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BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS
LIMITED



OFFER FORWARDING LETTER / TENDER SUBMISSION LETTER
(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

Offer Reference No:.....

Date:.....

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : Submission of Offer against Tender Specification No:

I/We hereby offer to carry out the work detailed in the Tender Specification issued by Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Power Sector-....., in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof.

I/We have carefully perused the following listed documents connected with the above work and agree to abide by the same.

1. Amendments/Clarifications/Corrigenda/Errata/etc issued in respect of the Tender documents by BHEL
2. Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)
3. Price Bid
4. Technical Conditions of Contract
5. Special Conditions of Contract
6. General Conditions of Contract
7. Forms and Procedures

Should our Offer be accepted by BHEL for Award, I/we further agree to furnish 'Security Deposit' for the work as provided for in the Tender Conditions within the stipulated time as may be indicated by BHEL.

I/We further agree to execute all the works referred to in the said Tender documents upon the terms and conditions contained or referred to therein and as detailed in the appendices annexed thereto.

I/We have deposited/depositing herewith the requisite Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) as per details furnished in the Check List.

Authorised Representative of Bidder

Signature :

Name :

Address :

Place:

Date:

DECLARATION BY AUTHORISED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : **Declaration by Authorised Signatory**

Ref : 1) NIT/Tender Specification No:
2) All other pertinent issues till date

I/We, hereby certify that all the information and data furnished by me with regard to the above Tender Specification are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have gone through the specifications, conditions, stipulations and all other pertinent issues till date, and agree to comply with the requirements and Intent of the specification.

I further certify that I am authorised to represent on behalf of my Company/Firm for the above mentioned tender and a valid Power of Attorney to this effect is also enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, Date & Seal of Authorized
Signatory of the Bidder)

Date:

Enclosed : Power of Attorney

DECLARATION BY AUTHORISED SIGNATORY OF BIDDER

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : **Declaration by Authorised Signatory regarding Authenticity of submitted documents.**

Ref : 1) NIT/Tender Specification No:
2) All other pertinent issues till date

I/We, hereby certify that all the documents submitted by us in support of possession of “Qualifying Requirements” are true copies of the original and are fully compliant required for qualifying / applying in the bid and shall produce the original of same as and when required by Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited.

I / We hereby further confirm that no tampering is done with documents submitted in support of our qualification as bidder. I / We understand that at any stage (during bidding process or while executing the awarded works) if it is found that fake / false / forged bid qualifying / supporting documents / certificates were submitted, it would lead to summarily rejection of our bid / termination of contract. BHEL shall be at liberty to initiate other appropriate actions as per the terms of the Bid / Contract and other extant policies of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, Date & Seal of Authorized
Signatory of the Bidder)

Date:

NO DEVIATION CERTIFICATE

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : **No Deviation Certificate**

Ref : 1) NIT/Tender Specification No:
2) All other pertinent issues till date

We hereby confirm that we have not changed/ modified/materially altered any of the tender documents as downloaded from the website/ issued by BHEL and in case of such observance at any stage, it shall be treated as null and void.

We also hereby confirm that we have neither set any Terms and Conditions and nor have we taken any deviation from the Tender conditions together with other references applicable for the above referred NIT/Tender Specification.

We further confirm our unqualified acceptance to all Terms and Conditions, unqualified compliance to Tender Conditions, Integrity Pact (if applicable) and acceptance to Reverse Auctioning process.

We confirm to have submitted offer in accordance with tender instructions and as per aforesaid references.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, date & seal of authorized
representative of the bidder)

DECLARATION FOR RELATION IN BHEL

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder failing which the offer of Bidder is liable to be summarily rejected)

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : **Declaration for relation in BHEL**

Ref : 1) NIT/Tender Specification No:,

I/We hereby submit the following information pertaining to relation/relatives of Proprieter/Partner(s)/Director(s) employed in BHEL

Tick(✓) any one as applicable:

1. The Proprieter, Partner(s), Director(s) of our Company/Firm DO NOT have any relation or relatives employed in BHEL

OR

2. The Proprieter, Partner(s), or Director(s) of our Company/Firm HAVE relation/relatives employed in BHEL and their particulars are as below:

(i)

(ii)

Signature of the Authorised Signatory

Note:

1. Attach separate sheet, if necessary.
2. If BHEL Management comes to know at a later date that the information furnished by the Bidder is false, BHEL reserves the right to take suitable against the Bidder/Contractor.

NON DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

NON DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

I/We understand that BHEL PS __ is committed to Information Security Management System as per their Information Security Policy.

Hence, I/We M/s.....
who are submitting offer for providing services to BHEL PS __ against
Tender Specification No:_____,
hereby undertake to comply with the following in line with Information
Security Policy of BHEL PS __, _____

- To maintain confidentiality of documents & information which shall be used during the execution of the Contract.
- The documents & information shall not be revealed to or shared with third party which shall not be in the business interest of BHEL PS__.

(Signature, date & seal of Authorized
Signatory of the bidder)

Date:

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS FOR E-PAYMENT

(To be given on Letter head of the Company /Firm of Bidder, and **ENDORSED (SIGNED & STAMPED) BY THE BANK** to enable BHEL release payments through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT/RTGS))

1. Beneficiary Name :
2. Beneficiary Account No. :
3. Bank Name & Branch :
4. City/Place :
5. 9 digit M ICR Code of Bank Branch :
6. IFSC Code of Bank Branch :
7. Beneficiary E-mail ID :
(for payment confirmation)

NOTE: In case Bank endorsed certificate regarding above has already been submitted earlier, Kindly submit photocopy of the same

FORMAT FOR SEEKING CLARIFICATION

(To be typed and submitted in the Letter Head of the Company/Firm of Bidder)

To,

(Write Name & Address of Officer of BHEL inviting the Tender)

Dear Sir,

Sub : **Request for Clarification**Ref : 1) NIT/Tender Specification No:
2) All other pertinent issues till date

Sl no	Reference clause of Tender Document	Existing provision	Bidder's query	BHEL's clarification
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Yours faithfully,

(Signature, date & seal of Authorized
Representative of the Bidder)

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Form No: F-10 (Rev 00)

BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED

(A Government of India Undertaking)

Power Sector – Region

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CONTRACT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT NO. _____

NAME OF WORK	
NAME OF THE CONTRACTOR WITH FULL ADDRESS	
VALUE OF WORK AWARDED	
LETTER OF AWARD NO.	
TIME ALLOTTED FOR COMPLETING THE WORK (DATE OF COMPLETION)	

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR

(SIGNATURE OF BHEL OFFICER)

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT MADE THIS _____ DAY OF _____ between BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED (A Government of India Enterprise) a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its Registered Office at BHEL House, Siri Fort New Delhi-110049 (herein after called BHEL) of the ONE PART.

AND

M/S _____
_____ (hereinafter called the 'Contractor') of the
SECOND PART.

WHEREAS M/s -----state that they
have acquired and possess extensive experience in the field of -----

And Whereas in response to an Invitation to Tender No. ----- issued by BHEL for
execution of ----- the contractor submitted their offer
No.-----dated -----And whereas BHEL has accepted the
offer of the Contractor on terms and conditions specified in the Letter of Award No.-----
-----dated -----read with the references cited therein.

THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES AND it is hereby agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. That the contractor shall execute the work of -----and more particularly described in Tender Specification No -----including Drawings and Specifications (hereinafter called the said works) in accordance with and subject to terms and conditions contained in these presents, instructions to Tenderers, General Conditions of Contract, Special Conditions, Annexures, Letter of Award dated ----- and such other instructions, Drawings, Specifications given to him from time to time by BHEL.
2. The Contractor is required to furnish to BHEL Security deposit in the form of cash/ approved securities/ Bank Guarantee valid upto ----- for a sum of Rs.----- towards satisfactory performance and completion of the Contract.
3. The Contractor has furnished a Bank Guarantee bearing no.-----dated ----- for a sum of Rs.-----executed by ----- in favour of BHEL towards Security Deposit valid upto -----

OR

The Contractor has furnished to BHEL an initial Security Deposit of Rs.-----in the form of cash / approved Securities/ B.G No.----- dated ----- for Rs.-----executed by ----- in favour of BHEL valid upto ----- and has agreed for recovery of the balance security deposit by BHEL @ 10% of the value of work done from each running bill till the entire Security Deposit is recovered.

OR

The contractor has furnished to BHEL an initial Security Deposit of Rs.-----(Rs.----- vide Bank draft No.-----dated -----and by adjusting EMD of Rs.----- submitted vide Bank draft No.----- dt.-----) and has agreed for recovery of balance Security Deposit by BHEL @ 10% of the value of work done from each running bill till the entire security deposit is recovered.

4. The Contractor hereby agrees to extend the validity of the Bank Guarantee for such further period or periods as may be required by BHEL and if the Contractor fails to obtain such extension(s) from the Bank, the Contractor, shall pay forthwith or accept recovery of Rs.----- from the bills in one installment and the contractor further agrees that failure to extend the validity of the Bank Guarantee or failure to pay the aforesaid amount in the manner specified above shall constitute breach of contract. In addition to above, BHEL shall be entitled to take such action as deemed fit and proper for recovering the said sum of Rs.-----

OR

In case the contractor furnishes the bank guarantee at a later date the contractor hereby agrees to extend the validity of bank guarantee for such further period or periods as may be required by BHEL and if the contractor fails to obtain such extension(s) from the bank, the contractor shall pay forthwith or accept recovery of the amount of bank guarantee given in lieu of security deposit from the bills in one installment and the contractor further agrees that failure to extend the validity of bank guarantee or failure to pay the aforesaid amount in the manner specified above shall constitute breach of contract. In addition to above, BHEL shall be entitled to take such action as deemed fit and proper for recovering the said sum.

5. That in consideration of the payments to be made to the Contractor by BHEL in accordance with this Agreement the Contractor hereby covenants and undertakes with BHEL that they shall execute, construct, complete the works in conformity, in all respects, with the terms and conditions specified in this Agreement and the documents governing the same.
6. That the Contractor shall be deemed to have carefully examined this Agreement and the documents governing the same and also to have satisfied himself as to the nature and character of the Works to be executed by him.
7. That the Contractor shall carry out and complete the execution of the said works to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer or such other officer authorised by BHEL, within the agreed time schedule.
8. That BHEL shall, after proper scrutiny of the bills submitted by the Contractor; pay to him during the progress of the said works such sum as determined by BHEL in accordance with this Agreement.
9. That this Agreement shall be deemed to have come into force from ----- the date on which the letter of Award has been issued to the Contractor.
10. That whenever under this contract or otherwise, any sum of money shall be recoverable from or payable by the Contractor, the same may be deducted in the manner as set out in the General Conditions of Contract or other conditions governing this Agreement.
11. That all charges on account of Octroi, Terminal and other taxes including sales tax or other duties on material obtained for execution of the said works shall be borne and paid by the Contractor.
12. That BHEL shall be entitled to deduct from the Contractor's running bills or otherwise Income Tax as per prevailing Income Tax Act.
13. That BHEL shall be further entitled to recover from the running bills of the Contractor or otherwise such sum as may be determined by BHEL from time to time in respect of

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consumables supplied by BHEL, hire charges for tools and plants issued (Where applicable) and any other dues owed by the Contractor.

14. That it is hereby agreed by and between the parties that non-exercise, forbearance or omission of any of the powers conferred on BHEL and /or any of its authorities will not in any manner constitute waiver of the conditions hereto contained in these presents and the liability of the Contractor with respect to compensation payable to BHEL or Contractor's obligations shall remain unaffected.
15. It is clearly understood by and between the parties that in the event of any conflict between the Letter of Award and other documents governing this Agreement, the provisions in the Letter of Award shall prevail.

16. The following documents

1. Invitation to Tender No-----
and the documents specified therein.
2. Contractor's Offer No-----
dated-----.
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. Letter of Award No. _____ dated _____.
7. _____

shall also form part of and govern this Agreement.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties hereto have respectively set their signatures in the presence of

WITNESS

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2.

WITNESS

1.

2.

(CONTRACTOR)
(to be signed by a person holding
a valid Power of Attorney)

(For and on behalf of BHEL)

PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE (in lieu of SECURITY DEPOSIT)

In consideration of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (hereinafter referred to as the 'Employer' which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors and permitted assigns) incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 and having its registered office at BHEL House, Siri Fort, Asiad, New Delhi – 110049 through its Unit at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Power Sector Northern Region, HRDI & PSNR Complex, Plot no. 25, Sector – 16 A, Noida - 201301 having agreed to exempt (Name of the Vendor / Contractor / Supplier) with its registered office at _____¹ (hereinafter called the said "Contractor" which term includes supplier), from demand under the terms and conditions of the Contract reference No. _____ dated _____² valued at Rs.³ (Rupees -----)³ (hereinafter called the said Contract), of Security Deposit for the due fulfilment by the said Contractor of the terms and conditions contained in the said Contract, on production of a Bank Guarantee for Rs. _____⁴ (Rupees _____ only),

We _____ (indicate the name and address of the Bank) having its Head Office at _____ (address of the head Office) (hereinafter referred to as the Bank), at the request of _____ [Contractor(s)], being the Guarantor under this Guarantee, do hereby irrevocably and unconditionally undertake to forthwith and immediately pay to the Employer, an amount not exceeding Rs. _____ without any demur, immediately on demand from the Employer and without any reservation, protest, and recourse and without the Employer needing to prove or demonstrate reasons for its such demand.

Any such demand made on the bank, shall be conclusive as regards the 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. _____.

We undertake to pay to the Employer any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the Contractor(s) in any suit or proceeding pending before any Court or Tribunal or Arbitrator or any other authority, our liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal.

The payment so made by us under this guarantee shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment hereunder and the Contractor(s) shall have no claim against us for making such payment.

We, further agree that the guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that would be taken for the performance of the said Contract and that it shall continue to be enforceable till all the dues of the Employer under or by virtue of the said Contract have been fully paid and its claims satisfied & the Employer certifies that the terms and conditions of the said Contract have been fully and properly carried out by the said contractor(s) or acceptance of the final bill or discharge of this guarantee by the Employer, whichever is earlier. This guarantee shall initially remain in force upto and including _____⁵ and shall be extended from time to time for such period as may be desired by the Employer. Unless a demand or claim under this guarantee is made on us in writing on or before the _____⁶, we shall be discharged from all the liability under this guarantee thereafter.

We, _____ (indicate the name of the Bank) _____ further agree with the Employer that the Employer shall have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting in any manner our obligations hereunder to vary any of the terms and conditions of the said Contract or to extend time of performance by the said contractor(s) from time to time or to postpone for any time or

PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE (in lieu of SECURITY DEPOSIT)

from time to time any of the powers exercisable by the Employer against the said contractor(s) and to forbear or enforce any of the terms and conditions relating to the said Contract and we shall not be relieved from our liability by any reason of any such variation or extension being granted to the said contractor(s) or for any forbearance, act or omission on the part of the Employer or any indulgence by the Employer to the said contractor(s) or by any such matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would but for this provision have effect of so relieving us.

The Bank also agrees that the Employer at its option shall be entitled to enforce this Guarantee against the Bank as a principal debtor, in the first instance without proceeding against the Contractor and notwithstanding any security or other guarantee that the Employer may have in relation to the Contractor's liabilities.

This Guarantee shall not be determined or affected by liquidation or winding up, dissolution or change of constitution or insolvency of the Contractor but shall in all respects and for all purposes be binding and operative until payment of all money payable to the Employer in terms thereof. This guarantee will not be discharged due to the change in the constitution of the Bank or the Contractor(s).

We,..... Bank lastly undertake not to revoke this guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the Employer in writing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained hereinabove:

- a) The liability of the Bank under this Guarantee shall not exceed..... ⁴
- b) This Guarantee shall be valid up to⁵
- c) Unless the Bank is served a written claim or demand on or before⁶ all rights under this guarantee shall be forfeited and the Bank shall be relieved and discharged from all liabilities under this guarantee irrespective of whether or not the original bank guarantee is returned to the Bank.

We, _____ Bank, have power to issue this Guarantee under law and the undersigned as a duly authorized person has full powers to sign this Guarantee on behalf of the Bank.

Date _____ Day of _____
for _____ (indicate the name of the Bank) _____

(Signature of Authorised signatory)

- ¹ ADDRESS OF THE VENDOR/ CONTRACTOR/ SUPPLIER.
- ² DETAILS ABOUT THE NOTICE OF AWARD/ CONTRACT REFERENCE
- ³ CONTRACT VALUE
- ⁴ BG AMOUNT IN FIGURES AND WORDS
- ⁵ VALIDITY DATE
- ⁶ DATE OF EXPIRY OF CLAIM PERIOD

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Note:

1. Bidders are advised that expiry of claim period may be kept 3-6 months after validity date..
2. The BG should be on Non-Judicial Stamp paper/ e-stamp paper of appropriate value as per Stamp Act prevailing in the State(s) where the BG is submitted or is to be acted upon or the rate prevailing in the State where the BG was executed, whichever is higher. The Stamp Paper/ e-stamp paper shall be purchased in the name of Vendor/ Contractor/ Supplier/ Bank issuing the guarantee.

3. In Case of Bank Guarantees submitted by Foreign Vendors.

a. From Nationalized/ Public Sector/ Private Sector/ Foreign Banks (BG issued by Branches in India) can be accepted subject to the condition that the Bank Guarantee should be enforceable in the town/ city or at nearest branch where the Unit is located i.e. Demand can be presented at the Branch located in the town/city or at nearest branch where the Unit is located.

b. From Foreign Banks (wherein Foreign Vendors intend to provide BG from local branch of the Vendor country's Bank)

b.1 In such cases, Bank Guarantee issued by **any of the Consortium Banks only** will be accepted by BHEL. As such, Foreign Vendor needs to make necessary arrangements for issuance of Counter- Guarantee by Foreign Bank in favour of the Indian Bank's (BHEL's Consortium Bank) branch in India. All charges for issuance of Bank Guarantee/ counter-Guarantee should be borne by the Foreign Vendor.

b.2 In case, Foreign Vendors intend to provide BG from Overseas Branch of our Consortium Bank (e.g. if a BG is to be issued by SBI Frankfurt), the same is acceptable. However, the procedure at **sl.no. b.1** will required to be followed.

b.3 The BG issued may preferably be subject to Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 758 (as amended from time to time).

CONTRACT COMPLETION CERTIFICATE
(Issued by BHEL/HQ on the specific request of Contractor)

Ref :

Date:

To Whom so ever it may concern

1	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	
2	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CONTRACTOR	
3	CONTRACT NO	
4	CONTRACT VALUE	
5	LETTER OF INTENT/ AWARD NO. & DATE	
6	CONTRACT PERIOD//CONTRACT DURATION	
7	DATE OF START/COMPLETION	
8	FINAL EXECUTED VALUE	
9	PERFORMANCE	GOOD SATISFACTORY UNSATISFACTORY

This certificate is issued as per your request vide letter no
without any prejudice to the rights of BHEL to use this certificate for evaluation of your offers for future tenders

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited

Head (Subcontracts)

BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED
DIVISION.....
Claim for Refund of Security Deposit
(Para 4.7.4 of Works Accounts Manual)

Ref No.:

Date:

- 1 Name and address of the contractor
- 2 Contract Agreement/Work Order No.
- 3 Date of contract agreement/work order
- 4 Name of the work undertaken
- 5 Date of commencement of the work
- 6 Date of completion of the work
- 7 Period of Maintenance
- 8 Date on which the final bill was paid
- 9 Last date of making good the defect, if any, during maintenance period
- 10 Expenditure incurred by BHEL during maintenance period, if any, recoverable
- 11 Date on which security deposit refund falls due as per contract

- 12 Amount deposited/recovered

Details	Mode	Amount

- 13 LESS amounts recoverable (with details)

- (i) Amount spent by BHEL on maintenance :
- (ii) Payments made on behalf of contractor :
- (iii) Court dues / penalties / compensation :
- (iv) Other recoveries for services etc. :
- (v) Security deposit released with final bill (%) :

- 14 Net amount recommended for release (12-13)

Details	Mode	Amount

Date:

Signature of Engineer in Charge

CERTIFICATE TO BE FURNISHED BY THE CONTRACTOR

I/We have no claim or demand outstanding against BHELfor the work done or for labor or material supplied or any other account arising out of or connected with the contract agreement/work order (No.....dated) and the payment of this bill shall be in full and final

Date:

Signature of Contractor

CERTIFICATE TO BE FURNISHED BY SENIOR ENGINEER

Certified that

– The payment recommended for release is in order and there are no demands other than those included in the claim outstanding from the contractor;

The maintenance period as per the contract agreement is over and the contractor has carried out the works required to be carried out by him during
– the period of maintenance to our satisfaction, and all expenses incurred by the company on carrying out such works have been included for adjustment;

– All the objections raised so far have been settled;

– A note of refund of security deposit has been made in the measurement book and contract agreement/work order.

Date:

Signature of Senior Engineer

FOR USE IN FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Passed for

Rs.....(Rupees.....
.....only)

Accountant

Accounts Officer

**POWER OF ATTORNEY for SUBMISSION OF TENDER/SIGNING CONTRACT
AGREEMENT (To be typed on non-judicial stamp paper of minimum Rs. 100/- and
Notarized)**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I/We do hereby make, nominate, constitute and appoint Mr , whose signature given below herewith to be true and lawful Attorney of M/s..... hereinafter called 'Company', for submitting Tender/entering into Contract and inter alia, sign, execute all papers and to do necessary lawful acts on behalf of Company with M/s Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd, Power Sector _____ Region, _____, in connection with
.....
.....
..... vide Tender Specification No : _____, dated _____.

And the Company do hereby agree to ratify and confirm all acts, deeds, things or proceedings as may be lawfully done by the said attorney and by or on behalf of the company and in the name of the company, by virtue of the powers conferred herein and the same shall be binding on the company and shall have full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the common seal of the company has been hereunto affixed in the manner hereinafter appearing on the document.

Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____

Director/CMD/Partner/Proprietor

Signature of Mr.....(Attorney)

Attested by: Director/CMD/Partner/Proprietor

Witness

Notary Public

PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE (in lieu of EARNEST MONEY)
(On non-Judicial stamp paper of appropriate value)

Bank Guarantee No.....

Date.....

To

BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED
POWER SECTOR NORTHERN REGION,
HRDI & PSNR COMPLEX, PLOT NO. 25,
SECTOR – 16 A, NOIDA – 201301, U.P.

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with the terms and conditions of Invitation for Bids/ Notice Inviting Tender No.....¹ (Tender Conditions), M/s. having its registered office at² (hereinafter referred to as the 'Tenderer'), is submitting its bid for the work of.....³ invited by M/s Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (A Govt. of India Undertaking) a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at BHEL House, Siri Fort, Asiad, New Delhi – 110049 through its Unit at Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Power Sector Northern Region, HRDI & PSNR Complex, Plot no. 25, Sector – 16 A, Noida – 201301, U.P.

The Tender Conditions provide that the Tenderer shall pay a sum of Rs as Earnest Money Deposit in the form therein mentioned. The form of payment of Earnest Money Deposit includes Bank Guarantee executed by a Scheduled Bank.

In lieu of the stipulations contained in the aforesaid Tender Conditions that an irrevocable and unconditional Bank Guarantee against Earnest Money Deposit for an amount of⁴ is required to be submitted by the Tenderer as a condition precedent for participation in the said Tender and the Tenderer having approached us for giving the said Guarantee,

we, the[Name & address of the Bank]..... having our Registered Office at(hereinafter referred to as the Bank) being the Guarantor under this Guarantee, hereby irrevocably and unconditionally undertake to forthwith and immediately pay to the Employer without any demur, merely on your first demand any sum or sums of Rs. ⁴(in words Rupees.....) without any reservation, protest, and recourse and without the beneficiary needing to prove or demonstrate reasons for its such demand.

Any such demand made on the Bank shall be conclusive as regards the 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. _____.

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(On non-Judicial stamp paper of appropriate value)

We undertake to pay to the Employer any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the Vendor/ Contractor/ Supplier in any suit or proceeding pending before any Court or Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other authority, our liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal.

The payment so made by us under this Guarantee shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment hereunder and the Tenderer shall have no claim against us for making such payment.

We Bank further agree that the Employer shall have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting in any manner our obligations hereunder to vary any of the terms and conditions of the said Tender or to extend the time of submission of from time to time or to postpone for any time or from time to time any of the powers exercisable by the Employer against the said Tenderer and we shall not be relieved from our liability by reason of any such variation, or extension being granted to the said Tenderer or for any forbearance, act or omission on the part of the Employer or any indulgence by the Employer to the said Tenderer or by any such matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would but for this provision have effect of so relieving us.

The Bank also agrees that the Employer at its option shall be entitled to enforce this Guarantee against the Bank as a principal debtor, in the first instance without proceeding against the Tenderer and notwithstanding any security or other guarantee that the Employer may have in relation to the Tenderer's liabilities.

This Guarantee shall be irrevocable and shall remain in force upto and including.....⁵ and shall be extended from time to time for such period as may be desired by the Employer.

This Guarantee shall not be determined or affected by liquidation or winding up, dissolution or change of constitution or insolvency of the Tenderer but shall in all respects and for all purposes be binding and operative until payment of all money payable to the Employer in terms hereof. However, unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made on us in writing on or before the⁶ we shall be discharged from all liabilities under this Guarantee.

We, Bank lastly undertake not to revoke this guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the Employer in writing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained hereinabove:

- a) The liability of the Bank under this Guarantee shall not exceed.....⁴.....
- b) This Guarantee shall be valid up to⁵
- c) Unless the Bank is served a written claim or demand on or before _____⁶ all rights under this guarantee shall be forfeited and the Bank shall be relieved and

PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE (in lieu of EARNEST MONEY)
(On non-Judicial stamp paper of appropriate value)

discharged from all liabilities under this guarantee irrespective of whether or not the original bank guarantee is returned to the Bank.

We, _____ Bank, have power to issue this Guarantee under law and the undersigned as a duly authorized person has full powers to sign this Guarantee on behalf of the Bank.

For and on behalf of
(Name of the Bank)

Date.....

Place of Issue.....

- ¹ Details of the Invitation to Bid/ Notice Inviting Tender
- ² Name and Address of the Tenderer
- ³ Details of the Work
- ⁴ BG Amount in words and Figures
- ⁵ Validity Date
- ⁶ Date of Expiry of Claim Period

Note:

1. Bidders are advised that expiry of claim period may be kept 3-6 months after validity date..
2. The BG should be on Non-Judicial Stamp paper/ e-stamp paper of appropriate value as per Stamp Act prevailing in the State(s) where the BG is submitted or is to be acted upon or the rate prevailing in the State where the BG was executed, whichever is higher. The Stamp Paper/ e-stamp paper shall be purchased in the name of Vendor/ Contractor/ Supplier/ Bank issuing the guarantee.

3. In Case of Bank Guarantees submitted by Foreign Vendors.

a. From Nationalized/ Public Sector/ Private Sector/ Foreign Banks (BG issued by Branches in India) can be accepted subject to the condition that the Bank Guarantee should be enforceable in the town/ city or at nearest branch where the Unit is located i.e. Demand can be presented at the Branch located in the town/city or at nearest branch where the Unit is located.

b. From Foreign Banks (wherein Foreign Vendors intend to provide BG from local branch of the Vendor country's Bank)

b.1 In such cases, Bank Guarantee issued by **any of the Consortium Banks only** will be accepted by BHEL. As such, Foreign Vendor needs to make necessary arrangements for issuance of Counter- Guarantee by Foreign Bank in favour of the Indian Bank's (BHEL's Consortium Bank) branch in India. All charges for issuance of Bank Guarantee/ counter-Guarantee should be borne by the Foreign Vendor.

PROFORMA OF BANK GUARANTEE (in lieu of EARNEST MONEY)
(On non-Judicial stamp paper of appropriate value)

- b.2** In case, Foreign Vendors intend to provide BG from Overseas Branch of our Consortium Bank (e.g. if a BG is to be issued by SBI Frankfurt), the same is acceptable. However, the procedure at **sl.no. b.1** will required to be followed.
- b.3** The BG issued may preferably be subject to Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 758 (as amended from time to time).

**STATEMENT OF CLAIMS/COUNTER CLAIMS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE
IEC BY BOTH THE PARTIES**

1. Chronology of the Disputes
2. Brief of the Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA
3. Brief history of the Disputes:
4. Issues:
5. Details of Claim(s)/Counter Claim(s):

SI. No.	Description of claim(s)/Counter Claim	Amount (in INR)Or currency applicable in the contract	Relevant contract clause

6. Basis/Ground of claim(s)/counter claim(s) (along with relevant clause of contract)

Note– *The Statement of Claims/ Counter Claims may ideally be restricted to maximum limit of 20 pages. Relevant documents may be compiled and submitted along with the statement of Claims/ Counter Claims. The statement of Claims/ Counter Claims is to be submitted to all IEC members and to the other party by post as well as by email.*

FORMAT FOR NOTICE INVOKING CONCILIATION CLAUSE BY BHEL FOR REFERRING THE DISPUTES TO CONCILIATION THROUGH IEC

To,

M/s. (Stakeholder's name)

Subject: **NOTICE FOR INVOCATION OF THE CONCILIATION CLAUSE OF THE CONTRACT BY BHEL**

Ref: Contract No/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA& date _____.

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, with reference to above referred Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA, certain disputes have arisen, which, in spite of several rounds of mutual discussions and various correspondences have remained unresolved. The brief particulars of our claims which arise out of the above- referred Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA are reproduced hereunder:

Sl. No.	Claim description	Amount involved

As you are aware, there is a provision in the captioned Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/ LOA for referring disputes to conciliation.

In terms of Clause -----of Procedure i.e., Annexure ----- to the Contract/MoU /Agreement / LOI / LOA, we hereby seek your consent to refer the matter to Conciliation by Independent Experts Committee to be appointed by BHEL. You are invited to provide your consent in writing to proceed with conciliation into the above mentioned disputes within a period of 30 days from the date of this letter along with details of counter-claims, if any, which you might have with regard to the subject Contract/ MoU/ Agreement/ LOI/ LOA.

Please note that upon receipt of your consent in writing within 30 days of the date of receipt of this letter by you, BHEL shall appoint suitable person(s) from the BHEL Panel of Conciliators.

This letter is being issued without prejudice to our rights and contentions available under the contract and law.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully

Representative of BHEL

Note: The Format may be suitably modified, as required, based on facts and circumstances of the case.

**FORMAT FOR NOTICE INVOKING CONCILIATION CLAUSE BY A
STAKEHOLDER FOR REFERRING THE DISPUTES TO CONCILIATION
THROUGH IEC**

To,

BHEL (Head of the Unit/Division/Region/Business Group)

Subject: **NOTICE FOR INVOCATION OF THE CONCILIATION CLAUSE OF THE
CONTRACT BY A STAKEHOLDER**

Ref: Contract No/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA& date _____.

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, with reference to above referred Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA, certain disputes have arisen, which, in spite of several rounds of mutual discussions and various correspondences have remained unresolved. The brief particulars of our claims which have arisen out of the above-referred Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA are enumerated hereunder:

Sl. No.	Claim description	Amount involved

As you are aware, there is a provision in the captioned Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/ LOA for referring inter-se disputes of the Parties to conciliation.

We wish to refer the above-said disputes to Conciliation as per the said Clause of the captioned Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/ LOA. In terms of Clause -----of Procedure i.e., Annexure ----- to the Contract/MoU /Agreement / LOI / LOA, we hereby invite BHEL to provide its consent in writing to proceed with conciliation into the above mentioned disputes within a period of 30 days from the date of this letter along with details of counter-claims, if any, which it might have with regard to the subject Contract/ MoU/ Agreement/ LOI/ LOA and to appoint suitable person(s) as Conciliator(s) from the BHEL Panel of Conciliators.

This letter is being issued without prejudice to our rights and contentions available under the contract and law.

Thanking you
Yours faithfully

Representative of the Stakeholder

Note: The Format may be suitably modified, as required, based on facts and circumstances of the case.

FORMAT FOR INTIMATION TO THE STAKEHOLDER ABOUT APPOINTMENT OF CONCILIATOR/IEC

To,

M/s. (Stakeholder's name)

Subject: **INTIMATION BY BHEL TO THE STAKEHOLDER AND CONCILIATOR(S) ABOUT APPOINTMENT OF CONCILIATOR/IEC**

Ref: Contract No/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA& date _____.

Sir,

This is with reference to letter dated ----- regarding reference of the disputes arising in connection with the subject Contract No /MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA to conciliation and appointment of Conciliator(s).

In pursuance of the said letter, the said disputes are assigned to conciliation and the following persons are nominated as Conciliator(s) for conciliating and assisting the Parties to amicably resolve the disputes in terms of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 and the Procedure ---- to the subject Contract/MoU/Agreement/LOI/LOA, if possible.

Name and contact details of Conciliator(s)

a)

b)

c)

You are requested to submit the Statement of Claims or Counter-Claims (strike off whichever is inapplicable) before the Conciliator(s) in Format 29 (enclosed herewith) as per the time limit as prescribed by the Conciliator(s).

Yours faithfully,

Representative of BHEL

CC: To Conciliator(s)... for Kind Information please.

Encl: As above

Note: The Format may be suitably modified, as required, based on facts and circumstances of the case.

PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCT OF CONCILIATION PROCEEDINGS

1. The proceedings of Conciliation shall broadly be governed by Part-III of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 or any statutory modification thereof and as provided herein:
2. The party desirous of resorting to Conciliation shall send an invitation/notice in writing to the other party to conciliate specifying all points of Disputes with details of the amount claimed. The party concerned shall not raise any new issue thereafter. Parties shall also not claim any interest on claims/counter-claims from the date of notice invoking Conciliation till the conclusion of the Conciliation proceedings. If BHEL is to initiate Conciliation, then, the invitation to Conciliate shall be extended to the concerned Stakeholder in **Format-30** hereto. Where the stakeholder is to initiate the Conciliation, the notice for initiation of Conciliation shall be sent in **Format-31** hereto.
3. The party receiving the invitation/notice for Conciliation shall within 30 days of receipt of the notice of Conciliation intimate its consent for Conciliation along with its counter-claims, if any.
4. The Conciliation in a matter involving claim or counter-claim (whichever is higher) up to Rs 5 crores shall be carried out by sole Conciliator nominated by BHEL while in a matter involving claim or counter-claim (whichever is higher) of more than Rs 5 crores Conciliation shall be carried out by 3 Conciliators nominated by BHEL. The appointment of Conciliator(s) shall be completed and communicated by the concerned Department/Group of BHEL Unit/Division/Region/Business Group to the other party and the Conciliator(s) within 30 days from the date of acceptance of the invitation to conciliate by the concerned party in the **Format-32**. The details of the Claim, and counter-claim, if any, shall be intimated to the Conciliator(s) simultaneously in **Format-29**.
5. The Parties shall be represented by only their duly authorized in-house executives/officers and neither Party shall be represented by a Lawyer.
6. The first meeting of the IEC shall be convened by the IEC by sending appropriate communication/notice to both the parties as soon as possible but not later than 30 days from the date of his/their appointment. The hearings in the Conciliation proceeding shall ordinarily be concluded within two (2) months and, in exceptional cases where parties have expressed willingness to settle the matter or there exists possibility of settlement in the matter, the proceedings may be extended by the IEC by a maximum of further 2 months with the consent of the Parties subject to cogent reasons being recorded in writing.

- 7.** The IEC shall thereafter formulate recommendations for settlement of the Disputes supported by reasons at the earliest but in any case within 15 days from the date of conclusion of the last hearing. The recommendations so formulated along with the reasons shall be furnished by the IEC to both the Parties at the earliest but in any case within 1 month from the date of conclusion of the last hearing.
- 8.** Response/modifications/suggestions of the Parties on the recommendations of the IEC are to be submitted to the IEC within time limit stipulated by the IEC but not more than 15 days from the date of receipt of the recommendations from the IEC.
- 9.** In the event, upon consideration, further review of the recommendations is considered necessary, whether by BHEL or by the other Party, then, the matter can be remitted back to the IEC with request to reconsider the same in light of the issues projected by either/both the Parties and to submit its recommendations thereon within the following 15 days from the date of remitting of the case by either of the Parties.
- 10.** Upon the recommendations by the Parties, with or without modifications, as considered necessary, the IEC shall be called upon to draw up the Draft Settlement Agreement in terms of the recommendations.
- 11.** When a consensus can be arrived at between the parties only in regard to any one or some of the issues referred for Conciliation the draft Settlement Agreement shall be accordingly formulated in regard to the said Issue(s), and the said Settlement Agreement, if signed, by the parties, shall be valid only for the said issues. As regards the balance issues not settled, the parties may seek to resolve them further as per terms and conditions provided in the contract.
- 12.** In case no settlement can be reached between the parties, the IEC shall by a written declaration, pronounce that the Conciliation between the parties has failed and is accordingly terminated.
- 13.** Unless the Conciliation proceedings are terminated in terms of para 22 (b), (c) & (d) herein below, the IEC shall forward his/its recommendations as to possible terms of settlement within one (1) month from the date of last hearing. The date of first hearing of Conciliation shall be the starting date for calculating the period of 2 months.
- 14.** In case of 3 members IEC, 2 members of IEC present will constitute a valid quorum for IEC and meeting can take place to proceed in the matter after

seeking consent from the member who is not available. If necessary, videoconferencing may be arranged for facilitating participation of the members. However, the IEC recommendations will be signed by all members. Where there is more than one (1) Conciliator, as a general rule they shall act jointly. In the event of differences between the Members of IEC, the decision/recommendations of the majority of the Members of IEC shall prevail and be construed as the recommendation of the IEC.

- 15.** The Draft Settlement Agreement prepared by the IEC in terms of the consensus arrived at during the Conciliation proceedings between the Parties shall be given by the IEC to both the parties for putting up for approval of their respective Competent Authority.
- 16.** Before submitting the draft settlement agreement to BHEL's Competent Authority viz. the Board Level Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution (BLCADR) for approval, concurrence of the other party's Competent Authority to the draft settlement agreement shall be obtained by the other party and informed to BHEL within 15 days of receipt of the final draft settlement agreement by it. Upon approval by the Competent Authority, the Settlement Agreement would thereafter be signed by the authorized representatives of both the Parties and authenticated by the members of the IEC.
- 17.** In case the Draft Settlement Agreement is rejected by the Competent Authority of BHEL or the other Party, the Conciliation proceedings would stand terminated.
- 18.** A Settlement Agreement shall contain a statement to the effect that each of the person(s) signing thereto (i) is fully authorized by the respective Party(ies) he/she represents, (ii) has fully understood the contents of the same and (iii) is signing on the same out of complete freewill and consent, without any pressure, undue influence.
- 19.** The Settlement Agreement shall thereafter have the same legal status and effect as an arbitration award on agreed terms on the substance of the dispute rendered by an arbitral tribunal passed under section 30 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996.
- 20.** Acceptance of the Draft Settlement Agreement/recommendations of the Conciliator and/or signing of the Settlement Agreement by BHEL shall however, be subject to withdrawal/closure of any arbitral and/or judicial proceedings initiated by the concerned Party in regard to such settled issues.
- 21.** Unless otherwise provided for in the agreement, contract or the Memorandum of Understanding, as the case may be, in the event of likelihood of prolonged

absence of the Conciliator or any member of IEC, for any reason/incapacity, the Competent Authority/Head of Unit/Division/Region/Business Group of BHEL may substitute the Conciliator or such member at any stage of the proceedings. Upon appointment of the substitute Conciliator(s), such reconstituted IEC may, with the consent of the Parties, proceed with further Conciliation into the matter either de-novo or from the stage already reached by the previous IEC before the substitution.

22. The proceedings of Conciliation under this Scheme may be terminated as follows:

- a.** On the date of signing of the Settlement agreement by the Parties; or,
- b.** By a written declaration of the IEC, after consultation with the parties, to the effect that further efforts at conciliation are no longer justified, on the date of the declaration; or,
- c.** By a written declaration of the Parties addressed to the IEC to the effect that the Conciliation proceedings are terminated, on the date of the declaration; or,
- d.** By a written declaration of a Party to the other Party and the IEC, if appointed, to the effect that the Conciliation proceedings are terminated, on the date of the declaration; or,
- e.** On rejection of the Draft Settlement Agreement by the Competent Authority of BHEL or the other Party.

23. The Conciliator(s) shall be entitled to following fees and facilities:

Sl No	Particulars	Amount
1	Sitting fees	Each Member shall be paid a Lump Sum fee of Rs 75,000/- for the whole case payable in terms of paragraph No. 27 herein below.
2	Towards drafting of settlement agreement	In cases involving claim and/or counter-claim of up to Rs 5crores. Rs 50,000/- (Sole Conciliator) In cases involving claim and/or counter-claim of exceeding Rs 5 crores but less than Rs 10 crores. Rs 75,000 (per Conciliator)

Sl No	Particulars	Amount
		<p>In cases involving claim and/or counter-claim of more than Rs 10 crores.</p> <p>Rs 1,00,000/- (per Conciliator)</p> <p>Note: The aforesaid fees for the drafting of the Settlement Agreement shall be paid on the,</p> <p>Signing of the Settlement Agreement after approval of the Competent Authority</p> <p>or</p> <p>Rejection of the proposed Settlement Agreement by the Competent Authority of BHEL.</p>
3	Secretarial expenses	<p>Rs 10,000/- (one time) for the whole case for Conciliation by a Sole Member IEC.</p> <p>Where Conciliation is by multi member Conciliators –Rs 30,000/- (one time)- to be paid to the IEC</p>
4	Travel and transportation and stay at outstation Retired Senior Officials of other Public Sector Undertakings (pay scale wise equivalent to or more than E-8 level of BHEL)	As per entitlement of the equivalent officer (pay scale wise) in BHEL.
	Others	<p>As per the extant entitlement of whole time Functional Directors in BHEL.</p> <p>Ordinarily, the IEC Member(s) would be entitled to travel by air Economy Class.</p>
5	Venue for meeting	Unless otherwise agreed in the agreement, contract or the Memorandum of Understanding, as the case may be, the venue/seat of proceedings shall be the location of the concerned Unit / Division / Region /

Sl No	Particulars	Amount
		Business Group of BHEL. Without prejudice to the seat/venue of the Conciliation being at the location of concerned BHEL Unit / Division / Region / Business Group, the IEC after consulting the Parties may decide to hold the proceedings at any other place/venue to facilitate the proceedings. Unless, Parties agree to conduct Conciliation at BHEL premises, the venue is to be arranged by either Party alternately.

- 24.** The parties will bear their own costs including cost of presenting their cases/evidence/witness(es)/expert(s) on their behalf. The parties agree to rely upon documentary evidence in support of their claims and not to bring any oral evidence in IEC proceedings.
- 25.** If any witness(es) or expert(s) is/are, with the consent of the parties, called upon to appear at the instance of the IEC in connection with the matter, then, the costs towards such witness(es)/expert(s) shall be determined by the IEC with the consent of the Parties and the cost so determined shall be borne equally by the Parties.
- 26.** The other expenditures/costs in connection with the Conciliation proceedings as well as the IEC's fees and expenses shall be shared by the Parties equally.
- 27.** Out of the lump sum fees of Rs 75,000/- for Sitting Fees, 50% shall be payable after the first meeting of the IEC and the remaining 50% of the Sitting Fees shall be payable only after termination of the conciliation proceedings in terms of para 22 hereinabove.
- 28.** The travelling, transportation and stay at outstation shall be arranged by concerned Unit as per entitlements as per Serial No. 4 of the Table at para 23 above, and in case such arrangements are not made by the BHEL Unit, the same shall be reimbursed to the IEC on actuals limited to their entitlement as per Serial No. 4 of the Table at Para 23 above against supporting documents. The IEC Member(s) shall submit necessary invoice for claiming the fees/reimbursements.
- 29.** The Parties shall keep confidential all matters relating to the conciliation proceedings. Confidentiality shall extend also to the settlement agreement,

except where its disclosure is necessary for purposes of its implementation and enforcement or as required by or under a law or as per directions of a Court/Governmental authority/ regulatory body, as the case may be.

- 30.** The Parties shall not rely upon or introduce as evidence in any further arbitral or judicial proceedings, whether or not such proceedings relate to the Disputes that is the subject of the Conciliation proceedings:
- a.** Views expressed or suggestions made by the other party in respect of a possible settlement of the Disputes;
 - b.** admissions made by the other party in the course of the Conciliator proceedings;
 - c.** proposals made by the Conciliator;
 - d.** The fact that the other Party had indicated his willingness to accept a proposal for settlement made by the Conciliator.
- 31.** The Parties shall not present the Conciliator(s) as witness in any Alternative Dispute Resolution or Judicial proceedings in respect of a Disputes that is/was the subject of that particular Conciliation proceeding.
- 32.** None of the Conciliators shall act as an arbitrator or as a representative or counsel of a Party in any arbitral or judicial proceeding in respect of a Disputes that is/was the subject of that particular Conciliation proceeding.
- 33.** The Parties shall not initiate, during the Conciliation proceedings, any arbitral or judicial proceedings in respect of a Disputes that is the subject matter of the Conciliation proceedings except that a Party may initiate arbitral or judicial proceedings where, in his opinion, such proceedings are necessary for preserving his rights including for preventing expiry of period of limitation. Unless terminated as per the provisions of this Scheme, the Conciliation proceedings shall continue notwithstanding the commencement of the arbitral or judicial proceedings and the arbitral or judicial proceedings shall be primarily for the purpose of preserving rights including preventing expiry of period of limitation.
- 34.** The official language of Conciliation proceedings under this Scheme shall be English unless the Parties agree to some other language.