No.	90621010002659
3	Beneficiary Bank Branch IFSC	CNRB0019062
4	Beneficiary Bank Branch Name	Transport Bhawan, New Delhi
5	Beneficiary Bank Address	Canara Bank (erstwhile Syndicate Bank) transport Bhawan, 1st Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Signed and sealed this day of, 20..... at
SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of the Bank by:

(Signature)

(Name)

(Designation)

(Code Number)

(Address)

NOTES:

- (i) The bank guarantee should contain the name, designation and code number of the officer(s) signing the guarantee.
- (ii) The address, telephone number and other details of the head office of the Bank as well as of issuing branch should be mentioned on the covering letter of issuing branch.

Annex - II
(Schedule - G)
(See Clause 19.2)

Annex - II: Form for Guarantee for Advance Payment

To

_____ [name of
Authority]
_____ [address of Authority]

WHEREAS:

- (A) [name and address of contractor] (hereinafter called the "**Contractor**") has executed an agreement (hereinafter called the "**Agreement**") with the [name and address of the authority], (hereinafter called the "**Authority**") for the construction of the
***** section of [National Highway No. **] on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (the "**EPC**") basis, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.
- (B) In accordance with Clause 19.2 of the Agreement, the Authority shall make to the Contractor an interest bearing @Bank Rate + 3% advance payment (herein after called "**Advance Payment**") equal to 10% (ten per cent) of the Contract Price; and that the Advance Payment shall be made in two installments subject to the Contractor furnishing an irrevocable and unconditional guarantee by a scheduled bank for an amount equivalent to 110% (one hundred and ten percent) of such installment to remain effective till the complete and full repayment of the installment of the Advance Payment as security for compliance with its obligations in accordance with the Agreement. The amount of
{first/second} installment of the Advance Payment is Rs. _____ cr. (Rupees _____ crore) and the amount of this Guarantee is Rs. _____ cr. (Rupees _____ crore) (the "**Guarantee Amount**")².
- (C) We, through our branch at (the "Bank") have agreed to furnish this bank guarantee (hereinafter called the "Guarantee") for the Guarantee Amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Bank hereby, unconditionally and irrevocably, guarantees and affirms as follows:

1. The Bank hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees the due and faithful repayment on time of the aforesaid instalment of the Advance Payment under and in accordance with the Agreement, and agrees and undertakes to pay to the Authority, upon its mere first written demand, and without any demur, reservation, recourse, contest or protest, and without any reference to the Contractor, such sum or sums up to an aggregate sum of the Guarantee Amount as the Authority shall claim, without the Authority being required to prove or to show grounds or reasons for its demand and/or for the sum specified therein.
2. A letter from the Authority, under the hand of an officer not below the rank of [General Manager in the National Highways Authority of

India], that the Contractor has committed default in the due and faithful performance of all or any of its obligations for the repayment of the instalment of the Advance Payment under and in accordance with the Agreement shall be conclusive, final and binding on the Bank. The Bank further agrees that the Authority shall be the sole judge as to whether the Contractor is in default in due and faithful performance of its obligations during and under the Agreement and its decision that the Contractor is in default shall be final and binding on the Bank, notwithstanding any differences between the Authority and the Contractor, or any dispute between them pending before any court, tribunal, arbitrators or any other authority or body, or by the discharge of the Contractor for any reason whatsoever.

3. In order to give effect to this Guarantee, the Authority shall be entitled to act as if the Bank were the principal debtor and any change in the constitution of the Contractor and/or the Bank, whether by their absorption with any other body or corporation or otherwise, shall not in any way or manner affect the liability or obligation of the Bank under this Guarantee.
4. It shall not be necessary, and the Bank hereby waives any necessity, for the Authority to proceed against the Contractor before presenting to the Bank its demand under this Guarantee.
5. The Authority shall have the liberty, without affecting in any manner the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee, to vary at any time, the terms and conditions of the Advance Payment or to extend the time or period of its repayment or to postpone for any time, and from time to time, any of the rights and powers exercisable by the Authority against the Contractor, and either to enforce or forbear from enforcing any of the terms and conditions contained in the Agreement and/or the securities available to the Authority, and the Bank shall not be released from its liability and obligation under these presents by any exercise by the Authority of the liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or by reason of time being given to the Contractor or any other forbearance, indulgence, act or omission on the part of the Authority or of any other matter or thing whatsoever which under any law relating to sureties and guarantors would but for this provision have the effect of releasing the Bank from its liability and obligation under this Guarantee and the Bank hereby waives all of its rights under any such law.
6. This Guarantee is in addition to and not in substitution of any other guarantee or security now or which may hereafter be held by the Authority in respect of or relating to the Advance Payment.
7. Notwithstanding anything contained herein before, the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee is restricted to the Guarantee Amount and this Guarantee will remain in force for the period specified in paragraph 8 below and unless a demand or claim in writing is made by the Authority on the Bank under this Guarantee all rights of the Authority under this Guarantee shall be forfeited and the Bank shall be relieved from its liabilities hereunder.
8. The Guarantee shall cease to be in force and effect on ****³ Unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made in writing on or before the aforesaid date, the Bank shall be discharged from its liabilities hereunder.

9. The Bank undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency, except with the previous express consent of the Authority in writing, and declares and warrants that it has the power to issue this Guarantee and the undersigned has full powers to do so on behalf of the Bank.
10. Any notice by way of request, demand or otherwise hereunder may be sent by post addressed to the Bank at its above referred branch, which shall be deemed to have been duly authorised to receive such notice and to effect payment thereof forthwith, and if sent by post it shall be deemed to have been given at the time when it ought to have been delivered in due course of post and in proving such notice, when given by post, it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope containing the notice was posted and a certificate signed by an officer of the Authority that the envelope was so posted shall be conclusive.
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SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
 For and on behalf of the Bank by:
 (Signature
) (Name) (Designation) (Code
 Number)
 (Address)

NOTES:

- (i) The bank guarantee should contain the name, designation and code number of the officer(s) signing the guarantee.
- (ii) The address, telephone number and other details of the head office of the Bank as well as of issuing branch should be mentioned on the covering letter of issuing branch.

SCHEDULE - H

(See Clauses 10.1.4 and 19.3)

1.1 The Contract Price for this Agreement is Rs. *****

1.2 Proportions of the Contract Price for different stages of Construction of the Project Highway shall be as specified below:

Item	Weightage in percentage to the Contract Price	Stage for Payment	Percentage weightage
1	2	3	4
Road works including culverts, widening and repair of culverts.	00.00%	A- Widening and strengthening of existing road	
		(1) Site Clearance	0.00%
		(2) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(3) Sub-Base course	0.00%
		(4) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(5) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(6) Wearing Coat	0.00%
		(7) Widening and repair of culverts	0.00%
		B-1 Reconstruction/New 2-lane realignment/bypass (Flexible pavement)	
		(1) Site Clearance	0.00%
		(2) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(3) Sub-Base course	0.00%
		(4) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(5) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(6) Wearing Coat	0.00%
		B-2 Reconstruction/New 2-lane	

		realignment/bypass (Rigid pavement)	
		(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(2) Sub-base Course	0.00%
		(3) Dry Lean Concrete (DLC) Course	0.00%
		(4) Pavement Quality Control (PQC) Course	0.00%
		C-1 Reconstruction/New service road (Flexible pavement)	
		(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(2) Sub-base Course	0.00%
		(3) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(4) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(5) Wearing Coat	0.00%
		C-2 Reconstruction/New service road (Rigid pavement)	
		(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(2) Sub-base Course	0.00%
		(3) Dry Lean Concrete (DLC) Course	0.00%
		(4) Pavement Quality Control (PQC) Course	0.00%
		D- Re-construction and New culverts on existing road, realignments, bypasses:	
		Culverts (Length < 6 m)	00.00%
Minor Bridges/Underpasses/Overpasses	0.00%	A-1 Widening and repairs of Minor Bridges (Length > 6 m and < 60 m)	
		Minor Bridges	
		A-2 New Minor Bridges (Length > 6 m and < 60 m)	

		(1) Foundation + Sub-structure: On completion of the foundation work including foundations for wing and return walls, abutments, piers upto the abutment/pier cap.	00.00%
		(2) Super-structure: On completion of the super-structure in all respects including wearing coat, bearings, expansion joints, hand rails, crash barriers, road signs & markings, tests on completion etc. complete in all respect.	00.00%
		(3) Approaches: On completion of approaches including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works complete in all respect and fit for use.	00.00%
		(4) Guide Bunds and River Training Works: On completion of Guide Bunds and river training works complete in all respects	0.00%
		B.1- Widening and repair of underpasses/overpasses	
		Underpasses/Overpasses	0.00%
		B.2- New underpasses/overpasses	
		(1) Foundation + Sub-structure: On completion of the foundation work including foundations for wing and return walls, abutments, piers upto the abutment/pier cap.	0.00%

		(2) Super-structure: On completion of the super- structure in all respects including wearing coat, bearings, expansion joints, hand rails, crash barriers, road signs & markings, tests on completion etc. complete in all respect.	0.00%
		Wearing coat (a) in case of Overpass-wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of underpass-rigid pavement including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified.	
		(3) Approaches: On completion of approaches including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Walls, stone pitching, protection works complete in all respect and fit for use.	0.00%
Major Bridge (length>60 m) works and ROB/RUB/elevated sections/flyovers including viaducts, if any	0.00%	A.1- Repair and Rehabilitation of Major Bridge	
		(1) Foundation	0.00%
		(2) Sub-structure	0.00%
		(3) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	
		(4) Wearing Coat Including expansion joints	0.00%
		(5) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%
		(6) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%
		(7) Guide Bunds, River Training Works etc.	0.00%
		(8) Approaches (including retaining	0.00%

		walls, stone pitching, protection works)	
Major Bridge (length>60 m) works and ROB/RUB/elevated sections/flyovers including viaducts, if any	100%	A.2- New Major Bridges	
		(1) Foundation	10%
		(2) Sub-structure	10%
		(3) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	65%
		(4) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	5%
		(5) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	5%
		(6) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%
		(7) Guide Bunds, River Training Works etc.	0.00%
		(8) Approaches (including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works)	5%
		B.1- Widening and repair of ROB (a) RUB	
		(1) Foundation	0.00%
		(2) Sub-structure	0.00%
		(3) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%
		(4) Wearing Coat (a) in case of ROB- wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of RUB-rigid pavement under RUB including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified	0.00%

		(3) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%
		(4) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	0.00%
		(5) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%
		(6) Wingwalls/return walls	0.00%
		(7) Approaches (including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Wall, stone pitching, protection works)	0.00%
		C.2- New Elevated Sections/Flyover/Grade Separators	
		(1) Foundation	0.00%
		(2) Sub-structure	0.00%
		(3) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%
		(4) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	0.00%
		(5) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%
		(6) Wingwalls/return walls	0.00%
		(7) Approaches (including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Wall, stone pitching, protection works)	0.00%
Utility Shifting	0.00%	Shifting of Electrical Utilities and PHE	100.00%
Other Works	0.00%	1. Protection Works	
		i) Retaining Wall	0.00%
		ii) Breast Wall	0.00%
		iii) Thrive Beam Crash Barrier	0.00%
		iv) Parapet Wall	0.00%

		v) Tubular steel Railing	0.00%
		2. Toll Plaza	0.00%
		3. Road side drains and drains cum footpath	0.00%
		4. Road signs, markings, km stones, safety devices.	0.00%
		5. Project facilities	
		a. Bus Bays	0.00%
		b. Truck lay-byes	0.00%
		c. Rest areas	0.00%
		d. Site Clearance	0.00%
		e. Boundary Pillars	0.00%
		f. Junctions and connecting road with covered drain to Parking	0.00%
		6. Others	0.00%
		7. Road side plantation	0.00%
		8. Safety and traffic management during construction	0.00%
Start Point Junction Improvement	0.00%	(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%
		(2) Sub-Base course	0.00%
		(3) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(4) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%
		(5) Wearing Coat	0.00%
		(6) Widening and repair of culverts	0.00%

1.3 Procedure of estimating the value of work done

1.3.1 Road Works

Procedure for Estimating the value of road work done shall be as follows:

**Table
1.3.1**

Stage of Payment	Percentage - weightage	Payment Procedure
A-Widening and strengthening of existing road		If existing road length (excluding bypasses, re-alignment, structure) is say ' L ' km and the unencumbered length along the existing road as handed over on the appointed date is
(1) Site Clearance	0.00%	
(2) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	

(3) Sub-Base course	0.00%	'L1' km and the balance length i.e. 'L2' km (L - L1) is to be handed over on a later date as per the memorandum signed under provision of Clause 8.2.1 of the Contract Document, then the stage payment shall be worked out for the 'L1' km length handed over on the appointed date. The stage payment for the remaining 'L2' km length shall be worked out on prorata basis from the date of handing over of such length.
(4) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(5) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(6) Wearing Coat	0.00%	
(6) Widening and repair of culverts	0.00%	Cost of completed culverts shall be determined pro rata basis with respect to the total no. of culverts. The payment shall be made on the completion of at least five culverts.
B.1- Reconstruction/New 2-lane realignment/bypass (Flexible Pavement)		Unit of measurement is linear length of each bypass/re-alignment (excluding structures) and payment of each stage shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage in full length or 5 (five) km length of each bypass/re-alignment taken separately.
(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	
(2) Sub-Base Course	0.00%	
(3) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(4) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(5) Wearing Coat	0.00%	
B.2- Reconstruction/New 2-lane realignment/bypass (Rigid Pavement)		Unit of measurement is linear length of each bypass/re-alignment (excluding structures) and payment of each stage shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage in full length or 5 (five) km length of each bypass/re-alignment taken separately.
(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	
(2) Sub-Base Course	0.00%	
(3) Dry Lean Concrete (DLC) Course	0.00%	
(4) Pavement Quality Control (PQC) Course	0.00%	
C-1 Reconstruction/New service road (Flexible pavement)		Unit of measurement is linear length. Payment of each stage shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage in full length or 5(five) Km. length whichever is less.
(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	
(2) Sub-base Course	0.00%	

(3) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(4) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(5) Wearing Coat	0.00%	
C-2 Reconstruction/New service road (Rigid pavement)		Unit of measurement is linear length. Payment of each stage shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage in full length or 5(five) Km. length whichever is less.
(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	
(2) Sub-base Course	0.00%	
(3) Dry Lean Concrete (DLC) Course	0.00%	
(4) Pavement Quality Control (PQC) Course	0.00%	
D- Re-construction and New culverts on existing road, realignments, bypasses:		Cost of each culvert shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total number of culverts. Payment shall be made on the completion of at least five culverts.
Culverts (Length < 6 m)	0.00%	
@. For example, if the total length of bituminous work to be done is 100 km, the cost per km of bituminous work shall be determined as follows		
Cost per km= P x weightage for road work x weightage for bituminous work x (1/L)		
Where P= Contract Price		
L = Total length in km		
Similarly, the rates per km for other stages shall be worked out accordingly		
Note: The length affected due to law-and-order problems or litigation during execution due to which the Contractor is unable to execute the work, may be deducted from the total project length for payment purposes. The total length calculated here is only for payment purposes and will not affect and referred in other clauses of the Contract Agreement.		
1.3.2 Minor Bridges and Underpasses/Overpasses.		
Procedure for estimating the value of Minor bridge and Underpasses/Overpasses shall be as stated in table 1.3.2		
Table 1.3.2		
Stage of Payment	Weightage	Payment Procedure
1	2	3
A.1- Widening and repairs of Minor Bridges (Length > 6m and < 60 m)	0.00%	Cost of each minor bridge shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length of the minor bridges. Payment shall be made on the completion of widening & repair works of a minor bridge.
A.2- New Minor Bridges		

(i) Foundation + Sub-structure: On completion of the foundation work including foundations for wing and return walls, abutments, piers upto the abutment/pier cap.	0.00%	(i) Foundation+Sub-Structure: Cost of each minor bridge shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the minor bridges. Payment against foundation + sub-structure shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., not less than 25% of the scope of foundation+ sub- structure of each bridge subject to completion of atleast two foundations along with sub-structure upto abutment/pier cap level of each bridge. In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.
(ii) Super-structure: On completion of the super-structure in all respects including wearing coat, bearings, expansion joints, hand rails, crash barriers, road signs & markings, tests on completion etc. complete in all respect.	0.00%	(ii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e. completion of super• structure of atleast one span in all respects as specified in the column of "Stage of Payment" in this sub-clause.
(iii) Approaches: On completion of approaches including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works complete in all respect and fit for use.	0.00%	(iii) Approaches: Payment shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. completion of approaches in all respect as specified in the column of "Stage of Payment" in this sub-clause.
(iv) Guide Bunds and River Training Works: On completion of Guide Bunds and river training works complete in all respects	0.00%	(iv) Guide Bonds and River Training Works: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e. completion of Guide Bunds and River training Works in all respects as specified.
B.1- Widening and repair of underpasses/overpasses	0.00%	Cost of each underpass/overpass shall be determined on prorata basis with respect to the total linear length of the underpasses/overpasses. Payment shall be made on the completion of widening & repair works of a underpass/overpass.
B.2- New underpasses/overpasses		(i) Foundation +Sub-Structure: Cost of each Underpass/Overpass

(i) Foundation + Sub-structure: On completion of the foundation work including foundations for wing and return walls, abutments, piers upto the abutment/pier cap.	0.00%	shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the Underpasses/ Overpasses. Payment against foundation + sub- structure shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation+sub-structure of each Underpasses/Overpasses subject to completion of atleast two foundations along with sub-structure upto abutment/pier cap level each underpass/overpass. In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.	
(ii) Super-structure: On completion of the super-structure in all respects including wearing coat, bearings, expansion joints, hand rails, crash barriers, road signs & markings, tests on completion etc. complete in all respect.	0.00%	(ii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super-structure of atleast one span in all respects as specified in the column of "Stage of Payment" in this sub-clause.	
Wearing coat (a) in case of Overpass-wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all reaspects as specified and (b) in case of underpass- rigid pavement including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified.			
(iii) Approaches: On completion of approaches including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Walls, stone pitching, protection works complete in all respect and fit for use.	0.00%	(iii) Approaches: Payment shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of approaches in all respect as specified.	
1.3.3 Major Bridge Works, ROB/RUB and Structures.			
Procedure for estimating the value of Major Bridge Works, ROB/RUB and Structures shall be as stated in table 1.3.3			
Table 1.3.3			
Stage of Payment	Weightage	Payment Procedure	
1	2	3	

A.1- Widening and repairs of Major Bridges			
(i) Foundation	0.00%	(i) Foundation: Cost of each Major Bridge shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the Major Bridge. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the major Bridge subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the major Bridge. In case where load testing is required for foundation. the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.	
(ii) Sub-structure	0.00%	(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the major bridge subject to completion of atleast two sub-structures of abutments/piers upto abutment/pier cap level of the major bridge.	
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super-structure including bearings of atleast one span in all respects as specified.	
(iv) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	0.00%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified.	
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payments shall be made on completion of all miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified	
(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.	
(vii) Guide Bunds, River Training Works etc.	0.00%	(vii) Guide Bunds, River Training works: Payments shall be made on completion of all guide bunds/river	

		training works etc. complete in all respects as specified.
(viii) Approaches (including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works)	0.00%	(viii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.
A.2- New Major Bridges		
(i) Foundation	10%	<p>(i) Foundation: Cost of each Major Bridge shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the Major Bridge. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the major Bridge subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the major Bridge.</p> <p>In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.</p>
(ii) Sub-structure	10%	(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the major bridge subject to completion of atleast two sub-structures of abutments/piers upto abutment/pier cap level of the major bridge.
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	65%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super-structure including bearings of at least one span in all respects as specified.
(iv) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	5%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified.
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	5%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payments shall be made on completion of all miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified.

(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.
(vii) Guide Bunds, River Training Works etc.	0.00%	(vii) Guide Bunds, River Training works: Payments shall be made on completion of all guide bunds/river training works etc. complete in all respects as specified.
(viii) Approaches (including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works)	5%	(viii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.
B.1- Widening and repair of (a)ROB (b) RUB		
(i) Foundation	0.00%	(i) Foundation: Cost of each ROB/RUB shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the ROB/RUBs. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the ROB/RUB subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the ROB/RUB. In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.
(ii) Sub-structure	0.00%	(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the ROB/RUB subject to completion of atleast two sub-structures of abutments/piers upto abutment/pier cap level of the ROB/RUB.
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super-structure including bearings of atleast one span in all respects as specified.

(iv) Wearing Coat (a) in case of ROB- wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of RUB-rigid pavement under RUB including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified	0.00%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of (a) in case of ROB- wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of RUB-rigid pavement under RUB including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified.	
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payments shall be made on completion of all miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified.	
(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.	
(vii) Approaches (including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works	0.00%	(vii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.	
B.2- New ROB/RUB			
(a) ROB (b) RUB			
(i) Foundation	0.00%	<p>(i) Foundation: Cost of each ROB/RUB shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the ROB/RUBs. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the ROB/RUB subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the ROB/RUB.</p> <p>In case where toad testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.</p>	
(ii) Sub-structure	0.00%	<p>(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the ROB/RUB subject to completion of atleast two sub-structures of abutments/piers</p>	

		upto abutment/pier cap level of the ROB/RUB.
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e. completion of super-structure including bearings of atleast one span in all respects as specified.
(iv) Wearing Coat (a) in case of ROB- wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of RUB-rigid pavement under RUB including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified	0.00%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of (a) in case of ROB- wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified and (b) in case of RUB- rigid pavement under RUB including drainage facility complete in all respects as specified as specified.
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payments shall be made on completion of all miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified.
(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.
(vii) Approaches (including retaining walls, stone pitching, protection works	0.00%	(vii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.
C.1- Widening and repair of Elevated Sections/Flyover/Grade Separators		
(i) Foundation	0.00%	(i) Foundation: Cost of each structure shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the structures. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro-rata basis on completion of a stage i.e. not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the structure subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the structure. In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first

		payment shall include load testing also where specified.
(ii) Sub-structure	0.00%	(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the structure subject to completion of atleast two sub- structures of abutments/piers upto abutment/pier cap level of the structure.
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on pro rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super-structure including bearings of at least one span in all respects as specified.
(iv) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	0.00%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified.
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payments shall be made on completion of all miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified.
(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.
(vii) Approaches (including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Wall, stone pitching, protection works)	0.00%	(vii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.
C.2- New Elevated Sections/Flyover/Grade Separators		
(i) Foundation	0.00%	(i) Foundation: Cost of each structure shall be determined on pro rata basis with respect to the total linear length (m) of the structures. Payment against foundation shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., not less than 25% of the scope of foundation of the structure

		subject to completion of atleast two foundations of the
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		structure. In case where load testing is required for foundation, the trigger of first payment shall include load testing also where specified.
(ii) Sub-structure	0.00%	(ii) Sub-Structure: Payment against Sub-structure shall be made on pro- rata basis on completion of a stage i.e., not less than 25% of the scope of sub-structure of the structure subject to completion of atleast two sub- structures of abutments/piers upto abutment/pier cap level of the structure.
(iii) Super-Structure (Including Bearings)	0.00%	(iii) Super-structure: Payment shall be made on prorata basis on completion of a stage i.e., completion of super structure including beanngs of atleast one spanin all respects as specified.
(iv) Wearing Coat including expansion joints	0.00%	(iv) Wearing Coat: Payment shall be made on completion of wearing coat including expansion joints complete in all respects as specified.
(v) Miscellaneous Items like hand rails, Crash barriers, road markings etc.)	0.00%	(v) Miscellaneous: Payment shall be made on completion of miscellaneous works like hand rails, crash barriers, road markings etc. complete in all respects as specified.
(vi) Wing walls/return walls	0.00%	(vi) Wing walls/return walls: Payments shall be made on completion of all wing walls/return walls complete in all respects as specified.

(vii) Approaches (including retaining walls/Reinforced Earth Wall, stone pitching, protection works)	0.00%	(vii) Approaches: Payments shall be made on completion of both approaches including stone pitching, protection works, etc. complete in all respects as specified.
Note: (1) In case of innovate Major Bridge projects like cable suspension/cable stayed/ Extra Dozed and exceptionally long span bridges, the schedule may be modified as per site requirements before bidding with due approval of DG(RD) & SS, MoRT&H.		
(2) The Schedule for exclusive tunnel projects may be prepared as per site requirements before bidding with due approval of DG(RD) & SS, MoRT&H.		
1.3.4 Other Works & Utilities Shifting		
Procedure for estimating the value of Other Works shall be as stated in table 1.3.4		
Table 1.3.4		

Stage of Payment	Weightage	Payment Procedure
Protection Work		
Utility Shifting		
Shifting of Electrical Utilities and PHE	00.00%	Unit of measurement is as per completed activities. Cost per activity shall be determined on pro rata basis as per its weightage with reference to total Cost of LT/HT line & Pipe line. In Shifting of work is i. Erection of Poles -0.00% ii. Conductor stringing incl. laying of cables-00% In Shifting work is laying of pipe-00%.
Other Work		
Protection Work		
i) Retaining Wall	00.00%	Unit of measurement is linear length in km. Payment shall be made on pro rata basis on completion of a stage in a length of not less than 50 m length.
ii) Breast Wall	00.00%	
iii) Thrie Beam Crash Barrier	00.00%	
iv) Parapet Wall	00.00%	
v) Tubular steel Railing	00.00%	

(i) Toll Plaza	0.00%	Unit of measurement is each completed toll plaza. Payment of each toll plaza shall be made on pro rata basis with respect to the total of all toll plazas.
(ii) Road side drains and drains cum footpath	00.00%	Unit of measurement is linear length in km. Payment shall be made on pro rata basis on completion of a stage in a length of not less than 10 % (ten per cent) of the total length.
(iii) Road signs, markings, km stones, safety devices etc.	00.00%	
(v) Project facilities	0.00%	Payment shall be made on pro rata basis for completed facilities.
(a) Bus Bays	0.00%	
(b) Truck lay-byes	0.00%	
(c) Rest areas	0.00%	
(d) Site Clearance	0.00%	
(e) Boundary Pillars	0.00%	
(f) Junctions and connecting road with covered drain to Parking	0.00%	
(e) Others	0.00%	
(i) Road side plantation	0.00%	Unit of measurement is linear length.
(ii) Safety and traffic management during construction	0.00%	Payment shall be made on prorata basis every six months.
Stage of Payment	Weightage	Payment Procedure
Start Point Junction Improvement		Unit of measurement is linear length of each bypass/re-alignment (excluding structures) and payment of each stage shall be made on pro rata basis on completion of a stage in full length of each bypass/re-alignment taken separately.
(1) Earthwork up to top of the sub-grade	0.00%	
(2) Subgrade	0.00%	
(3) Sub-Base Course	0.00%	
(4) Non-Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(5) Bituminous Base Course	0.00%	
(6) Wearing Coat	0.00%	
2.1 The cost for maintenance shall be as stated in Clause 14.1.1.		
2.2 Payment for Maintenance shall be made in quarterly instalments in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.7		

a. Procedure for payment for Maintenance

- i. The cost for maintenance shall be as stated in Clause 14.1.1.
- ii. Payment for Maintenance shall be made in quarterly instalments in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.7

Note: As NHIDCL office order NHIDCL/HQ/ Contract/Schedule-H/2022-23 dated 09.01.2023.

1. The weightage for the stages of super structure for New Major Bridge, New ROB/RUB, New elevated Section/ New Elevated sections/Flyovers/Grade Separators for Superstructure i.e., A-2 New Bridge works mentioned as under.

- a. Casting of Girders :40%
- b. Erection of Girders: 60%

Schedule - I

(See Clause 10.2 (iv))

Drawings

1. Drawings

In compliance of the obligations set forth in Clause 10.2 of this Agreement, the Contractor shall furnish to the Authority's Engineer, free of cost, all Drawings listed in Annex-I of this Schedule-I.

2. Additional Drawings

If the Authority's Engineer determines that for discharging its duties and functions under this Agreement, it requires any drawings other than those listed in Annex-I, it may by notice require the Contractor to prepare and furnish such drawings forthwith. Upon receiving a requisition to this effect, the Contractor shall promptly prepare and furnish such drawings to the Authority's Engineer, as if such drawings formed part of Annex-I of this Schedule-I.

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List of Drawings

[**Note:** The Authority shall describe in this Annex-I, all the Drawings that the Contractor is required to furnish under Clause 10.2.]

Schedule - J

(See Clause 10.3 (ii))

Project Completion Schedule

1. Project Completion Schedule

During Construction period, the Contractor shall comply with the requirements set forth in this Schedule-J for each of the Project Milestones and the **Scheduled Completion Date**. Within 15 (fifteen) days of the date of each Project Milestone, the Contractor shall notify the Authority of such compliance along with necessary particulars thereof.

2. Project Milestone-I

- (i) Project Milestone-I shall occur on the date falling on the **320th day** from the Appointed Date (the **"Project Milestone- I"**).
- (ii) Prior to the occurrence of Project Milestone-I, the Contractor shall have commenced construction of the Project Highway and submitted to the Authority duly and validly prepared Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 10% (ten per cent) of the Contract Price.

3. Project Milestone-II

- (i) Project Milestone-II shall occur on the date falling on the **548th day** from the Appointed Date (the **"Project Milestone- II"**).
- (ii) Prior to the occurrence of Project Milestone-II, the Contractor shall have continued with construction of the Project Highway and submitted to the Authority duly and validly prepared Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 35% (thirty five per cent) of the Contract Price and should have started construction of all bridges

4. Project Milestone-III

- (i) Project Milestone-III shall occur on the date falling on the **730th day** from the Appointed Date (the **"Project Milestone- III"**).
- (ii) Prior to the occurrence of Project Milestone-III, the Contractor shall have continued with construction of the Project Highway and submitted to the Authority duly and validly prepared Stage Payment Statements for an amount not less than 70% (seventy per cent) of the Contract Price and should have started construction of all project facilities.

5. Scheduled Completion Date

- (i) The Scheduled Completion Date shall occur on the **913th** day from the AppointedDate.
- (ii) On or before the Scheduled Completion Date, the Contractor shall have completed construction in accordance with this Agreement.

6. Extension of time

Upon extension of any or all of the aforesaid Project Milestones or the Scheduled Completion Date, as the case may be, under and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Project Completion Schedule shall be deemed to have been amended accordingly.

Schedule - K

(See Clause 12.1 (ii))

Tests on Completion

1. Schedule for Tests

- (i) The Contractor shall, no later than 30 (thirty) days prior to the likely completion of construction, notify the Authority's Engineer and the Authority of its intent to subject the Project Highway to Tests, and no later than 10(ten) days prior to the actual date of Tests, furnish to the Authority's Engineer and the Authority detailed inventory and particulars of all works and equipment forming part of Works.
- (ii) The Contractor shall notify the Authority's Engineer of its readiness to subject the Project Highway to Tests at any time after 10 (ten) days from the date of such notice, and upon receipt of such notice, the Authority's Engineer shall, in consultation with the Contractor, determine the date and time for each Test and notify the same to the Authority who may designate its representative to witness the Tests. The Authority's Engineer shall thereupon conduct the Tests itself or cause any of the Tests to be conducted in accordance with Article 12 and this Schedule-K.

2. Tests

- (i) Visual and physical test: The Authority's Engineer shall conduct a visual and physical check of construction to determine that all works and equipment forming part thereof conform to the provisions of this Agreement. The physical tests shall include [***].
- (ii) Riding quality test: Riding quality of each lane of the carriageway shall be checked with the help of a Network Survey Vehicle (NSV) fitted with latest equipments and the maximum permissible roughness for purposes of this Test shall be [2,000 (two thousand)] mm for each kilometre.
- (iii) Tests for bridges: All major and minor bridges shall be subjected to the rebound hammer and ultrasonic pulse velocity tests, to be conducted in accordance with the procedure described in Special Report No. 17: 1996 of the IRC Highway Research Board on Nondestructive Testing Techniques, at two spots in every span, to be chosen at random by the Authority's Engineer. Bridges with a span of 15 (fifteen) metres or more shall also be subjected to load testing.
- (iv) Other tests: The Authority's Engineer may require the Contractor to carry out or cause to be carried additional tests, in accordance with Good Industry Practice, for determining the compliance of the Project Highway with Specifications and Standards, except tests as specified in clause 5, but shall include measuring the reflectivity of road markings and road signs; and measuring the illumination level (lux) of lighting using requisite testing equipment.

- (v) Environmental audit: The Authority's Engineer shall carry out a check to determine conformity of the Project Highway with the environmental requirements set forth in Applicable Laws and Applicable Permits.
- (vi) Safety Audit: The Authority's Engineer shall carry out, or cause to be carried out, a safety audit to determine conformity of the Project Highway with the safety requirements and Good Industry Practice.

3. **Agency for conducting Tests**

All Tests set forth in this Schedule-K shall be conducted by the Authority's Engineer or such other agency or person as it may specify in consultation with the Authority.

4. **Completion Certificate**

Upon successful completion of Tests, the Authority's Engineer shall issue the Completion Certificate in accordance with the provisions of Article 12.

- 5. The Authority Engineer will carry out tests with following equipment at his own cost in the presence of contractor's representative.

Sr. No.	Key metrics of Asset	Equipment to be used	Frequency of condition survey
1	Surface defects of pavement	Network Survey Vehicle (NSV)	At least twice a year (As per survey months defined for the state basis rainy season)
2	Roughness of pavement	Network Survey Vehicle (NSV)	At least twice a year (As per survey months defined for the state basis rainy season)
3	Strength of pavement	Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD)	At least once a year
4	Bridges	Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit (MBU)	At least twice a year (As per survey months defined for the state basis rainy season)
5	Road signs	Retro-reflectometer	At least twice a year (As per survey months defined for the state basis rainy season)

The first testing with the help of NSV shall be conducted at the time of issue of Completion Certificate.

Schedule - L

(See Clause 12.2)

Completion Certificate

- 1 I,.....(Name of the Authority's Engineer), acting as the Authority's Engineer, under and in accordance with the Agreement dated(the "**Agreement**"), for [construction of the ****section (km 28+092 to km 28+308) of National Highway No. 313] (the "**Major Bridge**") on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) basis through.....(Name of Contractor), hereby certify that the Tests in accordance with Article 12 of the Agreement have been successfully undertaken to determine compliance of the Project Highway with the provisions of the Agreement, and I am satisfied that the Project Highway can be safely and reliably placed in service of the Users thereof.
- 2 It is certified that, in terms of the aforesaid Agreement, all works forming part of Project Highway have been completed, and the Project Highway is hereby declared fit for entry into operation on this the day of20... , Scheduled Completed Date for which was the day of20.....

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of the Authority's Engineer by:

(Signature)

(Name)

(Designation) (Address)

Schedule - M

(See Clauses 14.6, 15.2 and 19.7)

Payment Reduction for Non-Compliance

1. Payment reduction for non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirements

- (i) Monthly lump sum payments for maintenance shall be reduced in the case of non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirements set forth in Schedule-E.
- (ii) Any deduction made on account of non-compliance with the Maintenance Requirements shall not be paid even after compliance subsequently. The deductions shall continue to be made every month until compliance is done.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall calculate the amount of payment reduction on the basis of weightage in percentage assigned to non-conforming items as given in Paragraph 2.

2. Percentage reductions in lump sum payments on monthly basis

- (i) The following percentages shall govern the payment reduction:

S. No.	Item/Defect/Deficiency	Percentage
(a)	Carriageway/Pavement	
(i)	Potholes, cracks, other surface defects	15%
(ii)	Repairs of Edges, Rutting	5%
(b)	Road, Embankment, Cuttings, Shoulders	
(i)	Edge drop, inadequate cross fall, undulations, settlement, potholes, ponding, obstructions	10%
(ii)	Deficient slopes, raincuts, disturbed pitching, vegetation growth, pruning of trees	5%
(c)	Bridges and Culverts	
(i)	Desilting, cleaning, vegetation growth, damaged pitching, flooring, parapets, wearing course, footpaths, any damage to foundations	20%
(ii)	Any Defects in superstructures, bearings and sub-structures	10%

S. No.	Item/Defect/Deficiency	Percentage
(iii)	Painting, repairs/replacement kerbs, railings, parapets, guideposts/crash barriers	5%
(d)	Roadside Drains	
(i)	Cleaning and repair of drains	5%
(e)	Road Furniture	
(i)	Cleaning, painting, replacement of road signs, delineators, road markings, 200 m/km/5 th km stones	5%
(f)	Miscellaneous Items	
(i)	Removal of dead animals, broken down/accident vehicles, fallen trees, road blockades or malfunctioning of mobile crane	10%
(ii)	Any other Defects in accordance with paragraph 1.	5%
(g)	Defects in Other Project Facilities	5%

- (ii) The amount to be deducted from monthly lump-sum payment for non-compliance of particular item shall be calculated as under:

$$R = \frac{P}{100} \times (M1 \text{ or } M2) \times \frac{L1}{L}$$

Where,

P= Percentage of particular item/Defect/deficiency for deduction

M1= Monthly lump-sum payment in accordance para 1.2 above of this Schedule

M2= Monthly lump-sum payment in accordance para 1.2 above of this Schedule

L1= non-complying length L = Total length of the road,

R= Reduction (the amount to be deducted for non-compliance for a particular item/Defect/deficiency)

The total amount of reduction shall be arrived at by summation of reductions for such items/Defects/deficiency or non-compliance.

For any Defect in a part of one kilometer, the non-conforming length shall be taken as one kilometer.

Schedule - N

(See Clause 18.1 (i))

Selection of Authority's Engineer

1. Selection of Authority's Engineer

- (i) The provisions of the Model Request for Proposal for Selection of Technical Consultants, issued by the Ministry of Finance in May 2009, or any substitute thereof shall apply for selection of an experienced firm to discharge the functions and duties of an Authority's Engineer.
- (ii) In the event of termination of the Technical Consultants appointed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1.1, the Authority shall appoint another firm of Technical Consultants forthwith and may engage a government-owned entity in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 3 of this Schedule-N.

2. Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference for the Authority's Engineer (the "**TOR**") shall substantially conform with Annex 1 to this Schedule N.

3. Appointment of Government entity as Authority's Engineer

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Schedule, the Authority may in its discretion appoint a government-owned entity as the Authority's Engineer; provided that such entity shall be a body corporate having as one of its primary functions the provision of consulting, advisory and supervisory services for engineering projects; provided further that a government-owned entity which is owned or controlled by the Authority shall not be eligible for appointment as Authority's Engineer.

Annex – I

(Schedule - N)

Terms of Reference for Authority's Engineer

1. Scope

- (i) These Terms of Reference (the “**TOR**”) for the Authority’s Engineer are being specified pursuant to the EPC Agreement dated (the “**Agreement**”), which has been entered into between the [**National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd., Third Floor, PTI Building, 4 Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001**] (the “**Authority**”) and (the “**Contractor**”) # for [**Two-Laning**] of the **Hunli-Anini section (km 28+092 to km 28+308) of National Highway No. 313 in the State of Arunachal Pradesh on Engineering, Procurement, Construction(EPC) basis**, and a copy of which is annexed hereto and marked as Annex-A to form part of this TOR.

- In case the bid of Authority’s Engineer is invited simultaneously with the bid of EPC project, then the status of bidding of EPC project only to be indicated

- (ii) The TOR shall apply to construction and maintenance of the Project Highway.

2. Definitions and interpretation

- (i) The words and expressions beginning with or in capital letters and not defined herein but defined in the Agreement shall have, unless repugnant to the context, the meaning respectively assigned to them in the Agreement.
- (ii) References to Articles, Clauses and Schedules in this TOR shall, except where the context otherwise requires, be deemed to be references to the Articles, Clauses and Schedules of the Agreement, and references to Paragraphs shall be deemed to be references to Paragraphs of this TOR.
- (iii) The rules of interpretation stated in Article 1 of the Agreement shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to this TOR.

3. General

- (i) The Authority’s Engineer shall discharge its duties in a fair, impartial and efficient manner, consistent with the highest standards of professional integrity and Good Industry Practice.
- (ii) The Authority’s Engineer shall perform the duties and exercise the authority in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, but subject to obtaining prior written approval of the Authority before determining:
- (a) any Time Extension;
- (b) any additional cost to be paid by the Authority to the Contractor;

- (c) the Termination Payment; or
 - (d) issuance of Completion Certificate or
 - (e) any other matter which is not specified in (a), (b), (c) or (d) above and which creates a financial liability on either Party.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall submit regular periodic reports, at least once every month, to the Authority in respect of its duties and functions under this Agreement. Such reports shall be submitted by the Authority's Engineer within 10 (ten) days of the beginning of every month.
- (iv) The Authority's Engineer shall inform the Contractor of any delegation of its duties and responsibilities to its suitably qualified and experienced personnel; provided, however, that it shall not delegate the authority to refer any matter for the Authority's prior approval in accordance with the provisions of Clause 18.2.
- (v) The Authority's Engineer shall aid and advise the Authority on any proposal for Change of Scope under Article 13.
- (vi) In the event of any disagreement between the Parties regarding the meaning, scope and nature of Good Industry Practice, as set forth in any provision of the Agreement, the Authority's Engineer shall specify such meaning, scope and nature by issuing a reasoned written statement relying on good industry practice and authentic literature.

4. Construction Period

- (i) During the Construction Period, the Authority's Engineer shall review and approve the Drawings furnished by the Contractor along with supporting data, including the geo-technical and hydrological investigations, characteristics of materials from borrow areas and quarry sites, topographical surveys, and the recommendations of the Safety Consultant in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.1 (vi). The Authority's Engineer shall complete such review and approval and send its observations to the Authority and the Contractor within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of such Drawings; provided, however that in case of a Major Bridge or Structure, the aforesaid period of 15 (fifteen) days may be extended upto 30 (thirty) days. In particular, such comments shall specify the conformity or otherwise of such Drawings with the Scope of the Project and Specifications and Standards.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall review and approve any revised Drawings sent to it by the Contractor and furnish its comments within 10 (ten) days of receiving such Drawings.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall review and approve the Quality Assurance Plan submitted by the Contractor and shall convey its comments to the Contractor within a period of 21 (twenty one) days stating the modifications, if any, required thereto.

- (iv) The Authority's Engineer shall complete the review and approve of the methodology proposed to be adopted by the Contractor for executing the Works, and convey its comments to the Contractor within a period of 10 (ten) days from the date of receipt of the proposed methodology from the Contractor.
- (v) The Authority's Engineer shall grant written approval to the Contractor, where necessary, for interruption and diversion of the flow of traffic in the existing lane(s) of the Project Highway for purposes of maintenance during the Construction Period in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.4.
- (vi) The Authority's Engineer shall review the monthly progress report furnished by the Contractor and send its comments thereon to the Authority and the Contractor within 7 (seven) days of receipt of such report.
- (vii) The Authority's Engineer shall inspect the Construction Works and the Project Highway and shall submit a monthly Inspection Report bringing out the results of inspections and the remedial action taken by the Contractor in respect of Defects or deficiencies. In particular, the Authority's Engineer shall include in its Inspection Report, the compliance of the recommendations made by the Safety Consultant.
- (viii) The Authority's Engineer shall conduct the pre-construction review of manufacturer's test reports and standard samples of manufactured Materials, and such other Materials as the Authority's Engineer may require.
- (ix) For determining that the Works conform to Specifications and Standards, the Authority's Engineer shall require the Contractor to carry out, or cause to be carried out, tests at such time and frequency and in such manner as specified in the Agreement and in accordance with Good Industry Practice for quality assurance. For purposes of this Paragraph 4 (ix), the tests specified in the IRC Special Publication-11 (Handbook of Quality Control for Construction of Roads and Runways) and the Specifications for Road and Bridge Works issued by MORTH (the "Quality Control Manuals") or any modification/substitution thereof shall be deemed to be tests conforming to Good Industry Practice for quality assurance.
- (x) The Authority's Engineer shall test check at least 50 (fifty) percent of the quantity or number of tests prescribed for each category or type of test for quality control by the Contractor.
- (xi) The timing of tests referred to in Paragraph 4 (ix), and the criteria for acceptance/rejection of their results shall be determined by the Authority's Engineer in accordance with the Quality Control Manuals. The tests shall be undertaken on a random sample basis and shall be in addition to, and independent of, the tests that may be carried out by the Contractor for its own quality assurance in accordance with Good Industry Practice.
- (xii) In the event that results of any tests conducted under Clause 11.10 establish any Defects or deficiencies in the Works, the Authority's Engineer shall require the Contractor to carry out remedial measures.

- (xiii) The Authority's Engineer may instruct the Contractor to execute any work which is urgently required for the safety of the Project Highway, whether because of an accident, unforeseeable event or otherwise; provided that in case of any work required on account of a Force Majeure Event, the provisions of Clause 21.6 shall apply.
- (xiv) In the event that the Contractor fails to achieve any of the Project Milestones, the Authority's Engineer shall undertake a review of the progress of construction and identify potential delays, if any. If the Authority's Engineer shall determine that completion of the Project Highway is not feasible within the time specified in the Agreement, it shall require the Contractor to indicate within 15 (fifteen) days the steps proposed to be taken to expedite progress, and the period within which the Project Completion Date shall be achieved. Upon receipt of a report from the Contractor, the Authority's Engineer shall review the same and send its comments to the Authority and the Contractor forthwith.
- (xv) The Authority's Engineer shall obtain from the Contractor a copy of all the Contractor's quality control records and documents before the Completion Certificate is issued pursuant to Clause 12.2.
- (xvi) Authority's Engineer may recommend to the Authority suspension of the whole or part of the Works if the work threatens the safety of the Users and pedestrians. After the Contractor has carried out remedial measure, the Authority's Engineer shall inspect such remedial measures forthwith and make a report to the Authority recommending whether or not the suspension hereunder may be revoked.
- (xvii) In the event that the Contractor carries out any remedial measures to secure the safety of suspended works and Users, and requires the Authority's Engineer to inspect such works, the Authority's Engineer shall inspect the suspended works within 3 (three) days of receiving such notice, and make a report to the Authority forthwith, recommending whether or not such suspension may be revoked by the Authority.
- (xviii) The Authority's Engineer shall carry out, or cause to be carried out, all the Tests specified in Schedule-K and issue a Completion Certificate, as the case may be. For carrying out its functions under this Paragraph 4 (xviii) and all matters incidental thereto, the Authority's Engineer shall act under and in accordance with the provisions of Article 12 and Schedule-K.

5. Maintenance Period

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall aid and advise the Contractor in the preparation of its monthly Maintenance Programme and for this purpose carry out a joint monthly inspection with the Contractor.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall undertake regular inspections, at least once every month, to evaluate compliance with the Maintenance Requirements and submit a Maintenance Inspection Report to the Authority and the Contractor.

- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall specify the tests, if any, that the Contractor shall carry out, or cause to be carried out, for the purpose of determining that the Project Highway is in conformity with the Maintenance Requirements. It shall monitor and review the results of such tests and the remedial measures, if any, taken by the Contractor in this behalf.
- (iv) In respect of any defect or deficiency referred to in Paragraph 3 of Schedule- E, the Authority's Engineer shall, in conformity with Good Industry Practice, specify the permissible limit of deviation or deterioration with reference to the Specifications and Standards and shall also specify the time limit for repair or rectification of any deviation or deterioration beyond the permissible limit.
- (v) The Authority's Engineer shall examine the request of the Contractor for closure of any lane(s) of the Project Highway for undertaking maintenance/repair thereof, and shall grant permission with such modifications, as it may deem necessary, within 5 (five) days of receiving a request from the Contractor. Upon expiry of the permitted period of closure, the Authority's Engineer shall monitor the reopening of such lane(s), and in case of delay, determine the Damages payable by the Contractor to the Authority under Clause 14.5.

6. Determination of costs and time

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall determine the costs, and/or their reasonableness, that are required to be determined by it under the Agreement.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall determine the period of Time Extension that is required to be determined by it under the Agreement.
- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall consult each Party in every case of determination in accordance with the provisions of Clause 18.5.

7. Payments

- (i) The Authority's Engineer shall withhold payments for the affected works for which the Contractor fails to revise and resubmit the Drawings to the Authority's Engineer in accordance with the provisions of Clause 10.2 (iv) (d).
- (ii) Authority's Engineer shall -
 - (a) within 10 (ten) days of receipt of the Stage Payment Statement from the Contractor pursuant to Clause 19.4, determine the amount due to the Contractor and recommend the release of 90 (ninety) percent of the amount so determined as part payment, pending issue of the Interim Payment Certificate; and
 - (b) within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of the Stage Payment Statement referred to in Clause 19.4, deliver to the Authority and the Contractor an Interim Payment Certificate certifying the amount due and payable to the

Contractor, after adjustments in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.10.

- (iii) The Authority's Engineer shall, within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the Monthly Maintenance Statement from the Contractor pursuant to Clause 19.6, verify the Contractor's monthly statement and certify the amount to be paid to the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.
- (iv) The Authority's Engineer shall certify final payment within 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of the final payment statement of Maintenance in accordance with the provisions of Clause 19.16.

8. Other duties and functions

The Authority's Engineer shall perform all other duties and functions as specified in the Agreement.

9. Miscellaneous

- (i) A copy of all communications, comments, instructions, Drawings or Documents sent by the Authority's Engineer to the Contractor pursuant to this TOR, and a copy of all the test results with comments of the Authority's Engineer thereon, shall be furnished by the Authority's Engineer to the Authority forthwith.
- (ii) The Authority's Engineer shall retain at least one copy each of all Drawings and Documents received by it, including 'as-built' Drawings, and keep them in its safe custody.
- (iii) Within 90 (ninety) days of the Project Completion Date, the Authority's Engineer shall obtain a complete set of as-built Drawings, in 2 (two) hard copies and in micro film form or in such other medium as may be acceptable to the Authority, reflecting the Project Highway as actually designed, engineered and constructed, including an as-built survey illustrating the layout of the Project Highway and setback lines, if any, of the buildings and structures forming part of Project Facilities; and shall hand them over to the Authority against receipt thereof.
- (iv) The Authority's Engineer, if called upon by the Authority or the Contractor or both, shall mediate and assist the Parties in arriving at an amicable settlement of any Dispute between the Parties.
- (v) The Authority's Engineer shall inform the Authority and the Contractor of any event of Contractor's Default within one week of its occurrence.

Schedule - O

(See Clauses 19.4 (i), 19.6 (i), and 19.8 (i))

Forms of Payment Statements

1. Stage Payment Statement for Works

The Stage Payment Statement for Works shall state:

- (a) the estimated amount for the Works executed in accordance with Clause 19.3 (i) subsequent to the last claim;
- (b) amounts reflecting adjustments in price for the aforesaid claim;
- (c) the estimated amount of each Change of Scope Order executed subsequent to the last claim;
- (d) amounts reflecting adjustment in price, if any, for (c) above in accordance with the provisions of Clause 13.2 (iii) (a);
- (e) total of (a), (b), (c) and (d) above;
- (f) Deductions:
 - i. Any amount to be deducted in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement except taxes;
 - ii. Any amount towards deduction of taxes; and
 - iii. Total of (i) and (ii) above.
- (g) Net claim: (e) – (f) (iii);
- (h) The amounts received by the Contractor upto the last claim:
 - i. For the Works executed (excluding Change of Scope orders);
 - ii. For Change of Scope Orders, and
 - iii. Taxes deducted

2. Monthly Maintenance Payment Statement

The monthly Statement for Maintenance Payment shall state:

- (a) the monthly payment admissible in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement;
- (b) the deductions for maintenance work not done;
- (c) net payment for maintenance due, (a) minus (b);
- (d) amounts reflecting adjustments in price under Clause 19.12; and
- (e) amount towards deduction of taxes

3. Contractor's claim for Damages

Schedule - P

(See Clause 20.1)

Insurance

1. Insurance during Construction Period

- (i) The Contractor shall effect and maintain at its own cost, from the Appointed Date till the date of issue of the Completion Certificate, the following insurances for any loss or damage occurring on account of Non Political Event of Force Majeure, malicious act, accidental damage, explosion, fire and terrorism:
 - (a) insurance of Works, Plant and Materials and an additional sum of [15 (fifteen)] per cent of such replacement cost to cover any additional costs of and incidental to the rectification of loss or damage including professional fees and the cost of demolishing and removing any part of the Works and of removing debris of whatsoever nature; and
 - (b) insurance for the Contractor's equipment and Documents brought onto the Site by the Contractor, for a sum sufficient to provide for their replacement at the Site.
- (ii) The insurance under sub para (a) and (b) of paragraph 1(i) above shall cover the Authority and the Contractor against all loss or damage from any cause arising under paragraph 1.1 other than risks which are not insurable at commercial terms.

2. Insurance for Contractor's Defects Liability

The Contractor shall effect and maintain insurance cover of not less than 15% of the Contract Price for the Works from the date of issue of the Completion Certificate until the end of the Defects Liability Period for any loss or damage for which the Contractor is liable and which arises from a cause occurring prior to the issue of the Completion Certificate. The Contractor shall also maintain other insurances for maximum sums as may be required under the Applicable Laws and in accordance with Good Industry Practice.

3. Insurance against injury to persons and damage to property

- (i) The Contractor shall insure against its liability for any loss, damage, death or bodily injury, or damage to any property (except things insured under Paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Schedule or to any person (except persons insured under Clause 20.9), which may arise out of the Contractor's performance of this Agreement. This insurance shall be for a limit per occurrence of not less than the amount stated below with no limit on the number of occurrences.

The insurance cover shall be not less than: Rs. [*****]

- (ii) The insurance shall be extended to cover liability for all loss and damage to the Authority's property arising out of the Contractor's performance of this Agreement excluding:
 - (a) the Authority's right to have the construction works executed on, over, under, in or through any land, and to occupy this land for the Works; and
 - (b) damage which is an unavoidable result of the Contractor's obligations to execute the Works.

4. Insurance to be in joint names

The insurance under paragraphs 1 to 3 above shall be in the joint names of the Contractor and the Authority.

Schedule-Q

(See Clause 14.10)

Tests on Completion of Maintenance Period

1. Riding Quality test:

Riding quality test: Riding quality of each lane of the carriageway shall be checked with the help of a calibrated bump integrator and the maximum permissible roughness for purposes of this Test shall be [2,200 (two thousand and two hundred only)] mm for each kilometre.

2. Visual and physical test:

The Authority's Engineer shall conduct a visual and physical check of construction to determine that all works and equipment forming part thereof conform to the provisions of this Agreement. The physical tests shall include measurement of cracking, rutting, stripping and potholes and shall be as per the requirement of maintenance mentioned in Schedule-E.

Schedule-R

(See Clause 14.10)

Taking Over Certificate

I, (Name and designation of the Authority's Representative) under and in accordance with the Agreement dated (the "Agreement"), for [**construction of the Major Bridge section (km 28+092 to km 28+308) of Hunli Anini Road (NH- 313) (the "Project Highway") on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) basis**] through (Name of Contractor), hereby certify that the Tests on completion of Maintenance Period in accordance with Article 14 of the Agreement have been successfully undertaken to determine compliance of the Project Highway with the provisions of the Agreement and I hereby certify that the Authority has taken over the Project highway from the Contractor on this day.....

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

(Signature)

(Name and designation of Authority's Representative)

(Address)

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राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग एवं अवसंरचना विकास निगम लिमिटेड
National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS,
GOVT. OF INDIA

Notice Inviting Bid
(Online e-tender through Central Public Procurement Portal)

Bid/ Package No: NHIDCL/Ar.Pr./H-A/Pkg-I/MJB/28+200/2024/367 Dated: 14.03.2024

RFP for the work of **Construction of Major Bridge design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli-Anini Road in the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC mode under SARDP-NE.**

The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways through National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) is engaged in the development of National Highways and as part of this endeavor, it has been decided to undertake **“Construction of Major Bridge design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli- Anini Road in the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC mode under SARDP-NE.**

The National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited represented by its Managing Director now invites International Competitive Bids from eligible contractors for the following project:

State/UT	NH No.	Description of the work	Estimated Cost exclusive of GST (Rs. In Crore)	Bid Cost	Completion period + DLP
Arunachal Pradesh	313	Construction of Major Bridge design Ch. 28+200 of Hunli- Anini Road in the state of Arunachal Pradesh on EPC mode under SARDP-NE	30.00	3.00	30 months + 60 Months

The complete BID document can be viewed / downloaded from official portal of the CPPP website [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) from 14/03/2024 to 30/04/2024 (upto 1500 hrs IST). Bidder must submit its financial bid and Technical Bid at [https:// eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app](https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) on or before 30/04/2024 (up to 1500 hrs IST). Bids received online shall be opened on 01/05/2024 (at 1630 hrs IST).

Accepted
14.03.2024

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Bid through any other mode shall not be entertained. However, Bid Security, Document fee, Power of Attorney and Joint Bidding Agreement etc. shall be submitted physically by the Bidder on or before the date mentioned in data sheet, please note that the NHIDCL reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the BIDs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Handwritten signature and date: 14.03.2024

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As part of the Standard Operating Procedure for adoption of Integrity Pact, an Independent External Monitor (IEM) has been appointed in NHIDCL, as per approval of the Central Vigilance Commission and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Govt. of India. The contact detail of IEM can be seen on the website of NHIDCL.

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