

**SCHEDULE S 2**

***(See Clause 2.1.3)***

**PREPARATION OF  
OUTDOOR ADVERTISEMENT MASTER PLAN  
FOR  
BATHINDA CITY**

## AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT (hereinafter called the "Agreement") is made on the \_\_\_\_ day of the month of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013, between, on the one hand, the Municipal Corporation of Bathinda (hereinafter called the "**Authority**" which expression shall include their respective successors and permitted assigns, unless the context otherwise requires) and, on the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter called the "**Consultant**" which expression shall include their respective successors and permitted assigns).

### WHEREAS

- (A) The Authority vide its Request for Proposal Dated \_\_\_\_\_ for Appointment of Technical Consultant (hereinafter called the "Consultant") for "selection of Technical Consultant for the Preparation Of Outdoor Advertisement Master Plan For Bathinda City, Punjab" (hereinafter called the "Project");
- (B) The Consultant submitted its proposals for the aforesaid work, whereby the Consultant represented to the Authority that it had the required professional skills, and in the said proposals the Consultant also agreed to provide the Services to the Authority on the terms and conditions as set forth in the RFP and this Agreement; and
- (C) The Authority, on acceptance of the aforesaid proposals of the Consultant, awarded the Consultancy to the Consultant vide its Letter of Award dated \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (the "LOA"); and
- (D) In pursuance of the LOA, the parties have agreed to enter into this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

## 1 GENERAL

### 1.1 Definitions and Interpretation

- 1.1.1 The words and expressions beginning with capital letters and defined in this Agreement shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:
  - a) "**Agreement**" means this Agreement, together with all the Annexes;
  - b) "**Agreement Value**" shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 6.1.2;

- c) **“Applicable Laws”** means the laws and any other instruments[including rules, regulations and bye-laws] having the force of law in India and State of Punjab as they may be notified/ issued and in force from time to time;
- d) **“Confidential Information”** shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 3.3;
- e) **“Conflict of Interest”** shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 3.2 read with the provisions of RFP;
- f) **“Dispute”** shall have the meaning set forth in Clause 9.2.1;
- g) **“Effective Date”** means the date on which this Agreement comes into force and effect pursuant to Clause 2.1;
- h) **“Expatriate Personnel”** means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile outside India;
- i) **“Government”** means the Government of Punjab;
- j) **“Member”**, in case the consultant consists of a Joint Venture or Consortium of more than one entity, means any of these entities, and “Members” means all of these entities;
- k) **“INR, Re. or Rs.”** means Indian Rupees;
- l) **“Party”** means the Authority or the Consultant, as the case may be, and Parties means both of them;
- m) **“Personnel”** means persons hired by the Consultant or by any Sub-Consultant as employees or retainers and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof;
- n) **“Resident Personnel”** means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile inside India;
- o) **“RFP”** means the Request for Proposal document in response to which the Consultant’s proposal for providing Services was accepted;
- p) **“Services”** means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement, as described in the Terms of Reference hereto;
- q) **“Sub-Consultant”** means any entity to which the Consultant subcontracts any part of the Services in accordance with the provisions of Clause 4.7; and
- r) **“Third Party”** means any person or entity other than the Government, the Authority, the Consultant or a Sub-Consultant.

All terms and words not defined herein shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meaning assigned to them in the RFP.

1.1.2 The following documents along with all addenda issued thereto shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as integral parts of this Agreement and in case of any contradiction between or among them the priority in which a document would prevail over another would be as laid down below beginning from the highest priority to the lowest priority:

- a) Agreement;
- b) Annexes of Agreement;
- c) RFP; and
- d) Letter of Award.

## **1.2 Relation between the Parties**

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relation of master and servant or of agent and principal as between the Authority and the Consultant. The Consultant shall, subject to this Agreement, have complete charge of Personnel performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.

## **1.3 Rights and obligations**

The mutual rights and obligations of the Authority and the Consultant shall be as set forth in the Agreement, in particular:

- a) The Consultant shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement; and
- b) The Authority shall make payments to the Consultant in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.

## **1.4 Governing law and jurisdiction**

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

## **1.5 Language**

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

## **1.6 Table of contents and headings**

The table of contents, headings or sub-headings in this Agreement is for convenience of reference only and shall not be used in, and shall not affect, the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

## **1.7 Notices**

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

- a) in the case of the Consultant, be given by facsimile or e-mail and by letter delivered by hand to the address given and marked for attention of the Consultant's Representative set out below in Clause 1.10 or to such other person as the Consultant may from time to time designate by notice to the Authority; provided that notices or other communications to be given to an address outside Bathinda may, if they are subsequently confirmed by sending a copy thereof by registered acknowledgement due, air mail or by courier, be sent by facsimile or e-mail to the number as the Consultant may from time to time specify by notice to the Authority;
- b) In the case of the Authority, be given by facsimile or e-mail and by letter delivered by hand and be addressed to the Authority with a copy delivered to the Authority Representative set out below in Clause 1.10 or to such other person as the Authority may from time to time designate by notice to the Consultant; provided that if the Consultant does not have an office in Bathinda it may send such notice by facsimile or e-mail and by registered acknowledgement due, air mail or by courier; and
- c) any notice or communication by a Party to the other Party, given in accordance herewith, shall be deemed to have been delivered when in the normal course of post it ought to have been delivered and in all other cases, it shall be deemed to have been delivered on the actual date and time of delivery; provided that in the case of facsimile or e-mail, it shall be deemed to have been delivered on the working days following the date of its delivery.

## **1.8 Location**

- 1.8.1 The Services shall be performed at the offices of the Authority in accordance with the provisions of RFP and at such locations as are incidental thereto, including the offices of the Consultant.
- 1.8.2 The Authority may require the Consultant's representative to spend the required man hours at the offices of the Authority and the Consultant agrees and undertakes to provide such services on a best effort basis and without any unreasonable delay.

## **1.9 Authority of Member-in-charge**

In case the Consultant consists of a consortium of more than one entity, the Parties agree that the Lead Member shall act on behalf of the Members in exercising all the Consultant's rights and obligations towards the Authority under this Agreement, including without limitation the receiving of instructions and payments from the Authority.

## **1.10 Authorized Representatives**

1.10.1 Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Agreement by the Authority or the Consultant, as the case may be, may be taken or executed by the officials specified in this Clause 1.10

1.10.2 The Authority may, from time to time, designate one of its officials as the Authority Representative. Unless otherwise notified, the Authority Representative shall be:

**Name** :

**Designation** :

**Tel** :

**Mobile** :

**Fax** :

**E-Mail** :

1.10.3 The Consultant may designate one of its employees as Consultant's Representative. Unless otherwise notified, the Consultant's Representative shall be:

**Name** :

**Designation** :

**Tel** :

**Mobile** :

**Fax** :

**E-Mail** :

## **1.11 Taxes and duties**

Unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, the Consultant shall pay all such taxes, duties, fees and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Laws and the Authority shall perform such duties in regard to the deduction of such taxes as may be lawfully imposed on it.

## **2 COMMENCEMENT, COMPLETION AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

### **2.1 Effectiveness of Agreement**

This Agreement shall come into force and effect on the date of this Agreement (the “Effective Date”).

### **2.2 Commencement of Services**

The Consultant shall commence the Services within a period of 7 (seven) days from the Effective Date, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.

### **2.3 Termination of Agreement for failure to commence Services**

If the Consultant does not commence the Services within the period specified in Clause 2.2 above, the Authority may, by not less than 1 (One) weeks’ notice to the Consultant, declare this Agreement to be null and void, and in the event of such a declaration, this Agreement shall stand terminated and the Consultant shall be deemed to have accepted such termination.

### **2.4 Expiration of Agreement**

Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clauses 2.3 or 2.9 hereof, this Agreement shall, unless extended by the Parties by mutual consent, expire upon the earlier of (i) expiry of a period of 60 (Sixty) days after the delivery of the final deliverable to the Authority; Upon Termination, the Authority shall make payments of all amounts due for each completed activity to the Consultant for each completed activities.

### **2.5 Entire Agreement**

2.5.1 This Agreement and the Annexes together constitute a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the Parties on the subject hereof, and no amendment or modification hereto shall be valid and effective unless such modification or amendment is agreed to in writing by the Parties and duly executed by persons especially empowered in this behalf by the respective Parties. All prior written or oral understandings, offers or other communications of every kind pertaining to this Agreement are abrogated and withdrawn; provided, however, that the obligations of the Consultant arising out of the provisions of the RFP shall continue to subsist and shall be deemed to form part of this Agreement.

2.5.2 Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of Clause 2.5.1, on matters not covered by this Agreement, the provisions of RFP shall apply.

### **2.6 Modification of Agreement**

Modification of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including any modification of the scope of the Services, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties. Pursuant to Clauses 4.2.3 and 6.1.3 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 Agreement, "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 Sub-Consultant 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 Agreement, 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 Agreement

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 Agreement 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 Agreement.

### 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 14(fourteen) 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 Agreement, 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 its inability to perform the services as a result of an event Force Majeure, the Consultant shall be entitled to be reimbursed additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by it 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 30 (thirty) days after the Consultant has, as the result of an event of Force Majeure, 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 of Agreement

The Authority may, by written notice of suspension to the Consultant, suspend all payments to the Consultant hereunder if the Consultant shall be in breach of this Agreement or shall fail to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement, including the carrying out of the Services; provided that such notice of suspension (i) shall specify the nature of the breach or failure, and (ii) shall provide an opportunity to the Consultant to remedy such breach or failure within a period not exceeding 15 (Fifteen) days after receipt by the Consultant of such notice of suspension.

## 2.9 Termination of Agreement

### 2.9.1 By the Authority

The Authority may, by not less than 15 (Fifteen) days' written notice of termination to the Consultant, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in this Clause 2.9.1, terminate this Agreement if:

- a) the Consultant fails to remedy any breach hereof or any failure in the performance of its obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension pursuant to Clause 2.8 hereinabove, within 15 (Fifteen) days of receipt of such notice of suspension or within such further period as the Authority may have subsequently granted in writing;
- b) the Consultant becomes insolvent or bankrupt or enters into any agreement with its creditors for relief of debt or take advantage of any law for the benefit of debtors or goes into liquidation or receivership whether compulsory or voluntary;
- c) the Consultant fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to Clause 9 hereof;
- d) the Consultant submits to the Authority a statement which has a material effect on the rights, obligations or interests of the Authority and which the Consultant knows to be false;

- e) any document, information, data or statement submitted by the Consultant in its Proposals, based on which the Consultant was considered eligible or successful, is found to be false, incorrect or misleading;
- f) as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than 60 (sixty) days; or
- g) The Authority, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate this Agreement.

#### 2.9.2 By the Consultant

The Consultant may, by not less than 30 (thirty) days' written notice to the Authority, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in this Clause 2.9.2, terminate this Agreement if:

- a) the Authority fails to pay any money due to the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause 9 hereof within 45 (forty five) days after receiving written notice from the Consultant that such payment is overdue;
- b) the Authority is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement and has not remedied the same within 45 (forty five) days (or such longer period as the Consultant may have subsequently granted in writing) following the receipt by the Authority of the Consultant's notice specifying such breach;
- c) as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than 60 (sixty)days; or
- d) The Authority fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to Clause 9 hereof.

#### 2.9.3 Cessation of rights and obligations

Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to Clauses 2.3 or 2.9 hereof, or upon expiration of this Agreement pursuant to Clause 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, or which expressly survive such Termination; (ii) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in Clause 3.3 hereof (iii) the Consultant's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of such of its accounts and records set forth in Clause 3.5, as relate to the Consultant's Services provided under this Agreement, and (iv) any right or remedy which a Party may have under this Agreement or the Applicable Laws.

#### 2.9.4 Cessation of Services

Upon termination of this Agreement by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to Clauses 2.9.1 or 2.9.2 hereof, the Consultant 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 Consultant and equipment and materials furnished by the Authority, the Consultant shall proceed as provided respectively by Clauses 3.8 or 3.9 hereof.

#### 2.9.5 Payment upon Termination

Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to Clauses 2.9.1 or 2.9.2 hereof, the Authority shall make the following payments to the Consultant (after offsetting against these payments any amount that may be due from the Consultant to the Authority):

- i. Remuneration pursuant to Clause 6 hereof for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the date of termination;
- ii. reimbursable expenditures pursuant to Clause 6 hereof for expenditures actually incurred prior to the date of termination; and
- iii. Except in the case of termination pursuant to sub-clauses (a) through (e) of Clause 2.9.1 hereof, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incidental to the prompt and orderly termination of the Agreement including the cost of the return travel of the Consultant's personnel.

#### 2.9.6 Disputes about Events of Termination

If either Party disputes whether an event specified in Clause 2.9.1 or in Clause 2.9.2 hereof has occurred, such Party may, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of notice of termination from the other Party, refer the matter to arbitration pursuant to Clause 9 hereof, and this Agreement shall not be terminated on account of such event except in accordance with the terms of any resulting arbitral award.

### **3 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT**

#### **3.1 General**

##### 3.1.1 Standards of Performance

The Consultant shall perform the Services and carry out its 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 Consultant shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Agreement or to the Services, as a faithful adviser to the Authority, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Authority's legitimate interests in any dealings with Sub-Consultants or Third Parties.

##### 3.1.2 Terms of Reference

The scope of services to be performed by the Consultant is specified in the Terms of Reference (the "TOR") at Annex-1 of this Agreement. The Consultant shall provide the Deliverables specified therein in conformity with the time schedule stated therein.

### 3.1.3 Applicable Laws

The Consultant shall perform the Services in accordance with the Applicable Laws and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any Sub-Consultant, as well as the Personnel and agents of the Consultant and any Sub-Consultant, comply with the Applicable Laws.

## 3.2 Conflict of Interest

3.2.1 The Consultant shall not have a Conflict of Interest and any breach hereof shall constitute a breach of the Agreement.

3.2.2 Consultant and Affiliates not to be otherwise interested in the Project

The Consultant agrees that, during the term of this Agreement and after its termination, the Consultant or any Associate thereof and any entity affiliated with the Consultant, as well as any Sub-Consultant and any entity affiliated with such Sub-Consultant, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works, services, loans or equity for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services and any breach of this obligation shall amount to a Conflict of Interest; provided that the restriction herein shall not apply after a period of three years from the completion of this assignment or to consulting assignments granted by banks/ lenders at any time; provided further that this restriction shall not apply to consultancy/ advisory services provided to the Authority in continuation of this Consultancy or to any subsequent consultancy/ advisory services provided to the Authority in accordance with the rules of the Authority.

For the avoidance of doubt, an entity affiliated with the Consultant shall include a partner in the Consultant's firm or a person who holds more than 5% (five per cent) of the subscribed and paid up share capital of the Consultant, as the case may be, and any Associate thereof.

3.2.3 Prohibition of conflicting activities

Neither the Consultant nor its Sub-Consultant nor the Personnel of either of them shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:

- a) during the term of this Agreement, any business or professional activities which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Agreement;
- b) after the termination of this Agreement, such other activities as may be specified in the Agreement; or
- c) At any time, such other activities as have been specified in the RFP as Conflict of Interest.

3.2.4 Consultant not to benefit from commissions discounts etc.

The remuneration of the Consultant pursuant to Clause 6 hereof shall constitute the Consultant's sole remuneration in connection with this Agreement or the Services and the Consultant shall not accept for its own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Agreement or to the Services or in the discharge of its obligations hereunder, and the Consultant shall use its best efforts to ensure that any Sub-Consultant, as well as the Personnel and agents of either of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

- 3.2.5 The Consultant and its Personnel shall observe the highest standards of ethics and shall not have engaged in and shall not hereafter engage in any corrupt practice, fraudulent practice, coercive practice, undesirable practice or restrictive practice (collectively the “Prohibited Practices”). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement forthwith by a communication in writing to the Consultant, without being liable in any manner whatsoever to the Consultant, if it determines that the Consultant has, directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged in any Prohibited Practices in the Selection Process or before or after entering into of this Agreement. In such an event, the Authority shall forfeit and appropriate the Bid Security or Performance Security, as the case may be for damages payable to the Authority towards, inter alia, time, cost and effort of the Authority, without prejudice to the Authority’s any other rights or remedy here under or in law.
- 3.2.6 Without prejudice to the rights of the Authority under Clause 3.2.5 above and the other rights and remedies which the Authority may have under this Agreement, if the Consultant is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any Prohibited Practices, during the Selection Process or before or after the execution of this Agreement, the Consultant shall not be eligible to participate in any tender or RFP issued during a period of 2 (two) years from the date the Consultant is found by the Authority to have directly or indirectly or through an agent, engaged or indulged in any Prohibited Practices.
- 3.2.7 For the purposes of Clauses 3.2.5 and 3.2.6, the following terms shall have the meaning hereinafter respectively assigned to them:
- a) **“corrupt practice”** means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the actions of any person connected with the Selection Process (for removal of doubt, offering of employment or employing or engaging in any manner whatsoever, directly or indirectly, any official of the Authority who is or has been associated in any manner, directly or indirectly with Selection Process or LOA or dealing with matters concerning the Agreement before or after the execution thereof, at any time prior to the expiry of one year from the date such official resigns or retires from or otherwise ceases to be in the service of the Authority, shall be deemed to constitute influencing the actions of a person connected with the Selection Process); or (ii) engaging in any manner whatsoever, whether during the Selection Process or after the issue of LOA or after the execution of the Agreement, as the case may be, any person in respect of any matter relating to the Project or the LOA or the Agreement, who at any time has been or is a legal, financial or technical adviser the Authority in relation to any matter concerning the Project;
  - b) **“fraudulent practice”** means a misrepresentation or omission of facts or suppression of facts or disclosure of incomplete facts, in order to influence the Selection Process;

- c) **“coercive practice”** means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any person or property to influence any person’s participation or action in the Selection Process or the exercise of its rights or performance of its obligations by the Authority under this Agreement;
- d) **“undesirable practice”** means (i) establishing contact with any person connected with or employed or engaged by the Authority with the objective of canvassing, lobbying or in any manner influencing or attempting to influence the Selection Process; or (ii) having a Conflict of Interest; and
- e) **“restrictive practice”** means forming a cartel or arriving at any understanding or arrangement among Applicants with the objective of restricting or manipulating a full and fair competition in the Selection Process.

### **3.3 Confidentiality**

The Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel of either of them shall not, either during the term or within two years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement disclose any proprietary information, including information relating to reports, data, drawings, design software or other material, whether written or oral, in electronic or magnetic format, and the contents thereof; and any reports, digests or summaries created or derived from any of the foregoing that is provided by the Authority to the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel; any information provided by or relating to the Authority, its technology, technical processes, business affairs or finances or any information relating to the Authority’s employees, officers or other professionals or suppliers, customers, or contractors of the Authority; and any other information which the Consultant is under an obligation to keep confidential in relation to the Project, the Services or this Agreement (“Confidential Information”), without the prior written consent of the Authority.

Notwithstanding the aforesaid, the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel of either of them may disclose Confidential Information to the extent that such Confidential Information:

- i. was in the public domain prior to its delivery to the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel of either of them or becomes a part of the public knowledge from a source other than the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel of either of them;
- ii. was obtained from a third party with no known duty to maintain its confidentiality;
- iii. is required to be disclosed by Applicable Laws or judicial or administrative or arbitral process or by any governmental instrumentalities, provided that for any such disclosure, the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and the Personnel of either of them shall give the Authority, prompt written notice, and use reasonable efforts to ensure that such disclosure is accorded confidential treatment; and
- iv. is provided to the professional advisers, agents, auditors or representatives of the Consultant or its Sub-Consultants or Personnel of either of them, as is reasonable under the circumstances; provided, however, that the Consultant or its Sub-Consultants or Personnel of either of them, as the case may be, shall require their professional advisers, agents, auditors or its representatives, to undertake in writing to keep such

Confidential Information, confidential and shall use its best efforts to ensure compliance with such undertaking.

### **3.4 Liability of the Consultant**

- 3.4.1 The Consultant's liability under this Agreement shall be determined by the Applicable Laws and the provisions hereof.
- 3.4.2 The Consultant shall, subject to the limitation specified in Clause 3.4.3, be liable to the Authority for any direct loss or damage accrued or likely to accrue due to deficiency in Services rendered by it.
- 3.4.3 The Parties hereto agree that in case of negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Consultant or on the part of any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services, the Consultant, with respect to damage caused to the Authority's property, shall not be liable to the Authority:
- i. for any indirect or consequential loss or damage; and
  - ii. for any direct loss or damage that exceeds (a) the Agreement Value set forth in Clause 6.1.2 of this Agreement, or (b) the proceeds the Consultant may be entitled to receive from any insurance maintained by the Consultant to cover such a liability, whichever of (a) or (b) is higher.

- 3.4.4 This limitation of liability specified in Clause 3.4.3 shall not affect the Consultant's liability, if any, for damage to Third Parties caused by the Consultant or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services subject, however, to a limit equal to 3 (three) times the Agreement Value.

### **3.5 Insurance to be taken out by the Consultant**

- 3.5.1 The Consultant shall, for the duration of this Agreement, take out and maintain, and shall cause any Sub-Consultant to take out and maintain, at its (or the Sub-Consultant's, as the case may be) own cost, but on terms and conditions approved by the Authority, insurance against the risks, and for the coverages, as specified in the Agreement and in accordance with good industry practice.

(b) Within 15 (fifteen) days of receiving any insurance policy certificate in respect of insurances required to be obtained and maintained under this clause, the Consultant shall furnish to the Authority, copies of such policy certificates, copies of the insurance policies and evidence that the insurance premia have been paid in respect of such insurance. No insurance shall be cancelled, modified or allowed to expire or lapse during the term of this Agreement.

(c) If the Consultant fails to effect and keep in force the aforesaid insurances for which it is responsible pursuant hereto, the Authority shall, apart from having other recourse available under this Agreement, have the option, without prejudice to the obligations of the Consultant, to take out the aforesaid insurance, to keep in force any such insurances, and pay such premia and recover the costs thereof from the Consultant, and the Consultant shall be liable to pay such amounts on demand by the Authority.

(d) Except in case of Third Party liabilities, the insurance policies so procured shall mention the Authority as the beneficiary of the Consultant and the Consultant shall procure an undertaking from the insurance company to this effect; provided that in the event the Consultant has a general insurance policy that covers the risks specified in this Agreement and the amount of insurance cover is equivalent to 3 (three) times the cover required hereunder, such insurance policy may not mention the Authority as the sole beneficiary of the Consultant or require an undertaking to that effect.

- 3.5.2 The Parties agree that the risks and coverages shall include but not be limited to the following:

- a) Third Party liability insurance as required under Applicable Laws, with a minimum coverage of Rs. 6.0 Crores;
- b) employer's liability and workers' compensation insurance in respect of the Personnel of the Consultant and of any Sub-Consultant, in accordance with Applicable Laws; and



- c) professional liability insurance for an amount no less than the Agreement Value.

The indemnity limit in terms of “Any One Accident” (AOA) and “Aggregate limit on the policy period” (AOP) should not be less than the amount stated in Clause 6.1.2 of the Agreement. In case of consortium, the policy should be in the name of Lead Member and not in the name of individual Members of the consortium.

### **3.6 Not Used**

### **3.7 Consultant’s actions requiring the Authority’s prior approval**

The Consultant shall obtain the Authority’s prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:

- a. Appointing such members of the Professional Personnel as are not listed in Annex-2.
- b. entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services, it being understood (i) that the selection of the Sub-Consultant and the terms and conditions of the subcontract shall have been approved in writing by the Authority prior to the execution of the subcontract, and (ii) that the Consultant shall remain fully liable for the performance of the Services by the Sub-Consultant and its Personnel pursuant to this Agreement; or
- c. Any other action that is specified in this Agreement.

### **3.8 Reporting obligations**

3.8.1 The Consultant shall submit to the Authority the reports and documents specified in the Agreement, in the form, in the numbers and within the time periods set forth therein.

### **3.9 Documents prepared by the Consultant to be property of the Authority**

3.9.1 All plans, designs, drawings, specifications, reports and other documents, (collectively referred to as "Consultancy Documents") prepared by the Consultant (or by the Sub-Consultants or any Third Party) in performing the Services shall become and remain the property of the Authority, and all intellectual property rights in such Consultancy Documents shall vest with the Authority. Any Consultancy Document, of which the ownership or the intellectual property rights do not vest with the Authority under law, shall automatically stand assigned to the Authority as and when such Consultancy Document is created and the Consultant agrees to execute all papers and to perform such other acts as the Authority may deem necessary to secure its rights herein assigned by the Consultant.

3.9.2 The Consultant shall, not later than termination or expiration of this Agreement, deliver all Consultancy Documents to the Authority, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultant may retain a copy of such Consultancy Documents. The Consultant, its Sub-Consultants or a Third Party shall not use these Consultancy Documents for purposes unrelated to this Agreement without the prior written approval of the Authority.

3.9.3 The Consultant shall hold the Authority harmless and indemnified for any losses, claims, damages, expenses (including all legal expenses), awards, penalties or injuries (collectively referred to as 'claims') which may arise from or due to any unauthorized use of such Consultancy Documents, or due to any breach or failure on part of the Consultant or its Sub-Consultants or a Third Party to perform any of its duties or obligations in relation to securing the aforementioned rights of the Authority.

### **3.10 Materials furnished by the Authority**

Materials made available to the Consultant by the Authority shall be the property of the Authority and shall be marked accordingly. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, the Consultant shall furnish forthwith to the Authority, an inventory of such materials and shall dispose of such materials in accordance with the instructions of the Authority.

### **3.11 Providing access to Project Office and Personnel**

The Consultant shall ensure that the Authority, and officials of the Authority having authorization from the Authority, is provided unrestricted access to the office of the Consultant and to all Personnel during office hours. The Authority's official, who has been authorized by the Authority in this behalf, shall have the right to inspect the Services in progress, interact with Personnel of the Consultant and verify the records relating to the Services for his satisfaction.

### **3.12 Accuracy of Documents**

The Consultant shall be responsible for accuracy of the documents drafted and/ or vetted and data collected by it directly or procured from other agencies/authorities, estimates and all other details prepared by it as part of these services. Subject to the provisions of Clause 3.4, it shall indemnify the Authority against any inaccuracy in its work which might surface during implementation of the Project, if such inaccuracy is the result of any negligence or inadequate due diligence on part of the Consultant or arises out of its failure to conform to good industry practice. The Consultant shall also be responsible for promptly correcting, at its own cost and risk, the documents including any re-survey/investigations.

## **4 CONSULTANT'S PERSONNEL AND SUB-CONSULTANTS**

### **4.1 General**

The Consultant shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Personnel as may be required to carry out the Services.

## **4.2 Deployment of Personnel**

- 4.2.1 The designations, names and other particulars of each of the Consultant's Key Personnel required in carrying out the Services are described in Annex-2 of this Agreement.
- 4.2.2 If additional work is required beyond the scope of the Services specified in the Terms of Reference, the estimated periods of engagement of Personnel, set forth in the Annexes of the Agreement may be increased by agreement in writing between the Authority and the Consultant, provided that any such increase shall not, except as otherwise agreed, cause payments under this Agreement to exceed the Agreement Value set forth in Clause 6.1.2.

## **4.3 Approval of Personnel**

- 4.3.1 The Key Personnel listed in Annex-2 of the Agreement are hereby approved by the Authority. No other Professional Personnel shall be engaged without prior approval of the Authority.
- 4.3.2 If the Consultant hereafter proposes to engage any person as Professional Personnel, it shall submit to the Authority its proposal along with a CV of such person in the form provided at Appendix-I (Form-12) of the RFP. The Authority may approve or reject such proposal within 14 (fourteen) days of receipt thereof. In case the proposal is rejected, the Consultant may propose an alternative person for the Authority's consideration. In the event the Authority does not reject a proposal within 14 (fourteen) days of the date of receipt thereof under this Clause 4.3, it shall be deemed to have been approved by the Authority.

## **4.4 Substitution of Key Personnel**

The Authority expects all the Key Personnel specified in the Proposal to be available during implementation of the Agreement. The Authority will not consider substitution of the Key Personnel except for reasons of any incapacity or due to health. Such substitution shall ordinarily be limited to one Key Personnel subject to equally or better qualified and experienced personnel being provided to the satisfaction of the Authority. Without prejudice to the foregoing, substitution of the Key Personnel shall only be permitted subject to reduction of remuneration equal to 5 % (Two per cent) of the Agreement Value for each such substitution, subject to a maximum of Two Substitution.

## **4.5 Not Used**

## **4.6 Team Leader and Project Manager**

The person designated as the Team Leader of the Consultant's Personnel shall be responsible for the coordinated, timely and efficient functioning of the Personnel. In addition, the Consultant shall designate a suitable person as Project Manager (the "Project Manager") who shall be responsible for day to day performance of the Services.

## **4.7 Sub-Consultants**

Sub-Consultants listed in Annex-3 of this Agreement are hereby approved by the Authority. The Consultant may, with prior written approval of the Authority, engage additional Sub-Consultants or substitute an existing Sub-Consultant. The hiring of Personnel by the Sub-Consultants shall be subject to the same conditions as applicable to Personnel of the Consultant under this Clause 4.

## **5 OBLIGATIONS OF THE AUTHORITY**

### **5.1 Assistance in clearances etc.**

Unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, the Authority shall make best efforts to ensure that the authority shall:

- a) provide the Consultant, its Sub-Consultants and Personnel with work permits and such other documents as may be necessary to enable the consultant, its Sub-Consultants or Personnel to perform the Services;
- b) Issue, on best effort basis and to the extent reasonably feasible 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.

### **5.2 Access to land and property**

The Authority warrants that the Consultant shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to the site of the project in respect of which access is required for the performance of Services; provided that if such access shall not be made available to the Consultant as and when so required, the parties shall agree on (i) the time extension, as may be appropriate, for the performance of services, and (ii) the additional payments, if any, to be made to the Consultant as a result there of pursuant to Clause 6.1.3.

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

If, after the date of this Agreement, there is any change in the Applicable Laws with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost or reimbursable expenses incurred by the Consultant in performing the Services, by an amount exceeding 2 % (two percent) of the Agreement Value specified in Clause 6.1.2, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Consultant under this Agreement shall be increase / decrease accordingly by agreement between the parties hereto, and corresponding adjustments shall be made in the aforesaid Agreement Value.

### **5.4 Payment**

In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultant under this Agreement, the Authority shall make to the Consultant such payments and in such manner as is provided in Clause 6 of this Agreement.

## 6 PAYMENT TO THE CONSULTANT

### 6.1 Cost estimates and Agreement Value

- 6.1.1 An abstract of the cost of the Services payable to the Consultant is set forth in Annex-5 of the Agreement.
- 6.1.2 Except as may be otherwise agreed under Clause 2.6 and subject to Clause and 6.1.3, the payments under this Agreement shall not exceed the agreement value specified herein (the “**Agreement Value**”). The Parties agree that the Agreement Value is Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ /-(Rupees \_\_\_\_\_), inclusive of all applicable taxes (excluding Service Tax).
- 6.1.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Clause 6.1.2, if pursuant to the provisions of Clauses 2.6 and 2.7, the Parties agree that additional payments shall be made to the Consultant in order to cover any additional expenditures not envisaged in the cost estimates referred to in Clause 6.1.1 above, the Agreement Value set forth in Clause 6.1.2 above shall be increased by the amount or amounts, as the case may be, of any such additional payments.

### 6.2 Currency of payment

All payments shall be made in Indian Rupees. The Consultant shall be free to convert Rupees into any foreign currency as per Applicable Laws.

### 6.3 Mode of billing and payment

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

- a. The Consultant shall be paid for its services as per the Payment Schedule at Annex-4 of this Agreement, subject to the Consultant fulfilling the following conditions:
  - (i) No payment shall be due for the next stage till the Consultant completes, to the satisfaction of the Authority, the work pertaining to the preceding stage.
  - (ii) The Authority shall pay to the Consultant, only the undisputed amount.
- b. The Authority shall cause the payment due to the Consultant to be made within 30 (thirty) days after the receipt by the Authority of duly completed bills with necessary particulars (the “**Due Date**”).
- c. The Authority shall make the final payment upon achievement of the last milestone by the Authority.
- d. Any amount which the Authority has paid or caused to be paid in excess of the amounts actually payable in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall be reimbursed by the Consultant to the Authority within 30 (thirty) days after receipt by the Consultant of notice thereof. Any such claim by the Authority for reimbursement must be made within 1 (one) year after receipt by the Authority of a final report and a final statement in accordance

with Clause 6.3 (c). Any delay by the Consultant in reimbursement by the due date shall attract simple interest @ 10% (ten per cent) per annum.

- e. All payments under this Agreement shall be made to the account of the Consultant as may be notified to the Authority by the Consultant.

## **7 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES AND PENALTIES**

### **7.1 Performance Security**

7.1.1 For the purposes of this Agreement, performance security shall be deemed to be an amount equal to 10% (ten per cent) of the Agreement Value (the "Performance Security");

7.1.2 The Consultant shall furnish a Bank Guarantee for Performance Security in the form specified at Annex-7 of this Agreement. The Authority shall upon occurrence of a Consultant's default and without prejudice to its other rights and remedies hereunder or in law, be entitled to encash and appropriate the relevant amounts from the Performance Security as damages for such default. Upon such encashment and appropriation from the Performance Security, the Consultant shall, within 30 (thirty) days thereof, replenish, in case of partial appropriation, to its original level the Performance Security, and in case of appropriation of the entire Performance Security provide a fresh Performance Security, as the case may be, and the Consultant shall, within the time so granted, replenish or furnish fresh Performance Security as aforesaid failing which the Authority shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement.

### **7.2 Liquidated Damages**

#### **7.2.1 Liquidated Damages for error/variation**

In case any error or variation is detected in the reports submitted by the Consultant and such error or variation is the result of negligence or lack of due diligence on the part of the Consultant, the consequential damages thereof shall be quantified by the Authority in a reasonable manner and recovered from the Consultant by way of deemed liquidated damages, subject to a maximum of 50% (Fifty Percent) of the Agreement Value.

#### **7.2.2 Liquidated Damages for delay**

In case of delay in completion of Services, liquidated damages not exceeding an amount equal to 0.25% (zero point two five per cent) of the Agreement Value per day, subject to a maximum of 10% (ten per cent) of the Agreement Value shall be imposed and shall be recovered by appropriation from the Performance Security or otherwise. However, in case of delay due to reasons beyond the control of the Consultant, (such circumstances as deemed fit by the Authority to be beyond the control of the consultant), suitable extension of time shall be granted.

### 7.2.3 Encashment and appropriation of Performance Security

The Authority shall have the right to invoke and appropriate the proceeds of the Performance Security, in whole or in part, without notice to the Consultant in the event of breach of this Agreement or for recovery of liquidated damages specified in this Clause 7.2.

### 7.3 Penalty for deficiency in Services

In addition to the liquidated damages not amounting to penalty, as specified in Clause 7.2, warning may be issued to the Consultant for minor deficiencies on its part. In the case of significant deficiencies in Services causing adverse effect on the Project or on the reputation of the Authority, other penal action including debarring for a specified period may also be initiated as per policy of the Authority.

## 8 FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH

### 8.1 Good Faith

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

### 8.2 Operation of the Agreement

The Parties recognize that it is impractical in this Agreement to provide for every contingency which may arise during the life of the Agreement, and the Parties hereby agree that it is their intention that this Agreement shall operate fairly as between them, and without detriment to the interest of either of them, and that, if during the term of this Agreement either Party believes that this Agreement 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 failure to agree on any action pursuant to this Clause 8.2 shall not give rise to a dispute subject to arbitration in accordance with Clause 9 hereof.

## 9 SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

### 9.1 Amicable settlement

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



## **9.2 Dispute resolution**

- 9.2.1 Any dispute, difference or controversy of whatever nature howsoever arising under or out of or in relation to this Agreement (including its interpretation) between the Parties, and so notified in writing by either Party to the other Party (the “Dispute”) shall, in the first instance, be attempted to be resolved amicably in accordance with the conciliation procedure set forth in Clause 9.3.
- 9.2.2 The Parties agree to use their best efforts for resolving all Disputes arising under or in respect of this Agreement promptly, equitably and in good faith, and further agree to provide each other with reasonable access during normal business hours to all non-privileged records, information and data pertaining to any Dispute.

## **9.3 Conciliation**

In the event of any Dispute between the Parties, either Party may call upon the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Bathinda and the Managing Partner/ Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Consultant or a substitute thereof for amicable settlement, and upon such reference, the said persons shall meet no later than 10 (ten) days from the date of reference to discuss and attempt to amicably resolve the Dispute. If such meeting does not take place within the 10 (ten) day period or the Dispute is not amicably settled within 15 (fifteen) days of the meeting or the Dispute is not resolved as evidenced by the signing of written terms of settlement within 30 (thirty) days of the notice in writing referred to in Clause 9.2.1 or such longer period as may be mutually agreed by the Parties, either Party may refer the Dispute to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of Clause 9.4.

## 9.4 Arbitration

- 9.4.1 Any Dispute which is not resolved amicably by conciliation, as provided in Clause 9.3, shall be finally decided by reference to arbitration by an Arbitral Tribunal appointed in accordance with Clause 9.4.2. Such arbitration shall be held in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration of the International Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution, New Delhi (the "Rules"), or such other rules as may be mutually agreed by the Parties, and shall be subject to the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended from time to time. The venue of such arbitration shall be Bathinda and the language of arbitration proceedings shall be English.
- 9.4.2 There shall be a sole arbitrator appointed by the Commissioner Municipal Corporation Bathinda.
- 9.4.3 The arbitrators shall make a reasoned award (the "Award"). Any Award made in any arbitration held pursuant to this Clause 9 shall be final and binding on the Parties as from the date it is made, and the Consultant and the Authority agree and undertake to carry out such Award without delay.
- 9.4.4 The Consultant and the Authority agree that an Award may be enforced against the Consultant and/or the Authority, as the case may be, and their respective assets wherever situated.
- 9.4.5 This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the Parties shall remain in full force and effect, pending the Award in any arbitration proceedings hereunder.

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

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED

For and on behalf of Consultant:

For and on behalf of Authority

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Name) -

(Name)

(Designation) -

(Designation)

(Address) –

(Address)

(Fax No.)

(Fax No.)

In the presence of:

In the presence of:

**ANNEXURE -1**  
**TERMS OF REFERENCE**  
**(Refer clause 3.1.2)**  
**(Reproduce Schedule 1 of RFP)**

## ANNEXURE -2

### DEPLOYMENT OF KEY PERSONNEL

S. No.	Designation of Key Personnel	Name	Job Responsibilities
(1)	(2)	(3)	
	Team Leader/ Urban Management Specialist		
	Safety cum Signage expert		
	Financial Analyst		
	Marketing & Advertising Expert		
	Legal Expert		

## ANNEXURE -3

### PROPOSAL FOR SUB CONSULTANT

1. Details of the Firm				
Firm's Name and address and Telephones				
Name and Telephone No .of the Contact Person				
Fields of Expertise				
No. of Years in business in the above Fields				
2. Services that are proposed to be sub contracted:				
3. Person who will lead the Sub-Consultant				
Name:				
Designation:				
Telephone No:				
Email:				
4. Details of Firms Previous Experience				
Name of Work	Name address and, telephone no. of Client	Total Value of Services Performed	Duration of Services	Date of Completion of Services
1.				
2.				
3.				

(Signature and name of the authorised signatory)

**Note:**

Use separate form for each Sub-Consultant.

## ANNEXURE - 4

### DELIVERABLES & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Key Date	Description of Deliverables	Week no	Payment **
<b>Stage - I</b>			
KD1	Concept Plan	3	15%
KD 2	Draft Master Plan	8	15%
KD3	Final Master Plan	10	25%
KD4	Bidding/ Tender Documents	12	15%
<b>Stage – II^</b>			
KD 5	Assistance to Authority in Issuance of Tender Document for the Selection of Implementing Agency (Contractor/ PPP Mode/ any other mode etc.)	15	10%
KD 6	Assistance to Authority in Pre- bid Conference(s), Receiving of Tenders and issue of Letter of Awards to implementing Agency (Contractor/ PPP Mode/ any other mode etc.).	20	10%
KD 7	Assistance to Authority in execution of all type of projects in the suggested implementation modes (PPP mode/ EPC mode/ O& M Contracts/ any other mode etc.) as applicable and Kick Start the project and attending Review Meeting to be held by Authority for Handing over the project work to the implementing agency	22	10%
	Total		100 %

**ANNEXURE - 5**  
**ABSTRACT OF COST OF SERVICE**

(Reproduce Financial Proposal)

## ANNEXURE - 6

### FORMAT OF BANK GUARANTEE FOR PERFORMANCE SECURITY

(Refer clause 7.1.2)

To  
The Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation, Bathinda

In consideration of Municipal Corporation Bathinda, acting through its Commissioner (hereinafter referred as the "Authority", which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors, administrators and assigns) having awarded to **M/s.** \_\_\_\_\_ having its registered office at \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred as the "Consultant" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors, administrators, executors and assigns), vide the Authority's **Letter of Award No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_** valued at **Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/- (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_)**, (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") an assignment for consultancy services for Preparation of Outdoor Advertisement Master Plan for Bathinda City and the Consultant having agreed to furnish a Bank Guarantee amounting to **Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_)** to the Authority for performance of the said Agreement.

We, ..... (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank") at the request of the Consultant do hereby undertake to pay to the Authority an amount not exceeding **Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_)** against any loss or damage caused to or suffered or would be caused to or suffered by the Authority by reason of any breach by the said Consultant of any of the terms or conditions contained in the said Agreement.

2. We, ..... (indicate the name of the Bank) do hereby undertake to pay the amounts due and payable under this Guarantee without any demur, merely on a demand from the Authority stating that the amount/claimed is due by way of loss or damage caused to or would be caused to or suffered by the Authority by reason of breach by the said Consultant of any of the terms or conditions contained in the said Agreement or by reason of the Consultant's failure to perform the said Agreement. Any such demand made on the bank shall be conclusive as regards the amount due and payable by the Bank under this Guarantee. However, our liability under this Guarantee shall be restricted to an amount not exceeding **Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/- (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_)**.

3. We, ..... (indicate the name of Bank) undertake to pay to the Authority any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the Consultant in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or tribunal relating thereto, our liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal. The payment so made by us under this bond shall be a valid discharge of our liability for payment thereunder and the Consultant shall have no claim against us for making such payment.

4. We, ..... (indicate the name of Bank) further agree that the Guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that would be taken for the performance of the said Agreement and that it shall continue to be enforceable till all the dues of the Authority under or by virtue of the said Agreement have been fully paid and its claims satisfied or discharged or till the Authority certifies that the terms and conditions of the said Agreement have been fully and properly carried out by the said Consultant and accordingly



discharges this Guarantee. Unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made on us in writing on or before a period of **one year** from the date of this Guarantee, we shall be discharged from all liability under this Guarantee thereafter.

5. We, ..... (indicate the name of Bank) further agree with the Authority that the Authority shall have the fullest liberty without our consent and without affecting in any manner our obligations hereunder to vary any of the terms and conditions of the said Agreement or to extend time of performance by the said Consultant from time to time or to postpone for any time or from time to time any of the powers exercisable by the Authority against the said Consultant and to forbear or enforce any of the terms and conditions relating to the said Agreement and we shall not be relieved from our liability by reason of any such variation, or extension being granted to the said Consultant or for any forbearance, act or omission on the part of the Authority or any indulgence by the Authority to the said Consultant or any such matter or thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision, have the effect of so relieving us.
6. This Guarantee will not be discharged due to the change in the constitution of the Bank or the Consultant(s).
7. We, ..... (indicate the name of Bank) lastly undertake not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the Authority in writing.
8. For the avoidance of doubt, the Bank's liability under this Guarantee shall be restricted to **Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/- (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_)** only. The Bank shall be liable to pay the said amount or any part thereof only if the Authority serves a written claim on the Bank in accordance with paragraph 2 hereof, on or before.....20xx.

Dated, the ..... day of ..... 20

For .....

(Name of Bank)

(Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory) Seal of the Bank:

**NOTES:**

- (i) The Bank Guarantee should contain the name, designation and code number of the officer(s) signing the Guarantee.
- (ii) The address, telephone no. and other details of the Head Office of the Bank as well as of issuing Branch should be mentioned on the covering letter of issuing Branch.