# CHAPTER 20 GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) FOR GOODS AND SERVICES

The word 'Purchaser' refers to MAZAGON DOCK SHIPBUILDERS LIMITED, (MDL), a Company within the meaning of Companies Act, 2013 and it includes its successors or assignees.

The word 'Bidder' (including the term 'tenderer', 'consultant' 'vendor' or 'service provider' in certain contexts) means any legal entity such as firm(s) of Proprietorship / Partnership Firm / Limited Liability Partnership / Private Limited / Limited company / Society registered under Society's Act / Statutory Bodies/ Consortium/ Joint Venture etc. participating in a procurement process.

The word 'Owner' means the person or authority with whom Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (Purchaser) has contracted to carry out work in relation to which orders are placed by the Purchaser on the Bidder/Supplier/Contractor under this contract for supply or manufacture of certain items and would include Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence, Government of India, the Indian Navy, the Coast Guard and any other specified authority.

Unless otherwise indicated specifically by the bidder / contractor in his bid, it shall be construed as his acceptance of all the conditions mentioned in this GCC.

# 1. **TENETS OF INTERPRETATION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Unless where the context requires otherwise, throughout the contract:

- (a) The heading of these conditions shall not affect the interpretation or construction thereof.
- (b) Writing or written includes matter either whole or in part, in digital communications, manuscript, typewritten, lithographed, cyclostyled, photographed, or printed under or over signature or seal or digitally acceptable authentication, as the case may be.
- (c) Words in the singular include the plural and vice-versa.
- (d) Words importing the masculine gender shall be taken to include other genders, and words importing persons shall include any company or association or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not.
- (e) Terms and expression not herein defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Contract Act, 1872 (as amended) or the Sale of Goods Act, 1930 (as amended) or the General Clauses Act, 1897 (as amended) or of INCOTERMS, (current edition published by the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris) as the case may be.
- (f) Any reference to 'Goods' shall be deemed to include the incidental Works/ Services also.
- (g) Any generic reference to GCC shall also imply a reference to TEF as well.
- (h) In case of conflict, provisions of TEF shall prevail over those in GCC.
- (i) Any reference to 'Contract' shall be deemed to include all other documents (inter-alia GCC, TEF).
- (j) Any reference to any legal Act, Government Policies or orders shall be deemed to include all amendments to such instruments, from time to time, till date.
- (k) Fall Clause shall be expressly applicable in the case of Rate Contract.

### 2. **LANGUAGE OF CONTRACT** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Unless otherwise stipulated in TEF, the contract shall be written in the Official Language or English. All correspondence and other contract documents, which the parties exchange, shall also be written/ translated accordingly in that language. For

purposes of interpretation of the contract, the English documents/ translation shall prevail.

# 3. **GOVERNING LAWS AND JURISDICTION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

#### 3.1 Governing Laws and Jurisdiction

- (a) This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Laws of India for the time being in force.
- (b) Irrespective of the place of delivery, or the place of performance or the place of payments under the contract, the contract shall be deemed to have been made at the place from which the Purchase Order/Contract/Letter of Intent has been issued. The courts of such a place shall alone have jurisdiction to decide any dispute arising out or in respect of the contract.

# 3.2 Changes in Laws and Regulations

Unless otherwise stipulated in the contract, if after the last deadline for the bid submission (Techno-commercial), any law, regulation, ordinance, order or bye-law having the force of law is enacted, promulgated, abrogated, or changed in India (which shall be deemed to include any change in interpretation or application by the competent authorities) that subsequently affects the Delivery Date and/ or the contract Price, then such Delivery Date and/ or Contract Price shall be correspondingly increased or decreased, to the extent that the contractor has thereby been affected in the performance of any of its obligations under the contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such additional or reduced cost shall not be separately paid or credited if the same has already been accounted for in the price adjustment provisions where applicable.

# 4. **CONFIDENTIALITY, SECRECY AND IPR RIGHTS** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

#### (a) IPR Rights

All deliverables, outputs, plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, and other documents and software submitted by the contractor under this Contract shall become and remain the property of MDL and subject to laws of copyright and must not be shared with third parties or reproduced, whether in whole or part, without MDL's prior written consent. The contractor shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents and software to MDL, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The contractor may retain a copy of such documents and software but shall not use it for any commercial purpose.

#### (b) Confidentiality

All documents, drawings, samples, data, associated correspondence or other information furnished by or on behalf of MDL to the contractor, in connection with the contract, whether such information has been furnished before, during or following completion or termination of the contract, are confidential and shall remain the property of MDL and shall not, without the prior written consent of MDL neither be divulged by the contractor to any third party, nor be used by him for any purpose other than the design, procurement, or other services and work required for the performance of this Contract. If advised by MDL, all copies of all such information in original shall be returned on completion of the contractor's performance and obligations under this contract.

# (c) Secrecy

If the Contract declares the subject matter of this Contract as coming under the Official Secrets Act, 1923 or if the contract is marked as "Secret", the contractor shall take all reasonable steps necessary to ensure that all persons employed in any connection with the contract, have acknowledged their responsibilities and penalties for violations under the Official Secrets Act and any regulations framed thereunder.

#### (d) **Obligations of the contractor**

- (i) Without MDL's prior written consent, the contractor shall not use the information mentioned above except for the sole purpose of performing this contract.
- (ii) The contractor shall treat and mark all information as confidential (or Secret – as the case may) and shall not, without the written consent of MDL, divulge to any person other than the person(s) employed by the contractor in the performance of the contract. Further, any such disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and only so far as necessary for such performance for this contract.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the above, the contractor may furnish to its holding company or its Subcontractor(s) such documents, data, and other information it receives from MDL to the extent required for performing the contract. In this event, the contractor shall obtain from such holding company/ Subcontractor(s) an undertaking of confidentiality (or secrecy as the case may be) similar to that imposed on the contractor under the above clauses.
- (iv) The obligation of the contractor under sub-clauses above, however, shall not apply to information that:
  - (aa) The contractor needs to share with the institution(s) participating in the financing of the contract;
  - (ab) now or hereafter is or enters the public domain through no fault of Contractor;
  - (ac) can be proven to have been possessed by the contractor at the time of disclosure and which was not previously obtained, directly or indirectly, from MDL; or
  - (ad) otherwise lawfully becomes available to the contractor from a third party that has no obligation of confidentiality.
- (v) The above provisions shall not in any way modify any undertaking of confidentiality (or Secrecy – as the case may be) given by the contractor before the date of the contract in respect of the contract/ the Tender Document or any part thereof.
- (vi) The provisions of this clause shall survive completion or termination for whatever reason of the contract.
- 5. PERMITS, APPROVALS AND LICENSES (Applicable for Goods and Services) Whenever the supply of Goods and incidental Services requires that the contractor obtain permits, approvals, and licenses from local public authorities, it shall be the contractor's sole responsibility to obtain these and keep these current and valid. Such requirements may include but not be restricted to export licence or environmental clearance if required. If requested by the contractor, MDL shall make its best effort to assist the contractor in complying with such requirements in a timely and expeditious manner, without any dilution of the Contractor's responsibility in this regard.

# 6. **TRANSFER OF TITLE OF GOODS** (Applicable for Goods)

- Unless otherwise stated in the contract, notwithstanding any inspection and approval by the Inspecting Officer on the contractor's premises, or any payments made to the contractor, property in the Goods (and resultant rights and liabilities) shall not pass on to MDL until the Goods have been received, inspected, and accepted by the consignee. The Goods and every constituent part thereof, whether in the possession or control of the contractor, his agents or servants or a carrier, or the joint possession of the contractor, his agents or servants and MDL, his agents, or servants, shall remain in every respect at the risk of the contractor, until their actual delivery to a person stipulated in the contract, as the interim consignee for despatch to the consignee. The Contractor shall be responsible for all loss, destruction, damage, or deterioration of or to the Goods from any cause whatsoever while the Goods after approval by the Inspecting Officer are awaiting despatch or delivery or are in the course of transit from the contractor to the consignee or interim consignee, as the case may be. The Contractor shall alone be entitled and responsible for making claims against any carrier in respect of non-delivery, short delivery, mis-delivery, loss, destruction, damage, or deterioration of the Goods entrusted to such carrier by the contractor for transmission to the consignee or the interim consignee as the case may be.
- (b) Provided that where, under the terms of the contract, the Goods are required to be delivered to an interim consignee for despatch to the consignee, the Goods shall be at MDL's risk after their delivery to the interim consignee.

# 7. **EXTENSION OF DELIVERY PERIOD** (Applicable for Goods)

(a) If at any time during the currency of the contract, the contractor encounters conditions hindering timely delivery of the Goods and performance of incidental Works/ Services, he shall promptly inform MDL in writing about the same and its likely duration. He must make a request to MDL for an extension of the delivery schedule. On receiving the contractor's communication, MDL shall examine the situation and, at its discretion, may agree to extend the delivery schedule, with or without liquidated damages and with and without denial clause by issuing an amendment to the contract.

#### (b) Conditions for Extension of Delivery Period

When the period of delivery is extended due to unexcused delay (Note: please ensure that unexcused delay is defined. Otherwise replace "unexcused delay" with the "delays attributable") by the contractor, the amendment extending the delivery period shall, inter alia, be subject to the following conditions:

(i) Liquidated Damages

MDL shall recover from the contractor, under the provisions of this clause, liquidated damages on the Goods and incidental Works/ Services, which the contractor has failed to deliver within the delivery period stipulated in the contract.

#### (ii) Denial Clause

(aa) No increases in price on account of any statutory increase in or fresh Imposition of GST, customs duty or on account of any other taxes/ duty/ cess/ levy), leviable in respect of the Goods and incidental Works/ Services stipulated in the said contract which takes place after the original delivery date, shall be admissible on such of the said Goods, as are delivered after the said date; and

- (ab) Notwithstanding any stipulation in the contract for an increase in price on any other ground, including price variation clause or foreign exchange rate variation, or any other variation clause, no such increase after the original delivery date shall be admissible on such goods delivered after the said date.
- (ac) Nevertheless, MDL shall be entitled to the benefit of any decrease in price on account of reduction in or remission of GST, customs duty or on account of any other Tax or duty or any other ground as stipulated in the price variation clause or foreign exchange rate variation or any other variation clause which takes place after the expiry of the original delivery date.

# (c) Liquidated damages

If the contractor fails to deliver any or all of the Goods or fails to perform the incidental Works/ Services (e.g. installation, commissioning or operator training) within the time frame(s) incorporated in the contract, MDL shall, without prejudice to other rights and remedies available to MDL under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as agreed liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, a sum equivalent to the 0.5 % percent (excluding taxes) of the delivered price of the delayed Goods and/ or incidental Works/ Services for each week of delay or part thereof until actual delivery or performance, subject to a maximum deduction of the 5% of the delayed Goods' or incidental Works/ Services' contract price(s). Besides liquidated damages during such a delay, the denial clause shall also apply. Any failure or delay by any subcontractor, though their employment may have been sanctioned shall not be admitted as aground for any extension of time or for exempting the contractor from liability for any such loss or damage as aforesaid.

# 8. <u>DEFAULTS, BREACHES & TERMINATION OF CONTRACT</u> (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Termination due to Breach, Default, and Insolvency

#### (a) **Defaults and Breach of Contract**

In case the contractor undergoes insolvency or receivership; neglects or defaults, or expresses inability or disinclination to honour his obligations relating to the performance of the contract or ethical standards or any other obligation that substantively affects MDL's rights and benefits under the contract, it shall be treated as a breach of Contract. Such defaults shall include inter-alia:

#### (i) Default in Performance and Obligations

If the contractor fails to deliver any or all of the Goods or fails to perform any other contractual obligations (including Code of Integrity or obligation to maintain eligibility and Qualifications based on which contract was awarded) within the period stipulated in the contract or within any extension thereof granted by MDL.

#### (ii) Insolvency

If the contractor is wound up or ceases to otherwise trade or is unable to pay its debts as and when they fall due or is otherwise subject to any insolvency procedure.

(iii) If a receiver or similar official is appointed overall or any of the assets of the contractor or a petition is presented for its winding up or it entered into a composition with its creditors;

#### (b) Notice for Default

As soon as a breach of contract is noticed, a show-cause 'Notice of Default' shall be issued to the contractor, giving two weeks' notice, reserving the right to invoke contractual remedies. After such a show-cause notice, all payments to the contractor would be temporarily withheld to safeguard needed recoveries that may become due on invoking contractual remedies.

#### (c) Terminations for Default

- (i) Notice for Termination for Default: In the event of unsatisfactory resolution of 'Notice of Default' within two weeks of its issue as per subclause above, MDL if so decided, shall by written Notice of Termination for Default sent to the contractor, terminate the contract in whole or in part, without compensation to the contractor.
- (ii) Such termination shall not prejudice or affect the rights and remedies, including under sub-clause below, which have accrued and/ or shall accrue to MDL after that.
- (iii) Unless otherwise instructed by MDL, the contractor shall continue to perform the contract to the extent not terminated. All warranty obligations, if any, shall continue to survive despite the termination.

# (d) Contractual Remedies for Breaches/Defaults or Termination for Default

If there is an unsatisfactory resolution within this period, MDL shall take one; or more of the following contractual remedies.

- (i) Temporary withhold payments due to the contractor till recoveries due to invocation of other contractual remedies are complete.
- (ii) Call back any loaned property or advances of payment, if any, with the levy of interest at the prevailing rate (MIBID Mumbai Interbank Bid Rate).
- (iii) Recover liquidated damages and invoke denial clause for delays.
- (iv) Encash and/ or Forfeit performance or other contractual securities.
- (v) Prefer claims against insurances, if any.
- (vi) Terminate contract for default, fully or partially including its right for Riskand-Cost Procurement as per following sub-clause.

#### (vii) Risk and Cost Procurement

In addition to termination for default, MDL shall be entitled, and it shall be lawful on his part, to procure Goods same to those terminated, with such terms and conditions and in such manner as it deems fit at the "Risk and Cost" of the contractor. Such 'Risk and Cost Procurement' must be initiated (viz. AIP/PR/Tender) within six months from the termination of Contract. The Contractor shall be liable for any loss which MDL may sustain on that account provided the procurement, or, if there is an agreement to procure, such agreement is made. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any gain on such procurement, and the manner and method of such procurement shall be in the entire discretion of MDL. (Note: deleted being contrary to law). (Note: No contractor would give security after the termination of the contract)

Note: Regarding the Goods which are not readily available in the market and where procurement difficulties are experienced, the period for making risk procurement shall be nine months instead of six months provided above.

(viii) Initiate legal proceedings in a for the recovery of the losses and damages, not addressable by the above means.

# 9. **CLOSURE OF CONTRACT** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The contract shall stand closed upon successful performance of all obligations by the firm, including completion of warrantee obligations and final payment. If no claim is received within 03 years from last supplies/services, then no claim shall be entertained thereafter.

# 10. **COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE FOR DOCUMENTATION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Any letter, facsimile message, e-mail intimation or notice sent to the Bidder/Supplier/Contractor at the last known address mentioned in the offer / order shall be deemed to be valid communication for the purpose of the order/contract. Unless stated otherwise by the purchaser, Language for communication and all documentation shall be same, which the Purchaser has used, in the tender enquiry.

# 11. **PRESERVATION AND MAINTENANCE** (Applicable for Goods)

Should any material require any preservation till its final installation/fitment, the detailed procedure (Long term and short term) for the same as also the time of interval after which the state of preservation needs to be reviewed is to be stated by the Bidder/Supplier/Contractor.

Further the de-preservation prior to the material/equipment being commissioned and the maintenance procedure together with its periodicity is also to be indicated by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor.

# 12. **FREIGHT AND INSURANCE**. (Applicable for Goods)

# (a) For Indigenous Bidders

Bidder shall quote for 'Door Delivery to Purchaser,' all charges towards door delivery viz. transport, Insurance charges etc. shall be borne by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor.

#### (b) For Foreign Bidders

For overseas bidders, bidder shall agree for supplying the goods on CIF/CIP, Incoterm basis. The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor shall immediately on despatch of the items, inform all relevant details of despatch such as Order Number, Bill of Lading/AWB Number marked as Freight Paid, Insurance policy/document, number of packages, value of consignment, invoice number etc. as per contractual terms.

#### 13. **DEMURRAGE** (Applicable for Goods)

Storage, and Demurrage, fines etc. charges will be payable by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor for all shipments in case of improper documentation, wrong declarations, error in weight measurements, packing list, invoice, late receipt of documents etc. i.e. for reasons which are not attributable to the purchaser.

### 14. **CANCELLATION OF TENDER** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Purchaser reserves the right to cancel/withdraw the tender in toto or part and or award the contract / order in full or part without assigning any reason whatsoever and without thereby incurring any liability to the affected Bidder or Bidders or any obligations to inform the affected Bidder or Bidders of the grounds for MDL action.

### 15. **PURCHASER'S PROPERTY.** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

All property (such as materials, drawings, documents etc.) issued by the Purchaser or any other individual or firm on behalf of the Purchaser in connection with the contract shall remain confidential, being the property of the Purchaser and the Bidder/Supplier/Contractor shall undertake to return all such property so issued and

will be responsible for any or all loss thereof and damage thereto resulting from whatever causes and shall reimburse the Purchaser the full amount of loss and damage.

On completion of work in any compartment / location of the purchaser's premises, the Bidder/Supplier/Contractor must ensure that the place is left in a reasonably clean state and all scrap is transferred to nearby scrap-bins.

# 16. **REJECTION OF MATERIALS** (Applicable for Goods)

If the Goods, or any portion thereof of the equipment found defective / rejected, the Supplier / Contractor shall collect the same from MDL's Stores, all incidental charges being borne by him (inclusive of Custom duty, if payable), within 30 days from the date of intimation to the Supplier / Contractor of such rejection. If not collected within 30 days, MDL shall recover storage charges @ 1 % per month maximum up to 5% of cost of rejected items. MDL reserves the right to dispose off the rejected items at the end of a total period of six months in any manner to the best advantage to MDL and recover consequential damages maximum up to order value.

17. **RECOVERY-ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Payment made under one order shall not be assigned or adjusted to any other order except to the extent agreed upon in writing by the Purchaser. During the currency of the contract, if any sum of money is payable by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor the same shall be deducted from any sum then due or thereafter may become due to the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor under the contract or any other contract with the Purchaser.

#### 18. **INDEMNIFICATION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor, his employees, licences, agents or Sub-Supplier / Sub-contractor, while on site of the Purchaser for the purpose of this contract, indemnifies the Purchaser against direct damage and/or injury to the property and/or the person of the Purchaser or that of Purchaser's employees, agents, Sub-Contractors / Suppliers occurring and to the extent caused by the negligence of the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor, his employees, licensees, agents or Sub-contractor by making good such damages to the property, or compensating personal injury and the total liability for such damages or injury shall be as mutually discussed and agreed to.

# 19. TRANSFER OF SUPPLIERS / CONTRACTOR'S RIGHTS (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor shall not either wholly or partly sell, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of the rights, liabilities and obligations under the contract between him and the Purchaser without prior consent of the Purchaser in writing.

# 20. <u>SUBCONTRACT AND RIGHT OF PURCHASER</u> (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor under no circumstances undertake or subcontract any work / contract from or to any other Sub-contractor without prior written approval of the Competent Authority of Purchaser. In the event it is found that such practice has been indulged in, the contract is liable to be terminated without notice and the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor is debarred all from future tender enquiries / work orders. However, in no circumstances a contractor is permitted to subcontract any part of the contract to the bidders who had quoted for the concerned tender.

# 21. **PATENT RIGHTS** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor shall hold harmless and keep the Purchaser indemnified against all claims arising as a result of infringement of any patent / copy rights on account of manufacture, sale or use of articles covered by the order.

# 22. **AGENTS/AGENCY COMMISSION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The seller confirms and declares to the buyer that the seller is the original manufacturer or authorized distributor/stockiest of original manufacturer of the goods referred to in this contract and has not engaged any individual or firm, whether Indian or foreign whatsoever, to intercede, facilitate or in any way to recommended to the Buyer or any of its functionaries, whether officially or unofficially, to the award of the Contract / Purchase order to the Seller; nor has any amount been paid, promised or intended to be paid to any such individual or firm in respect of any such intercession, facilitation or recommendation.

The Seller agrees that if it is established at any time to the satisfaction of the Buyer that the present declaration is in any way incorrect or if at a later stage it is discovered by the Buyer that the Seller has engaged any such individual/firm, and paid or intended to pay any amount, gift, reward, fees, commission or consideration to such person, party, firm or institution, whether before or after the signing of this Contract / Purchase order, the Seller will be liable to refund that amount to the Buyer. The seller will also be debarred from participation in any RFQ/Tender for new projects/program with Buyer for a minimum period of five years.

The buyer will also have a right to consider cancellation of the Contract either wholly or in part, without any entitlement or compensation to the Seller who shall in such event be liable to refund all payments made by the buyer in terms of the Contract along with interest at the rate of 2% per annum or 6% whichever is higher above LIBOR (London Inter Bank Offer Rate) (for foreign vendors) and base rate of SBI plus 2% (for Indian Vendors).

The Buyer will also have the right to recover any such amount from any contracts concluded earlier with Buyer.

23. **USE OF UNDUE INFLUENCE / CORRUPT PRACTICES** (Applicable for Goods and Services) The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor undertakes that he has not used corrupt practices or used any undue influence which is not admissible as per Indian law to obtain contract/order or in doing any business with the purchaser.

If found that Bidder / Supplier / Contractor is involved in such wrong practices, then Purchaser is entitled to cancel the contract/s and all or any other contracts and then to recover from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor the amounts of any loss arising from such contracts' cancellation, including but not limited to imposition of penal damages, forfeiture of Performance security, encashment of the Bank Guarantee and refund of the amounts paid by the Purchaser.

24. **IMMUNITY OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CLAUSE**(Applicable for Goods and Services)

It is expressly understood and agreed by and between M/s. (Bidder / Supplier / Contractor) and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited, Dockyard Road, Mumbai - 400 010 (MDL) is entering into this Agreement solely on its own behalf and not on the behalf of any person or entity. In particular, it is expressly understood and agreed that the Government of India is not a party to this Agreement and has no liabilities, obligations or rights hereunder. It is expressly understood and agreed that MDL is an independent legal entity with power and authority to enter into contracts solely in its own behalf under the applicable of Laws of India and general principles of Contract Law. The (Bidder / Supplier / Contractor) expressly agrees, acknowledges and understands that MDL is not an agent, representative or delegate of the

Government of India. It is further understood and agreed that the Government of India is not and shall not be liable for any acts, omissions and commissions, breaches or other wrongs arising out of the contract. Accordingly, (Bidder / Supplier / Contractor) hereby expressly waives, releases and foregoes any and all actions or claims, including cross claims, impleader claims or counter claims against the Government of India arising out of this contract and covenants not to sue Government of India in any manner, claim, cause of action or thing whatsoever arising of or under this Agreement.

# 25. **EXPORT LICENCE** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

The export licenses that may be required for delivery of the various items/equipment to MDL shall be arranged by the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor from the concerned authorities in their country without any time and cost implications on the Purchaser.

26. **BANNED OR DE-LISTED CONTRACTORS / SUPPLIERS**(Applicable for Goods and Services)

The Bidder / Supplier / Contractor declares that they being Proprietors / Directors / Partners have not been any time individually or collectively blacklisted or banned or de-listed by any Government or quasi Government agencies or PSUs. If a bidder's entities as stated above have been blacklisted or banned or de-listed by any Government or quasi Government agencies or PSUs, this fact must be clearly stated and it may not necessarily be a cause for disqualifying him.

27. <u>DUTY OF PERSONNEL OF SUPPLIER/CONTRACTOR</u> (Applicable for Goods and Services)

MDL being a Defence Public Sector Undertaking, Bidder / Supplier / Contractor undertakes that their personnel deployed in connection with the entrusted work will not indulge in any activities other than the duties assigned to them.

- 28. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM AND ARBITRATION** (Applicable for Goods and Services)
  - (a) **Dispute resolution mechanism(DRM)** 
    - (i) Any dispute/differences between the parties arising out of and in connection with the contract shall be settled amicably by mutual negotiations at HoS/HoD level.
    - (ii) In case of non-settlement by (i) above, if at any time, before, during or after the contract period any unsettled claim, dispute or difference arose between the parties, upon or in relation to or in connection with or in any way touching or concerning this tender/agreement/order/contract, the same shall be referred to the concerned Functional Director.
      - The Functional Director shall then nominate an Executive of the rank of General Manager whom he thinks fit and competent or a Committee of Executives who/which shall then scrutinise the claims/disputes that have been referred to the concerned functional Director and make efforts for amicable settlements by mutual discussions/negotiations.
    - (iii) In case no amicable settlement is arrived by (ii) above within a period of three months, then the contractor shall approach Public Grievance Cell and address the disputes as per the provisions made under the relevant clause of the contract.
    - (iv) In case the issues/disputes do not get settled within a period of six months from the date of submission of the dispute to the Grievance Cell, then the contractor may invoke Arbitration Clause of the contract.

# (b) **Arbitration** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

Unresolved disputes/differences, if any, shall then be settled by Arbitration. The Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted at Mumbai, India, in English Language, under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended from time to time and the rules thereunder.

MDL prefers to have arbitration through Institutes such as Indian Council of Arbitration (ICA)/ICA-DR, Mumbai Centre for International Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) with the mutual consent of the parties.

In case of unresolved difference/dispute between the Purchaser and Supplier, being Central Public Sector Enterprises/Central Govt. departments, the disputes shall be resolved firstly through mutual discussion or through the empowered agencies of the Govt. or through arbitration by reference by either party to the department of Public Enterprises, as per extant guidelines. If disputes/differences remain unresolved/unexecuted, the same shall be referred first to the Cabinet Secretariat and then, if necessary to the PMO.

Any changes to arbitration clause must be vetted by HOD (Legal) before incorporation in contract/PO.

# 29. **JURISDICTION OF COURTS** (Applicable for Goods and Services)

All contracts shall be deemed to have been wholly made in Mumbai and all claims there under are payable in Mumbai City and it is the distinct condition of the order that no suit or action for the purpose of enforcing any claim in respect of the order shall be instituted in any Court other than that situated in Mumbai City, Maharashtra State, India i.e. courts in Mumbai shall alone have jurisdiction to decide upon any dispute arising out of or in respect of the contract.

# 30. CONTRACT LABOUR (REGULATION AND ABOLITION) ACT 1970(Applicable for Services)

Contractor / Bidder shall obtain licence under Section 12 and 13 of the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 and rules made there under and the same should be kept valid at least until the expiry of contract with Purchaser. The registration and Licence under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act 1970 shall be renewed in time every year and if work continues for more than a year, a copy of the Licence is produced as and when demanded by the concerned authorities of Purchaser.

The Contractor / Bidder shall carryout his obligations and duties under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 and the rules framed there under.

In the event any employee/s of Contractor / Bidder is advised by the concerned Department to deploy their employees for job during weekly-off, Sundays and holidays, the Contractor / Bidder must inform through Concerned Department the name/s of the employee/s in the prescribed format to CISF / Security and to the concerned Divisional Personnel by mentioning specifically 'Compensatory - Off', before 3 days from the date actual payment.

#### 31. **MINIMUM WAGES ACT** (Applicable for Services)

The Contractor / Bidder shall pay to his employees not less than the minimum wages and allowances applicable to the Engineering Industry as notified from time to time by the Central Government or the State Government whichever is higher under the Minimum Wages Act. Contractor / Bidder shall be responsible for timely payment of wages of all his employees engaged in the Purchaser's Yard, not less than the prescribed minimum wages in each case and without any deductions of any kind, except as specified by Government or permissible under the Payment of Wages Act.

The Contractor / Bidder must settle all the pending dues of the employees i.e. arrears of wages, proportionate leave wages, proportionate bonus payment, etc. Before winding up the site, the Contractor / Bidder shall pay all terminal dues to his employees such as Notice pay, Gratuity, Retrenchment compensation, etc.

# 32. **BONUS ACT** (Applicable for Services)

The Contractor / Bidder shall pay to his eligible employees a Statutory Bonus as per 'Payment of Bonus Act' at the rate prescribed by the Statutory Authorities from time to time.

# 33. **FACTORIES ACT** (Applicable for Services)

The Contractor / Bidder shall observe all applicable Rules and Regulations stipulated under Factories Act applicable to contract labour.

The Contractor / Bidder shall maintain a separate register prescribed under the Act and pay Privilege Leave wages to all eligible employees.

On completion of execution of the contract and before winding up, the Contractor / Bidder shall pay proportionate Privilege Leave wages to all eligible employees.

# 34. <u>EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUNDS AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS ACT,</u> <u>1952</u> (Applicable for Services)

The Contractor / Bidder, where applicable, shall cover his employees deployed in the Purchaser's Yard

- (a) under the Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Act. 1952.
- (b) under the Family Pension Scheme, and
- under the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme and pay the (c) contributions both in respect of his employees and his own. He shall submit all the necessary returns and other particulars periodically as prescribed under the said Act. Contractor / Bidder shall cover from the first day working all his contract labour on MDL jobs by filling requisite returns to concerned Statutory authorities and obtaining Code Numbers / Account Numbers. Contractor / Bidder shall remit employees' and employers' contributions directly to the concerned authorities along with Inspection and Administrative Charges as per relevant provisions of the concerned Acts and Schemes made there under within 15 days from the close of every month. The Contractor / Bidder must submit copies of P. F. dues payment challans, copy of Form No. 12 (A), copy of form No. 6 (A) (Annually) and copies of Muster Roll of their workmen every month to Corporate Personnel Department before renewal of passes for entry into the yard. The Contractor / Bidder must also attend to P. F. Inspections by concerned authorities and submit copy of the Inspection Report.

The Contractor / Bidder through his own P. F. code number shall fill in P. F. / Pension settlement forms of all the employees engaged in Purchaser's Yard, well in advance of last working day and forwards the said settlement forms to the respective P. F. Commissioner's office for settlement. Contractors who are yet to obtain PF code shall apply for Code no s to PF Commissioners Office and furnish copies of the same to Corporate Personnel Department. Purchaser shall recover PF dues from the contractors running bills till such time the PF Code no is obtained.

The Contractor / Bidder may contact Corporate Personnel Department for the purpose to seek any / all clarification / necessary advice for completion of procedural work such as filling labour challans, E. S. I., P. F. - declaration forms, covering their labour under Group Insurance Policy, etc. An Administrative charge @ Rs. 10/- per employee per month for such consultancy will be recovered from all the contractors from the bills of the respective contracts

#### 35. **EMPLOYEES' STATE INSURANCE ACT** (Applicable for Services)

The Contractor / Bidder should also cover all the eligible contract labourers working on MDL jobs, under the Employees' State Insurance Act and Scheme by furnishing necessary returns to appropriate authority and pay both employees' and employers' contributions in respect of these employees to the concerned authorities within 20 days from the close of every month. The contractor shall produce copy of R. D. F. duly acknowledged by ESI local office for confirmation that the workmen are covered under ESI Act and Scheme.

Contractor / Bidder should produce proof of such remittances to Corporate Personnel Department of MDL along with full details of contributions etc. within 25 days from the close of month. He shall also give an undertaking that he will not engage any one on our work who is not duly covered under the said Act and Scheme. The contract employees who are out of coverage of ESI Act and Scheme should be covered under Group Insurance Policy linked with workman compensation Act. Those Bidders / contractors do not have their ESI Code No.; they should submit documentary evidence of application for obtaining ESI Code no to Corporate Personnel Department.

#### 36. **SAFETY**(Applicable for Goods & Services)

The Contractor / Bidder must observe all safety precautions in connection with the work to be performed by him, his agents or labourers. In the event of any accident happening in our yard resulting in loss of lives or otherwise damaging any part of the property, the contractor shall be required to make good the loss to the Company and shall be responsible for all consequences that follow from the loss and / or injuries to the persons involved in such accidents. The standard of safety to be observed in the Company shall be decided by the Executive-in-Charge Safety, or any Executive appointed for the purpose before the commencement of work in the yard. It will be essential for contractor to ascertain the standard precautions which contractor is required to observe in discharging his work as per the standards prevalent in MDL. The decision of MDL in matters concerning Safety shall be final and binding on the contractor.

The Contractor / Bidder shall be required to provide his workmen with Boiler Suits of any suitable colour other than blue or white, with the Name of the Contractor in prominent letters on the boiler suits along with personal protection gears like safety shoes, hand gloves etc. workmen of the Contractor / Bidder must wear throughout their working while in the premises of MDL. Contractor's workmen working without safety gears are to be disallowed for work.

### 37. **POLICE VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES** (Applicable for Services)

Contractor / Bidder shall have to produce and submit to the Chief Security Executive of Purchaser, verification through Mumbai Police of Character and Antecedents of their employees / workers for while working on ships under construction in Purchaser's Yards, for working onboard ships under modernisation / refit / repairs at Mumbai ports / Naval Dockyard. Entry passes will not be issued in the absence of Police Verification Report and employees without Police Verification shall not be employed by them in Purchaser's Yard / Mumbai ports / Naval Dockyard and any lapse on the part of Contractor / Bidder shall be viewed seriously as per applicable laws of the land. Employment of any Foreign National during the contract period would be permitted with prior permission of Purchaser.

# 38. **FORCE MAJEURE**(Applicable for Goods and Services)

If at any time during the execution of the goods / service order, the performance in whole or in part by either Purchaser or and by the Bidder(s) / Supplier(s) /

Contractor(s) is / are delayed by any reason of force majeure situations such as acts of civil war, civil commotion, sabotage, hostilities, war, fires, explosions, epidemics, natural calamities like floods, earthquakes, volcanoes, storms, acts of God and laws of respective governments or any other causes beyond the control of either parties, hereinafter referred to as "events", provided notice of the occurrence of such event/s is / are communicated by either party, to the other party within 21 days from the date of occurrence thereof, neither party shall by reason such events be entitled to terminate the contract nor shall either party have any claim for damages against the other in respect of such non-performance and or delay in performance of the contract / order. Executions on either side shall be resumed as soon as practicable after such event has come to an end or ceased to exist and the decision of Purchaser as to whether activities can resume or not, shall be conclusive and final. Occurrence of the events to be certified by Chamber of Commerce / Indian High Commission or Embassies / Government in that Country.

The performance in whole or in part under the captioned tender / contract is prevented or delayed by reason of any such event for a period exceeding sixty days either party may at its option terminate the contract / further processing of the tender. The relative obligations of both the parties remain suspended during the actual period of force majeure.

The Purchaser may extend the delivery schedule as mutually agreed, on receipt of written communication from the Bidder / Supplier / Contractor regarding occurrence of 'Force Majeure' conditions, but not exceeding six months from the scheduled delivery date. If the 'Force Majeure' conditions extend beyond this period, the Purchaser shall have the right to cancel the order without any financial implication to the Purchaser or on terms mutually agreed to.