

**STANDARD FORM OF CONTRACT**

# **Consultants' Services**

**Time-Based Assignment**

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**CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANTS' SERVICES**  
**Complex Time-Based Assignment**

between

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bihar Urban Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (BUIDCo)

and

\_\_\_\_\_

Dated:



This CONTRACT (hereinafter called the “Contract”) is made the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the month of *Septemer, 2014*, between, on the one hand, ***Bihar Urban Infrastructure Corporation Ltd.*** (hereinafter called the “Client”) and, on the other hand, .....(hereinafter called the “Consultants”).

**WHEREAS**

- (a) the Client has requested the Consultants to provide certain consulting services as defined in the General Conditions of Contract attached to this Contract (hereinafter called the “Services”);
- (b) the Consultants, having represented to the Client that they have the required professional skills, and personnel and technical resources, have agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The following documents attached hereto shall be deemed to form an integral part of this Contract:
  - (a) The General Conditions of Contract;
  - (b) The Special Conditions of Contract;
  - (c) The following Appendices:
    - Appendix A: Description of the Services \_\_\_\_\_
    - Appendix B: Reporting Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Appendix C: Key Personnel and Subconsultants		
Appendix D: Medical Certificate	<u>NOT</u>	<u>USED</u>
Appendix E: Hours of Work for Key Personnel	<u>NOT</u>	<u>USED</u>
Appendix F: Duties of the Client	NOT	USED
Appendix G: Cost Estimates in Foreign Currency	NOT	USED
Appendix H: Cost Estimates in Local Currency	NOT	USED
Appendix I: Form of Guarantee for Advance Payments	NOT	USED

2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Client and the Consultants shall be as set forth in the Contract, in particular:
- (a) the Consultants shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and
  - (b) the Client shall make payments to the Consultants in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

Representative from BUIDCo          (Signature) Name: Designation	Witness 1 for BUIDCo          (Signature) Name: Designation	Witness 2 for BUIDCo          (Signature) Name: Designation
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## II. General Conditions of Contract

### 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1.1 Definitions

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:

- (a) “Applicable Law” means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Government’s country (or in such other country as may be specified in the Special Conditions of Contract [SC]), as they may be issued and in force from time to time;
- (b) Deleted  
**or**
- (b) Deleted
- (c) “Contract” means the Contract signed by the Parties, to which these General Conditions of Contract (GC) are attached, together with all the documents listed in Clause 1 of such signed Contract;
- (d) “Effective Date” means the date on which this Contract comes into force and effect pursuant to Clause GC 2.1;
- (e) “Foreign Currency” means any currency other than the currency of the Government;
- (f) “GC” means these General Conditions of Contract;
- (g) “Government” means the Government of the Client’s country;
- (h) “Local Currency” means the currency of the Government;
- (i) “Party” means the Client or the Consultants, as the case may be, and “Parties” means both of them;
- (j) Deleted
- (k) “Personnel” means persons hired by the Consultants or by any Subconsultant as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof; “Foreign Personnel” means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile outside the Government’s country; “Local Personnel” means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile inside the Government’s country; and “Key Personnel” means the Personnel referred to in Clause GC 4.2(a);

- (l) “SC” means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GC may be amended or supplemented;
- (m) “Services” means the work to be performed by the Consultants pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix A hereto;
- (n) Deleted
- (o) Deleted

- 1.2 Relation between the Parties** Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relation of master and servant or of principal and agent as between the Client and the Consultants. The Consultants, subject to this Contract, have complete charge of Personnel and Subconsultants, if any, performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.
- 1.3 Law Governing Contract** This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Applicable Law.
- 1.4 Language** This Contract has been executed in the language specified in the SC, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.
- 1.5 Headings** The headings shall not limit, alter or affect the meaning of this Contract.
- 1.6 Notices**
- 1.6.1 Any notice, request or consent required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing. Any such notice, request or consent shall be deemed to have been given or made when delivered in person to an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent by electronic mail
  - 1.6.2 Notice will be deemed to be effective as specified in the SC.
  - 1.6.3 A Party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party notice of such change pursuant to the provisions listed in the SC with respect to Clause GC 1.6.2.
- 1.7 Location** The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in Appendix A hereto and, where the location of a particular task is not so specified, at such locations, whether in

the Government's country or elsewhere, as the Client may approve.

- 1.8 Authority of Member in Charge** Deleted
- 1.9 Authorized Representatives** Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Contract by the Client or the Consultants may be taken or executed by the officials specified in the SC.
- 1.10 Taxes and Duties** Unless otherwise specified in the SC, the Consultants, and Personnel shall pay such taxes, duties, fees and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Law.

## **2. COMMENCEMENT, COMPLETION, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

- 2.1 Effectiveness of Contract** This Contract shall come into force and effect on the date (the "Effective Date") of the Client's notice to the Consultants instructing the Consultants to begin carrying out the Services. This notice shall confirm that the effectiveness conditions, if any, listed in the SC have been met.
- 2.2 Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective** If this Contract has not become effective within such time period after the date of the Contract signed by the Parties as shall be specified in the SC, either Party may, by not less than four (4) weeks' written notice to the other Party, declare this Contract to be null and void, and in the event of such a declaration by either Party, neither Party shall have any claim against the other Party with respect hereto.
- 2.3 Commencement of Services** The Consultants shall begin carrying out the Services at the end of such time period after the Effective Date as shall be specified in the SC.
- 2.4 Expiration of Contract** Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clause GC 2.9 hereof, this Contract shall terminate at the end of such time period after the Effective Date as shall be specified in the SC.
- 2.5 Entire Agreement** This Contract contains all covenants, stipulations and provisions agreed by the Parties. No agent or representative of either Party has authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not set forth herein.
- 2.6 Modification** Modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract,

including any modification of the scope of the Services, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties and. Pursuant to Clause GC 7.2 hereof, however, each Party shall give due consideration to any proposals for modification made by the other Party.

## **2.7 Force Majeure**

### **2.7.1 Definition**

- (a) For the purposes of this Contract, “Force Majeure” means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, and which makes a Party’s performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered impossible in the circumstances, and includes, but is not limited to, war, riots, civil disorder, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or other adverse weather conditions, strikes, lockouts or other industrial action (except where such strikes, lockouts or other industrial action are within the power of the Party invoking Force Majeure to prevent), confiscation or any other action by government agencies.
- (b) Force Majeure shall not include (i) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or such Party’s Subconsultants or agents or employees, nor (ii) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both (A) take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Contract and (B) avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder.
- (c) Force Majeure shall not include insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder.

- 2.7.2 No Breach of Contract** The failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- 2.7.3 Measures to be Taken**
- (a) A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall take all reasonable measures to remove such Party's inability to fulfill its obligations hereunder with a minimum of delay.
  - (b) A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any event not later than fourteen (14) days following the occurrence of such event, providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible.
  - (c) The Parties shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the consequences of any event of Force Majeure.
- 2.7.4 Extension of Time** Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a result of Force Majeure.
- 2.7.5 Payments** During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Consultants shall be entitled to continue to be paid under the terms of this Contract as well as to be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by them during such period for the purposes of the Services and in reactivating the Services after the end of such period.
- 2.7.6 Consultation** Not later than thirty (30) days after the Consultants, as the result of an event of Force Majeure, have become unable to perform a material portion of the Services, the Parties shall consult with each other with a view to agreeing on appropriate measures to be taken in the circumstances.
- 2.8 Suspension** The Client may, by written notice of suspension to the Consultants, suspend all payments to the Consultants hereunder if the Consultants fail to perform any of their obligations under this Contract, including the carrying out of the Services, provided that such notice of suspension (i) shall specify the nature of the failure, and (ii) shall request the

Consultants to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultants of such notice of suspension.

## **2.9 Termination**

### **2.9.1 By the Client**

The Client may, by not less than thirty (30) days' written notice of termination to the Consultants (except in the event listed in paragraph (f) below, for which there shall be a written notice of not less than sixty (60) days), such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (g) of this Clause GC 2.9.1, terminate this Contract:

- (a) if the Consultants fail to remedy a failure in the performance of their obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension pursuant to Clause 2.8 hereinabove, within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice of suspension or within such further period as the Client may have subsequently approved in writing;
- (b) if the Consultants become (or, if the Consultants consist of more than one entity, if any of their Members becomes) insolvent or bankrupt or enter into any agreements with their creditors for relief of debt or take advantage of any law for the benefit of debtors or go into liquidation or receivership whether compulsory or voluntary;
- (c) if the Consultants fail to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to Clause GC 8 hereof;
- (d) if the Consultants submit to the Client a statement which has a material effect on the rights, obligations or interests of the Client and which the Consultants know to be false;
- (e) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultants are unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (f) if the Client, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate this Contract.
- (g) if the Consultant, in the judgment of the Client, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract. For the purpose of this clause:

“corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in contract execution.

“fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a selection process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Borrower, and includes collusive practice among consultants (prior to or after submission of proposals) designed to establish prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the Borrower of the benefits of free and open competition.

**2.9.2 By the Consultants**

The Consultants may, by not less than thirty (30) days’ written notice to the Client, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Clause GC 2.9.2, terminate this Contract:

- (a) if the Client fails to pay any money due to the Consultants pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause GC 8 hereof within forty-five (45) days after receiving written notice from the Consultants that such payment is overdue;
- (b) if the Client is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to this Contract and has not remedied the same within forty-five (45) days (or such longer period as the Consultants may have subsequently approved in writing) following the receipt by the Client of the Consultants’ notice specifying such breach;
- (c) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultants are unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (d) if the Client fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to Clause GC 8 hereof.

**2.9.3 Cessation of Rights and Obligations**

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses GC 2.2 or GC 2.9 hereof, or upon expiration of this Contract pursuant to Clause GC 2.4 hereof, all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall cease, except (i) such rights and obligations as may have accrued on the date of termination or expiration, (ii) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in Clause GC 3.3 hereof, (iii) the Consultants’ obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in Clause GC 3.6(ii) hereof, and (iv) any right which a Party may have under the Applicable Law.

- 2.9.4 Cessation of Services** Upon termination of this Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to Clauses GC 2.9.1 or GC 2.9.2 hereof, the Consultants shall, immediately upon dispatch or receipt of such notice, take all necessary steps to bring the Services to a close in a prompt and orderly manner and shall make every reasonable effort to keep expenditures for this purpose to a minimum. With respect to documents prepared by the Consultants and equipment and materials furnished by the Client, the Consultants shall proceed as provided, respectively, by Clauses GC 3.9 or GC 3.10 hereof.
- 2.9.5 Payment upon Termination** Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses GC 2.9.1 or GC 2.9.2 hereof, the Client shall make the following payments to the Consultants:
- (a) remuneration pursuant to Clause GC 6 hereof for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination;
  - (b) Deleted
  - (c) Deleted
- 2.9.6 Disputes about Events of Termination** If either Party disputes whether an event specified in paragraphs (a) through (e) of Clause GC 2.9.1 or in Clause GC 2.9.2 hereof has occurred, such Party may, within forty-five (45) days after receipt of notice of termination from the other Party, refer the matter to arbitration pursuant to Clause GC 8 hereof, and this Contract shall not be terminated on account of such event except in accordance with the terms of any resulting arbitral award.

### 3. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANTS

#### 3.1 General

- 3.1.1 Standard of Performance** The Consultants shall perform the Services and carry out their obligations hereunder with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods. The Consultants shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as faithful advisers to the Client, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Client's legitimate interests in any dealings with Parties.



**3.1.2 Law****Governing  
Services**

The Consultants shall perform the Services in accordance with the Applicable Law and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any Subconsultants, as well as the Personnel of the Consultants and any Subconsultants, comply with the Applicable Law. The Client shall notify the Consultants in writing of relevant local customs, and the Consultants shall, after such notification, respect such customs.

**3.2 Conflict of  
Interests****3.2.1 Consultants  
Not to  
Benefit from  
Commissions,  
Discounts, etc.**

The remuneration of the Consultants pursuant to Clause GC 6 hereof shall constitute the Consultants' sole remuneration in connection with this Contract or the Services and, subject to Clause GC 3.2.2 hereof, the Consultants shall not accept for their own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or to the Services or in the discharge of their obligations hereunder, and the Consultants shall use their best efforts to ensure that any Personnel and agents of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

**3.2.2 Procurement  
Rules of  
Funding  
Agencies**

If the Consultants, as part of the Services, have the responsibility of advising the Client on the procurement of goods, works or services, the Consultants shall comply with any applicable procurement guidelines of the Bank or of the Association, as the case may be, and other funding agencies and shall at all times exercise such responsibility in the best interest of the Client. Any discounts or commissions obtained by the Consultants in the exercise of such procurement responsibility shall be for the account of the Client.

**3.2.3 Consultants  
and Affiliates  
Not to Engage  
in Certain  
Activities**

The Consultants agree that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultants and any entity affiliated with the Consultants, as well as any Subconsultant and any entity affiliated with such Subconsultant, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works or services (other than the Services and any continuation thereof) for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services.

- 3.2.4 Prohibition of Conflicting Activities** The Consultants shall not engage, and shall cause their Personnel as well as their Subconsultants and their Personnel not to engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:
- (a) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities in the Government's country which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract; and
  - (b) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be specified in the SC.
- 3.3 Confidentiality** The Consultants, their Subconsultants and the Personnel of either of them shall not, either during the term or within two (2) years after the expiration of this Contract, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the Services, this Contract or the Client's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Client.
- 3.4 Liability of the Consultants** Subject to additional provisions, if any, set forth in the SC, the Consultants' liability under this Contract shall be as provided by the Applicable Law.
- 3.5 Insurance to be Taken Out by the Consultants** The Consultants (i) shall take out and maintain, and shall cause any Subconsultants to take out and maintain, at their (or the Subconsultants', as the case may be) own cost but on terms and conditions approved by the Client, insurance against the risks, and for the coverages, as shall be specified in the SC, and (ii) at the Client's request, shall provide evidence to the Client showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained and that the current premiums therefor have been paid.
- 3.6 Accounting, Inspection and Auditing** The Consultants (i) shall keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services hereunder, in accordance with internationally accepted accounting principles and in such form and detail as will clearly identify all relevant time changes and costs, and the bases thereof (including such bases as may be specifically referred to in the SC), and (ii) shall permit the Client or its designated representative periodically, and up to one year from the expiration or termination of this Contract, to inspect the same and make copies thereof as well as to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Client

- 3.7 Consultants' Actions Requiring Client's Prior Approval** The Consultants shall obtain the Client's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:
- (a) appointing such members of the Personnel as are listed in Appendix C merely by title but not by name;
  - (b) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services, it being understood (i) that the selection of the Subconsultant and the terms and conditions of the subcontract shall have been approved in writing by the Client prior to the execution of the subcontract, and (ii) that the Consultants shall remain fully liable for the performance of the Services by the Subconsultant and its Personnel pursuant to this Contract;
  - (c) any other action that may be specified in the SC.
- 3.8 Reporting Obligations** The Consultants shall submit to the Client the reports and documents specified in Appendix B hereto, in the form, in the numbers and within the time periods set forth in the said Appendix.
- 3.9 Documents Prepared by the Consultants to be the Property of the Client** All plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, other documents and software prepared by the Consultants for the Client under this Contract shall become and remain the property of the Client, and the Consultants shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents to the Client, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultants may retain a copy of such documents and software. Restrictions about the future use of these documents and software, if any, shall be specified in the SC.
- 3.10 Equipment and Materials Furnished by the Client** Equipment and materials made available to the Consultants by the Client, or purchased by the Consultants with funds provided by the Client, shall be the property of the Client and shall be marked accordingly. Upon termination or expiration of this Contract, the Consultants shall make available to the Client an inventory of such equipment and materials and shall dispose of such equipment and materials in accordance with the Client's instructions. While in possession of such equipment and materials, the Consultants, unless otherwise instructed by the Client in writing, shall insure them at the expense of the Client in an amount equal to their full replacement value.

#### 4. CONSULTANTS' PERSONNEL AND SUBCONSULTANTS

- 4.1 General** The Consultants shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Personnel and Subconsultants as are required to carry out the Services.
- 4.2 Description of Personnel**
- (a) The title, agreed job description, minimum qualification and estimated period of engagement in the carrying out of the Services of each of the Consultants' Key Personnel are described in Appendix C. If any of the Key Personnel has already been approved by the Client, his/her name is listed as well.
  - (b) If required to comply with the provisions of Clause GC 3.1.1 hereof, adjustments with respect to the estimated periods of engagement of Key Personnel set forth in Appendix C may be made by the Consultants by written notice to the Client, provided (i) that such adjustments shall not alter the originally estimated period of engagement of any individual by more than 10% or one week, whichever is larger, and (ii) that the aggregate of such adjustments shall not cause payments under this Contract to exceed the ceilings set forth in Clause GC 6.1(b) of this Contract. Any other such adjustments shall only be made with the Client's written approval.
  - (c) If additional work is required beyond the scope of the Services specified in Appendix A, the estimated periods of engagement of Key Personnel set forth in Appendix C may be increased by agreement in writing between the Client and the Consultants, provided that any such increase shall not, except as otherwise agreed in writing, cause payments under this Contract to exceed the ceilings set forth in Clause GC 6.1(b) of this Contract.
- 4.3 Approval of Personnel** The Key Personnel and Subconsultants listed by title as well as by name in Appendix C are hereby approved by the Client. In respect of other Key Personnel which the Consultants propose to use in the carrying out of the Services, the Consultants shall submit to the Client for review and approval a copy of their biographical data and (in the case of Key Personnel to be used within the country of the Government) a copy of a satisfactory medical certificate in the form attached hereto as Appendix D. If the Client does not object in writing (stating the reasons for the objection) within twenty-one (21) calendar days from the date of receipt of such biographical data and (if applicable) such certificate, such Key Personnel shall be deemed to have been approved by the Client.

- 4.4 Working Hours, Overtime, Leave, etc.**
- (a) Working hours and holidays for Key Personnel are set forth in Appendix E hereto. To account for travel time, foreign Personnel carrying out Services inside the Government's country shall be deemed to have commenced (or finished) work in respect of the Services such number of days before their arrival in (or after their departure from) the Government's country as is specified in Appendix E hereto.
  - (b) The Key Personnel shall not be entitled to be paid for overtime nor to take paid sick leave or vacation leave except as specified in Appendix E hereto, and except as specified in such Appendix, the Consultants' remuneration shall be deemed to cover these items. All leave to be allowed to the Personnel is included in the staff-months of service set forth in Appendix C. Any taking of leave by Personnel shall be subject to the prior approval by the Consultants who shall ensure that absence for leave purposes will not delay the progress and adequate supervision of the Services.
- 4.5 Removal and/or Replacement of Personnel**
- (a) Except as the Client may otherwise agree, no changes shall be made in the Key Personnel. If, for any reason beyond the reasonable control of the Consultants, it becomes necessary to replace any of the Personnel, the Consultants shall forthwith provide as a replacement a person of equivalent or better qualifications. Also, the total replacement cannot be more than 10%
  - (b) If the Client (i) finds that any of the Personnel has committed serious misconduct or has been charged with having committed a criminal action, or (ii) has reasonable cause to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the Personnel, then the Consultants shall, at the Client's written request specifying the grounds therefor, forthwith provide as a replacement a person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the Client.
  - (c) Any of the Personnel provided as a replacement under Clauses (a) and (b) above, the rate of remuneration applicable to such person as well as any reimbursable expenditures (including expenditures due to the number of eligible dependents) the Consultants may wish to claim as a result of such replacement, shall be subject to the prior written approval by the Client. Except as the Client may otherwise agree, (i) the Consultants shall bear all additional travel and other costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement, and (ii) the remuneration to be paid for any of the Personnel provided as a replacement shall not exceed the remuneration which would have been

payable to the Personnel replaced.

**4.6 Resident Project Manager**

If required by the SC, the Consultants shall ensure that at all times during the Consultants' performance of the Services in the Government's country a resident project manager, acceptable to the Client, shall take charge of the performance of such Services.

**5. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CLIENT**

**5.1 Assistance and Exemptions**

Unless otherwise specified in the SC, the Client shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Government shall:

- (a) provide the Consultants, Subconsultants and Personnel with work permits and such other documents as shall be necessary to enable the Consultants, Subconsultants or Personnel to perform the Services;
- (b) arrange for the Personnel and, if appropriate, their eligible dependents to be provided promptly with all necessary entry and exit visas, residence permits, exchange permits and any other documents required for their stay in the Government's country;
- (c) facilitate prompt clearance through customs of any property required for the Services and of the personal effects of the Personnel and their eligible dependents;
- (d) issue to officials, agents and representatives of the Government all such instructions as may be necessary or appropriate for the prompt and effective implementation of the Services;
- (e) exempt the Consultants and the Personnel and any Subconsultants employed by the Consultants for the Services from any requirement to register or obtain any permit to practice their profession or to establish themselves either individually or as a corporate entity according to the Applicable Law;
- (f) grant to the Consultants, any Subconsultant and the Personnel of either of them the privilege, pursuant to the Applicable Law, of bringing into the Government's country reasonable amounts of foreign currency for the purposes of the Services or for the personal use of the Personnel and their dependents and of withdrawing any such amounts as may be earned therein by the Personnel in the execution of the Services; and

- (g) provide to the Consultants, Subconsultants and Personnel any such other assistance as may be specified in the SC.

## **5.2 Access to Land**

The Client warrants that the Consultants shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to all land in the Government's country in respect of which access is required for the performance of the Services. The Client will be responsible for any damage to such land or any property thereon resulting from such access and will indemnify the Consultants and each of the Personnel in respect of liability for any such damage, unless such damage is caused by the default or negligence of the Consultants or any Subconsultant or the Personnel of either of them.

## **5.3 Change in the Applicable Law**

If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the Applicable Law with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost incurred by the Consultants in performing the Services, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Consultants under this Contract shall be increased or decreased accordingly by agreement between the Parties hereto, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the ceiling amounts specified in Clause GC 6.1(b).

## **5.4 Services, Facilities and Property of the Client**

The Client shall make available to the Consultants and the Personnel, for the purposes of the Services and free of any charge, the services, facilities and property described in Appendix F at the times and in the manner specified in said Appendix F, provided that if such services, facilities and property shall not be made available to the Consultants as and when so specified, the Parties shall agree on (i) any time extension that it may be appropriate to grant to the Consultants for the performance of the Services, (ii) the manner in which the Consultants shall procure any such services, facilities and property from other sources, and (iii) the additional payments, if any, to be made to the Consultants as a result thereof pursuant to Clause GC 6.1(c) hereinafter.

## **5.5 Payment**

In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultants under this Contract, the Client shall make to the Consultants such payments and in such manner as is provided by Clause GC 6 of this Contract.

## **5.6 Counterpart Personnel**

- (a) If so provided in Appendix F hereto, the Client shall make available to the Consultants, as and when provided in such Appendix F, and free of charge, such counterpart personnel to be selected by the Client, with the Consultants' advice, as shall be specified in such Appendix F. Counterpart personnel shall work under the

exclusive direction of the Consultants. If any member of the counterpart personnel fails to perform adequately any work assigned to such member by the Consultants which is consistent with the position occupied by such member, the Consultants may request the replacement of such member, and the Client shall not unreasonably refuse to act upon such request.

- (b) If counterpart personnel are not provided by the Client to the Consultants as and when specified in Appendix F, the Client and the Consultants shall agree on (i) how the affected part of the Services shall be carried out, and (ii) the additional payments, if any, to be made by the Client to the Consultants as a result thereof pursuant to Clause GC 6.1(c) hereof.

## **6. PAYMENTS TO THE CONSULTANTS**

### **6.1 Cost Estimates; Ceiling Amount**

- (a) An estimate of the cost of the Services payable in foreign currency is set forth in Appendix G. An estimate of the cost of the Services payable in local currency is set forth in Appendix H.
- (b) Except as may be otherwise agreed under Clause GC 2.6 and subject to Clause GC 6.1(c), payments under this Contract shall not exceed the ceilings in foreign currency and in local currency specified in the SC. The Consultants shall notify the Client as soon as cumulative charges incurred for the Services have reached 80% of either of these ceilings.
- (c) Notwithstanding Clause GC 6.1(b) hereof, if pursuant to any of the Clauses GC 5.3, 5.4 or 5.6 hereof, the Parties shall agree that additional payments in local and/or foreign currency, as the case may be, shall be made to the Consultants in order to cover any necessary additional expenditures not envisaged in the cost estimates referred to in Clause GC 6.1(a) above, the ceiling or ceilings, as the case may be, set forth in Clause GC 6.1(b) above shall be increased by the amount or amounts, as the case may be, of any such additional payments.

### **6.2 Remuneration and Reimbursable Expenditures**

- (a) Subject to the ceilings specified in Clause GC 6.1(b) hereof, the Client shall pay to the Consultants (i) remuneration as set forth in Clause GC 6.2(b), and (ii) reimbursable expenditures as set forth in Clause GC 6.2(c). If specified in the SC, said remuneration shall be subject to price adjustment as specified in the SC.



- (b) Remuneration for the Personnel shall be determined on the basis of time actually spent by such Personnel in the performance of the Services after the date determined in accordance with Clause GC 2.3 and Clause SC 2.3 (or such other date as the Parties shall agree in writing) (including time for necessary travel via the most direct route) at the rates referred to, and subject to such additional provisions as are set forth, in the SC.
- (c) Reimbursable expenditures actually and reasonably incurred by the Consultants in the performance of the Services, as specified in Clause SC 6.3(b).

### **6.3 Currency of Payment**

- (a) Foreign currency payments shall be made in the currency or currencies specified as foreign currency or currencies in the SC, and local currency payments shall be made in the currency of the Government.
- (b) The SC shall specify which items of remuneration and reimbursable expenditures shall be paid, respectively, in foreign and in local currency.

### **6.4 Mode of Billing and Payment**

Billings and payments in respect of the Services shall be made as follows:

- (a) The Client shall cause to be paid to the Consultants an advance payment as specified in the SC, and as otherwise set forth below. The advance payment will be due after provision by the Consultants to the Client of a bank guarantee by a bank acceptable to the Client in an amount (or amounts) and in a currency (or currencies) specified in the SC, such bank guarantee (i) to remain effective until the advance payment has been fully set off as provided in the SC, and (ii) to be in the form set forth in Appendix I hereto or in such other form as the Client shall have approved in writing.
- (b) As soon as practicable and not later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each calendar month during the period of the Services, the Consultants shall submit to the Client, in duplicate, itemized statements, accompanied by copies of receipted invoices, vouchers and other appropriate supporting materials, of the amounts payable pursuant to Clauses GC 6.3 and 6.4 for such month. Separate monthly statements shall be submitted in respect of amounts payable in foreign currency and in local currency. Each such separate monthly statement shall distinguish that portion of the total eligible costs which pertains to remuneration from

that portion which pertains to reimbursable expenditures.

- (c) The Client shall cause the payment of the Consultants' monthly statements within sixty (60) days after the receipt by the Client of such statements with supporting documents. Only such portion of a monthly statement that is not satisfactorily supported may be withheld from payment. Should any discrepancy be found to exist between actual payment and costs authorized to be incurred by the Consultants, the Client may add or subtract the difference from any subsequent payments. Interest at the annual rate specified in the SC shall become payable as from the above due date on any amount due by, but not paid on, such due date.
- (d) The final payment under this Clause shall be made only after the final report and a final statement, identified as such, shall have been submitted by the Consultants and approved as satisfactory by the Client. The Services shall be deemed completed and finally accepted by the Client and the final report and final statement shall be deemed approved by the Client as satisfactory ninety (90) calendar days after receipt of the final report and final statement by the Client unless the Client, within such ninety (90)-day period, gives written notice to the Consultants specifying in detail deficiencies in the Services, the final report or final statement. The Consultants shall thereupon promptly make any necessary corrections, and upon completion of such corrections, the foregoing process shall be repeated. Any amount which the Client has paid or caused to be paid in accordance with this Clause in excess of the amounts actually payable in accordance with the provisions of this Contract shall be reimbursed by the Consultants to the Client within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultants of notice thereof. Any such claim by the Client for reimbursement must be made within twelve (12) calendar months after receipt by the Client of a final report and a final statement approved by the Client in accordance with the above.
- (e) All payments under this Contract shall be made to the accounts of the Consultants specified in the SC.

## **7. FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH**

### **7.1 Good Faith**

The Parties undertake to act in good faith with respect to each other's rights under this Contract and to adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this

Contract.

**7.2 Operation of the Contract**

The Parties recognize that it is impractical in this Contract to provide for every contingency which may arise during the life of the Contract, and the Parties hereby agree that it is their intention that this Contract shall operate fairly as between them, and without detriment to the interest of either of them, and that, if during the term of this Contract either Party believes that this Contract is operating unfairly, the Parties will use their best efforts to agree on such action as may be necessary to remove the cause or causes of such unfairness, but no failure to agree on any action pursuant to this Clause shall give rise to a dispute subject to arbitration in accordance with Clause GC 8 hereof.

**8. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

**8.1 Amicable Settlement**

The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Contract or the interpretation thereof.

**8.2 Dispute Settlement**

Any dispute between the Parties as to matters arising pursuant to this Contract which cannot be settled amicably within thirty (30) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement may be submitted by either Party for settlement in accordance with the provisions specified in the SC.

### III. Special Conditions of Contract

Number of GC Clause <sup>2</sup>	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
[1.1(a)]	The words “in the Government’s country” are amended to read “inIndia.”
1.4	The language is <i>English</i>
1.6.1	<p>The addresses are:</p> <p>Client: <b>Bihar Urban Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (BUIDCO)</b>            Attention: <u>Chief General Manager, BUIDCO</u>            Cable address: <b><u>BUIDCO, Room No. 303, Maurya Tower, Mauryalok Complex, Budh Marg Patna- 800001, Bihar, India, Tel.: +91-612-2210101-02, Fax: +91-612-2210103</u></b></p>
	<p>Consultants:            Attention:            Cable address:            Telex:            Facsimile:</p>
1.6.2	Notices through electronic mail
1.8	The Member in Charge :
1.9	<p>The Authorized Representatives are:</p> <p>For the Client:</p> <p>For the Consultants:</p>
[1.10]	BUIDCO shall reimburse only service tax. Consultant has to assess all other taxes and should inbuilt them in their financial proposal. These taxes (other than service tax) should not be provided separately. Consultants are requested to consult Tax Consultants for details.
[2.1]	The effectiveness conditions are the following:

<sup>2</sup> Clauses in brackets are optional; all notes should be deleted in final text.

*The Consultant will need to submit a performance guarantee in the desired format of 10% of contract value before entering into agreement with six month validity beyond the contract end date. The PBG will be en-cashed if the consultant failed to perform the contract to the sole satisfaction of Bodice and without any liability of the prior intimation to the consultant.  
The format will be issued at the time of LoA.*

2.2 The time period shall be 30 days such or other time period as the parties may agree in writing.

2.3 The time period shall be 7 days or such other time period as the parties may agree in writing.

2.4 The time period shall be 28 months from the commencement date or such other time period as the parties may agree in writing.

[3.2.4(b) For a period of six months after the expiration of this Contract, the Consultants shall not engage, and shall cause their Personnel as well as their Sub consultants and their Personnel not to engage, in the activity of a purchaser (directly or indirectly) of the assets on which they advised the Client under this Contract nor in the activity of an adviser (directly or indirectly) of potential purchasers of such assets. The Consultants also agree that their affiliates shall be disqualified for the same period of time from engaging in the said activities.

### [3.4] **3.4 Limitation of the Consultants' Liability towards the Client**

- (a) Except in case of gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Consultants or on the part of any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultants in carrying out the Services, the Consultants, with respect to damage caused by the Consultants to the Client's property, shall not be liable to the Client:
  - (i) for any indirect or consequential loss or damage; and
  - (ii) for any direct loss or damage that exceeds (A) the total payments for professional fees and reimbursable expenditures made or expected to be made to the Consultants hereunder, or (B) the proceeds the Consultants may be entitled to receive from any insurance maintained by the Consultants to cover such a liability, whichever of (A) or (B) is higher.
- (b) This limitation of liability shall not affect the Consultants' liability, if any, for damage to Third Parties caused by the

Consultants or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultants in carrying out the Services.”

- 3.5** The risks and the coverages shall be as follows:
- (a) employer’s liability and workers’ compensation insurance in respect of the Personnel of the Consultants and of any Subconsultant, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Applicable Law, as well as, with respect to such Personnel, any such life, health, accident, travel or other insurance as may be appropriate; and
  - (b) insurance against loss of or damage to (i) equipment purchased in whole or in part with funds provided under this Contract, (ii) the Consultants’ property used in the performance of the Services, and (iii) any documents prepared by the Consultants in the performance of the Services.
- [3.6]** N.R
- [3.7(c)]** N.A
- [3.9]** The Consultants shall not use these documents for purposes unrelated to this Contract without the prior written approval of the Client
- [4.6]** The person designated as Team Leader in Appendix C shall serve in that capacity, as specified in Clause GC 4.6
- [5.1]** N.A
- 6.1(a), (b), (c)** N.A
- [6.2]** *The payment to the consultant shall be made based on attendance sheet duly verified by Project Director of each personnel mobilized by the consultant. There shall be no reimbursable expenditure.*
- 6.3(a)** The foreign currency [currencies] shall be the following:  
NA
- 6.3(b)(i)** NA
- 6.3(b)(ii)** NA
- 6.3(b)(iii)** NA

**6.4(a)** The following provisions shall apply to the advance payment and the advance payment guarantee:

(1) No Advance Payment shall be paid

(2) NA

**6.4(c)** The interest rate is: NA

**6.4(e)** The accounts are: NA

**8.2** Disputes shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the following provisions:

Any dispute between the parties as to matters arising pursuant to this contract which cannot be settled amicably within (30) days after receipt by one party of the other party's request for such amicable settlement may be submitted by either party for settlement. If the dispute(s) is not resolved amicably then it shall be referred to arbitration and shall be dealt as per the provisions of the arbitration & conciliation Act 1996. The Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996 and the rules made there under and any statutory modification or re-enactments thereof, shall apply to the arbitration proceedings. The venue of the arbitration shall be Patna Bihar. Pending the submission of and/or decision on a dispute, difference or claim or until the arbitral award is published the consultant shall continue to perform all its obligations under agreement without prejudice of final adjustment in accordance with such award.

## APPENDICES

### APPENDIX A—DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES

*Give detailed descriptions of the Services to be provided, dates for completion of various tasks, place of performance for different tasks, specific tasks to be approved by Client, etc.*

**Please mention different tasks which shall be performed. A table may be created listing the services to be performed, corresponding place, and corresponding approvals (if any)**

**The whole idea is for you to come prepared with the vision for smooth flow of work.**

### APPENDIX B—REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

*List format, frequency, and contents of reports; persons to receive them; dates of submission; etc. If no reports are to be submitted, state here “Not applicable.”*

**Daily progress reports, Monthly progress reports etc. shall be submitted by the consultant. To provide the formats, frequency of reporting, with an example highlighting the real issues in implementation. Additional information shall be appreciable.**

### APPENDIX C—KEY PERSONNEL

- List under:*
- C-1 *Titles [and names, if already available], detailed job descriptions and minimum qualifications of Key foreign Personnel to be assigned to work in the Government’s country, and staff-months for each.*
  - C-2 *Same information as C-1 for Key local Personnel. **Included as Annexure.***
  - C-4 *Same as C-1 for Key Personnel to be assigned to work outside the Government’s country.*



**APPENDIX D—MEDICAL CERTIFICATE**

*“Not applicable.”*

**APPENDIX E—HOURS OF WORK FOR KEY PERSONNEL**

*“Not applicable.”*

**APPENDIX F—DUTIES OF THE CLIENT**

*“Not applicable.”*