

## **BIDDING DOCUMENT**

## for

**Construction of** 

500kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System at Chitlang, Thaha Municipality Ward 9, Makwanpur District

IFB No. MBUSTDB/W/NCB-03/2077/78

National Competitive Bidding Single-Stage: Two-Envelope Bidding Procedure

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## Abbreviations

BDBidding Document
BDFBidding Forms
BDS Bid Data Sheet
BOQ Bill of Quantities
COFContract Forms
DPDevelopment Partners
DoLIDAR Department of Local Infrastructure Development and Agricultural
Roads
ELIEligibility
EQCEvaluation and Qualification Criteria
EXP Experience
FINFinancial
GCCGeneral Conditions of Contract
GoNGovernment of Nepal
ICC
IFB Invitation for Bids
ITB
JVJoint Venture
LITLitigation
MBUSTBB
Board
NCB National Competitive Bidding
PAN Permanent Account Number
PPA Public Procurement Act
PPMO Public Procurement Monitoring Office
PPR Public Procurement Regulations
PL Profit & Loss
SBD Standard Bidding Document
SCC
TS Technical Specifications
VAT Value Added Tax
WRQ Works Requirements

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# **Invitation for Bids**

#### Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board (MBUSTDB) Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal

Invitation for Bids for the Construction of Grid Connected Solar PV System at Chitlang Contract Identification IFB No.: MBUSTDB/W/NCB-03/2077/78 First Date of Publication: June 1, 2021, Tuesday (Jestha 18, 2078)

- 1. Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board (MBUSTDB) has received a grant from GoN towards the cost for the Grid Connected Solar PV System at Chitlang, Thaha Municipality, Ward No. 9, Makawanpur District, Bagmati Province and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for the Construction of Grid Connected Solar PV System. Bidding is open to all eligible bidders as per Section V of the bidding document.
- 2. MBUSTDB invites electronic bids from eligible bidders for the construction of the Grid Connected Solar PV System under the National Competitive Bidding – Single Stage Two Envelope Bidding Procedures.

## Only eligible bidders with the following specific construction experience should participate in this bidding:

- a) Participation as the Prime contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor, in at least one (1) Contract for Grid Connected Solar PV Project within the last ten (10) years with a value of at least NRs. 15 Million excluding VAT that has been successfully completed and that are similar to the proposed works.
- b) At least one Grid Connected Solar PV Project with capacity of at least 150 kWp successfully completed as the Prime contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor within last ten (10) years.
- c) Grid Connected Solar PV Projects with total cumulative capacity of at least 500 kWp successfully completed as the Prime contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor within last ten (10) years.
- 3. Under the Single Stage, Two Envelope Procedure, Bidders are required to submit simultaneously two separate sealed envelopes, one containing (i) the Technical Bid and the other (ii) the Price Bid, both in turn enclosed in one sealed envelope as per the provision of ITB 21 of the Bidding Document.
- 4. Eligible Bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents at the office of MBUSTDB, Telephone no. 9840088016 and 9849848053, email: <u>info@mbustb.edu.np</u> and <u>info@mbustb.org</u> or may visit PPMO e-GP system <u>www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp</u> and <u>www.mbustb.org</u>.
- 5. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be downloaded from PPMO's e-GP system www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp. Bidders, submitting their bids electronically, should deposit a non-refundable cost of bidding document NRs. 5,000.00 in the account as specified below

Name of the Bank: Nepal Bank Limited, Gabahal, Lalitpur. Name of Office: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board

Office Account no.: 01800106701870000001

- 6. Online Pre-bid meeting shall be held at the office of MBUSTDB at 12:00 hours, June 18, 2021, Friday.
- 7. Electronic bids must be submitted to the office Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board through PPMO's e-GP system www.bolpatra.gov.np/egp on or before 13:00 hours on July 15, 2021, Thursday. Bids received after this deadline will

be rejected. Design and drawings, which could not be uploaded to the e-GP system because of the large files, should be submitted to the office of MBUSTDB in hard copies and soft copies before the same deadline.

- 8. The bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at 14:00 hours on July 15, 2021, Thursday at the office of MBUSTDB or online.
- Bids must be valid for a period of 90 (Ninety) *days* after bid opening and must be accompanied by a scanned copy of the bid security in pdf format amounting to a minimum of NRs. 1,350,000.00 which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid (i.e. November 13, 2021)
- 10. If the last date of purchasing and /or submission falls on a government holiday, then the next working day shall be considered as the last date. In such a case the validity period of the bid security shall remain the same as specified for the original last date of bid submission.
- 11. Bidders are advised to visit site and assess the actual site conditions before submitting their bid. The employer shall not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with preparation or submission of Bids.
- 12. The employer reserves the right to accept or reject, wholly or partly any or all the bids without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

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## Section I: Instructions to Bidders

A. General	
1. Scope of Bid	1.1 In connection with the Invitation for Bids indicated in the Bid Data Sheet (BDS), the Employer, as indicated in the BDS, issues this Bidding Document for the procurement of Works as specified in Section VI (Works Requirements). The <i>name, identification, and number</i> of Contracts of the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) are <b>provided in the BDS.</b>
	<ul> <li>1.2 Throughout this Bidding Document: <ul> <li>(a)the term "in writing" means communicated in written form and delivered against receipt;</li> <li>(b) except where the context requires otherwise, words indicating the singular also include the plural and words indicating the plural also include the singular; and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	(c) "day" means calendar day.
2. Source of Funds	2.1 GoN Funded: In accordance with its annual program and budget, approved by the GoN, the implementing agency <b>indicated in the BDS</b> plans to apply a portion of the allocated budget to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this Bidding Document is issued.
	Or
	Public Entities' own Resource Funded: In accordance with its annual program and budget, approved by the public entity, the implementing agency <b>indicated in the BDS</b> plans to apply a portion of the allocated budget to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this Bidding Document is issued.
	Or
	DP Funded: The GoN has applied for or received financing (hereinafter called "funds") from the Development Partner (hereinafter called "the DP") <b>indicated in the BDS</b> toward the cost of the project named in the BDS. The GoN intends to apply a portion of the funds to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this Bidding Document is issued.
	2.2 DP Funded: Payment by the DP will be made only at the request of the GoN and upon approval by the DP in accordance with the terms and conditions of the financing agreement between the GoN and the DP (hereinafter called the "Loan/Grant Agreement"), and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of that Loan/Grant Agreement. No party other than the GoN shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the funds.
3. Fraud and Corruption	3.1 Procuring Entities as well as Bidders, suppliers and contractors and their sub- contractors shall adhere to the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this:
	(a) the Employer adopts, for the purposes of this provision, the terms as defined below:
	(i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or

	soliciting, directly or indirectly, anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
	<ul> <li>(ii) "fraudulent practice" means any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(iii) "coercive practice" means impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;</li> </ul>
	(iv) "collusive practice" means an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including influencing improperly the actions of another party.
	<ul> <li>v) "obstructive practice" means (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to an investigation;</li> <li>(b) making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede an investigation; (c) failing to comply with requests to provide information, documents, or records in connection with an investigation; (d) threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or (e) materially impeding GoN/DP's contractual rights of audit or access to information; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>vi) "integrity violation" is any act which violates Anticorruption Policy, including (i) to (v) above and the following: abuse, conflict of interest, violations of GoN/DP sanctions, retaliation against whistleblowers or witnesses, and other violations of Anticorruption Policy, including failure to adhere to the highest ethical standard.</li> </ul>
(b	<ul> <li>b) the Employer will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations in competing for the contract;</li> </ul>
(c	DP will cancel the portion of the financing allocated to a contract if it determines at any time that representative(s) of the GoN or of a beneficiary of DP-financing engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices or other integrity violations during the procurement or the execution of that contract, without the GoN having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to DP to remedy the situation.
(d	I) DP will impose remedial actions on a firm or an individual, at any time, in accordance with DP's Anticorruption Policy and related Guidelines (as amended from time to time), including declaring ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to participate in DP-financed, - administered, or -supported activities or to benefit from an DP-financed, - administered, or -supported contract, financially or otherwise, if it at any time determines that the firm or individual has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices or other integrity violations; and
(e	e) The Contractor shall permit the GoN/DP to inspect the Contractor's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Contractor and to

	have them audited by auditors appointed by the GoN/DP, if so, required by the GoN/DP.
	3.2 The Bidder shall not carry out or cause to carry out the following acts with an intention to influence the implementation of the procurement process or the procurement agreement :
	<ul><li>(a) give or propose improper inducement directly or indirectly,</li><li>(b) distortion or misrepresentation of facts,</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>(c) engaging in corrupt or fraudulent practice or involving in such act,</li> <li>(d) interference in participation of other competing bidders,</li> <li>(e) coercion or threatening directly or indirectly to cause harm to the person or the property of any person to be involved in the procurement proceedings,</li> </ul>
	(f) collusive practice among bidders before or after submission of bids for distribution of works among bidders or fixing artificial/uncompetitive bid price with an intention to deprive the Employer the benefit of open competitive bid price,
	(g) Contacting the Employer with an intention to influence the Employer with regards to the bids or interference of any kind in examination and evaluation of the bids during the period from the time of opening of the bids until the notification of award of contract.
	3.3 PPMO, on the recommendation of the Procuring Entity may blacklist a Bidder for a period of one (1) to three (3) years for its conduct including on the following grounds and seriousness of the act committed by the bidder:
	<ul> <li>(a) if convicted by a court of law in a criminal offence which disqualifies the Bidder from participating in the contract,</li> <li>(b) if it is established that the contract agreement signed by the Bidder was based on false or misrepresentation of Bidder's qualification information,</li> <li>(c)if it at any time determines that the firm has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for, or in executing, a GoN/DP-financed contract.</li> <li>(d) if the Successful Bidder fails to sign the Contract.</li> </ul>
	3.4 A bidder declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO) and/or the DP in case of DP funded project, may be ineligible to bid for a contract during the period of time determined by the GoN, PPMO and/or the DP.
	3.5 In case of a natural person or firm/institution/company which is already declared blacklisted and ineligible by the GoN, any other new or existing firm/institution/company owned partially or fully by such Natural person or Owner or Board of director of blacklisted firm/institution/company; shall not be eligible bidder.
	3.6Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provisions of GCC (GCC 28.3 and 72.3(j).
4.Eligible Bidders	4.1 A Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, or government owned entity subject to ITB 4.5 or any combination of them in the form of a Joint Venture (JV) under an existing agreement, or with the intent to constitute a legally-enforceable joint venture. In the case of a JV:
	(a) all partners shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the

Contract in accordance with the Contract terms. Maximum number of JV shall be as <b>specified in the BDS.</b> and
(b) the JV shall nominate a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during Contract execution.
4.2 A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, shall have the nationality of an eligible country, in accordance with Section V (Eligible Countries). A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a citizen or is constituted, or incorporated, and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed sub-contractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including related services.
4.3 A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. A Bidder found to have a conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to be in a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process, if any of, including but not limited to, the following apply:
(a) they have controlling shareholders in common; or
(b) they receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them; or
(c) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this bid; or
(d) they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to material information about or improperly influence the Bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of the Employer regarding this bidding process; or
(e) a Bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process either individually or as a partner in a joint venture. This will result in the disqualification of all Bids in which it is involved. However, subject to any finding of a conflict of interest in terms of ITB 4.3 (a)-(d) above, this does not limit the participation of the same subcontractor in more than one bid; or
(f) a Bidder or any of its affiliated entity, participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the works that are the subject of the Bid; or
(g) a Bidder was affiliated with a firm or entity that has been hired (or is proposed to be hired) by the Employer as Engineer for the Contract.
4.4 A firm that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the GoN in accordance with ITB 3, at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter, shall be disqualified. A firm shall not be eligible to participate in any procurement activities under an DP-financed, -administered, or -supported project while under temporary suspension or debarment by DP pursuant to the DP's Anticorruption Policy (see ITB 3), whether such debarment was directly imposed by the DP, or enforced by other DPs pursuant to the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions. A bid from a temporary suspended or debarred firm will be rejected.
4.5 Enterprises owned by Government shall be eligible only if they can establish

	that they are legally and financially autonomous and operate under commercial law, and that they are not a dependent agency of the GoN.
	4.6 Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to the Employer, as the Employer shall reasonably request.
	4.7 Firms shall be excluded in any of the cases, if
	(a) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, Nepal prohibits any import of goods or Contracting of works or services from that country or any payments to persons or entities in that country. Where Nepal prohibits payments to a particular firm or for particular goods by such an act of compliance, that firm may be excluded;
	(b) DP Funded: as a matter of law or official regulation, Nepal prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the DP is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the supply of goods or related services required;
	(c) DP Funded: a firm sanctioned or temporarily suspended by the DP in relation to their guidelines or appropriate provisions on preventing and combating fraud and corruption in projects financed by them.
	4.8 In case a prequalification process has been conducted prior to the bidding process, this bidding is open only to prequalified Bidders.
5. Eligible Materials, Equipment and Services	5.1 The materials, equipment and services to be supplied under the Contract shall have their origin in any source countries as defined in accordance with Section V (Eligible Countries) and all expenditures under the Contract will be limited to such materials, equipment, and services. At the Employer's request, Bidders may be required to provide evidence of the origin of materials, equipment and services.
	5.2 For purposes of ITB 5.1 above, "origin" means the place where the materials and equipment are mined, grown, produced or manufactured, and from which the services are provided. Materials and equipment are produced when, through manufacturing, processing, or substantial or major assembling of components, a commercially recognized product results that differs substantially in its basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
B. Contents of Bidding Documents	
6. Sections of Bidding Document	6.1 The Bidding Document consist of Parts I, II, and III, which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read in conjunction with any Addenda issued in accordance with ITB 8.
	PART I Bidding Procedures Section I Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Section II Bid Data Sheet (BDS) Section III Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (EQC) Section IV Bidding Forms (BDF) Section V Eligible Countries PART II Requirements
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	Section VII Bill of Quantities (BOQ)
	PART III Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms Section VIII General Conditions of Contract (GCC) Section IX Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) Section X Contract Forms (COF)
	6.2 The Invitation for Bids issued by the Employer is not part of the Bidding Document.
	6.3 The Employer is not responsible for the completeness of the Bidding Document and their Addenda, if they were not obtained directly from the source stated by the Employer in the Invitation for Bids.
	6.4 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Document and to furnish with its bid all information and documentation as is required by the Bidding Documents. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Bidding Document may result in the rejection of the bid.
7. Clarification of Bidding Document, Site Visit, Pre-Bid Meeting	7.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Employer in writing at the Employer's address <b>indicated in BDS</b> or raise any question or curiosity during the pre-bid meeting if provided for in accordance with ITB 7.4.The Employer will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received within the period as mentioned in ITB 7.5. The Employer shall forward copies of its response to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document in accordance with ITB 6.3, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Employer deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a request for clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB 8 and ITB 22.2.
	7.2 The Bidder is advised to visit and examine the Site of Works and its surroundings and obtain for itself, on its own risk and responsibility, all information that may be necessary for preparing the bid and entering into a Contract for construction of the Works. The costs of visiting the Site shall be at the Bidder's own expense.
	7.3 The Bidder and any of its personnel or agents will be granted permission by the Employer to enter upon its premises and lands for the purpose of such visit, but only upon the express condition that the Bidder, its personnel, and agents will release and indemnify the Employer and its personnel and agents from and against all liability in respect thereof, and will be responsible for death or personal injury, loss of or damage to property, and any other loss, damage, costs, and expenses incurred as a result of the inspection.
	7.4 The Bidder's designated representative is invited to attend a pre-bid meeting, if <b>provided for in the BDS</b> . The purpose of the meeting will be to clarify issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage.
	7.5 The Bidder is requested, to submit any questions in writing, to reach the Employer as <b>mentioned in BDS.</b>

1. Documents       7.6 Minutes of the pre-bid meeting, including the text of the questions raised, without identifying the source, and the response segreen output to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document that may become necessary as a result of the pre-bid meeting. Will be transmitted promptly to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document that may become necessary as a result of the pre-bid meeting.         1.7. Nonattendance at the pre-bid meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of a Bidder.       1.7. Nonattendance at the pre-bid meeting will not be a cause for disqualification of a Bidder.         8. Amendment of Bidding Document by issuing agenda.       8.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the Employer may amend the Bidding Document by issuing agenda.         8. Amendment of Bidding Document by issuing agenda.       8.2 Any addendum sused shall be part of the Bidding Document and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Bidding Document from the Employer in accordance with ITB 6.3.         8.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum in the accuration in preparing there Bids, the Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of Bids, pursuant to ITB 22.2         0. Language of Bid       9.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Bid, and the Employer, shall be written in the language specified in the BDS. Supporting document passages in the language specified in the BDS. Supporting document passages in the language specified in the BDS. Supporting document passages in the language specified in the BDS. Supporting documents listed in TB 11.3, both envelopes and the Bid ding lonoring is working in the case. for purposes of interp		
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	jf) Bids submitted by a Joint Venture shall include a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement entered into by all partners. Alternatively, a Letter of Intent to execute a Joint Venture Agreement in the event of a successful Bid shall be signed by all partners and submitted with the Bid, together with a copy of the proposed agreement. The Joint Venture agreement, or letter of intent to enter into a Joint Venture including a draft agreement shall indicate at least the parts of the Works to be executed by the respective partners; and
	(k) Any other required documents, which is not against the provision of Procurement Act/Regulation/Directives and Standard Bidding Document issued by PPMO as specified in the <b>BDS</b> .
	11.3 The Price Bid shall comprise the following:
	(a) Letter of Price Bid;
	(b) completed Bill of Quantities (BoQ), in accordance with ITB 12 and ITB 14, or as stipulated in the BDS;
	(c) alternative price Bids, at Bidder's option and if permissible, in accordance with ITB 13;
	(d) Any other document required in the <b>BDS</b> .
	11.4 The Bidder is solely responsible for the authenticity of the submitted documents.
12. Letter of Bid and Schedules	12.1 The Letters of Technical Bid and Price Bid, Schedules, and all documents listed under ITB 11, shall be prepared using the relevant forms in Section IV (Bidding Forms) and in Section VII (Bill of Quantities). The forms must be completed without any alterations to the text, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.
13. Alternative Bids	13.1 Unless otherwise <b>specified in the BDS</b> , alternative bids shall not be considered.
	13.2 When alternative times for completion are explicitly invited, a statement to that effect will be <b>included in the BDS</b> , as will the method of evaluating different times for completion.
	13.3 When specified in the BDS pursuant to ITB 13.1, and subject to ITB 13.4 below, Bidders wishing to offer technical alternatives to the requirements of the Bidding Document must first price the Employer's design as described in the Bidding Document and shall further provide all information necessary for a complete evaluation of the alternative by the Employer, including drawings, design calculations, technical specifications, breakdown of prices, and proposed construction methodology and other relevant details. Only the technical alternatives, if any, of the lowest evaluated Bidder conforming to the basic technical requirements shall be considered by the Employer.
	13.4 When specified in the BDS, Bidders are permitted to submit alternative technical solutions for specified parts of the Works. Such parts will be identified in the BDS and described in Section VI (Works Requirements). The method for their evaluation will be stipulated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

Discounts	Bid and in the Schedules shall conform to the requirements specified below.
	14.2 The Bidder shall submit a bid for the whole of the works described in ITB 1.1 by filling in prices for all items of the Works, as identified in Section VII (Bill of Quantities). In case of Unit Rate Contracts, the Bidder shall fill in rates and prices for all items of the Works described in the Bill of Quantities. Items against which no rate or price is entered by the Bidder will not be paid for by the Employer when executed and shall be deemed covered by the rates for other items and prices in the Bill of Quantities.
	14.3 The price to be quoted in the Letter of Price Bid shall be the total price of the Bid, excluding any discounts offered. Absence of the total price in the Letter of Price Bid or the Bid Price in the Bill of Quantities shall result in rejection of the Bid.
	14.4 The Bidder shall quote any discounts and the methodology for their application in the Letter of Price Bid, in accordance with ITB 12.1.
	14.5 If so, indicated in ITB 1.1, bids are invited for individual Contracts or for any combination of Contracts (packages). Bidders wishing to offer any price reduction for the award of more than one Contract shall specify in their bid the price reductions applicable to each package, or alternatively, to individual Contracts within the package. Price reductions or discounts shall be submitted in accordance with ITB 14.4, provided the Bids for all Contracts are submitted and opened at the same time.
	14.6 Unless otherwise <b>provided in the BDS</b> and the Conditions of Contract, the prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed. If the prices quoted by the Bidder are subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract in accordance with the provisions of the Conditions of Contract, the Bidder shall furnish the indices and weightings for the price adjustment formulae in the Table of Adjustment Data in Section IV (Bidding Forms) and the Employer may require the Bidder to justify its proposed indices and weightings.
	14.7 All duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause, as of the date 30 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids, shall be included in the rates and prices and the total bid price submitted by the Bidder.
15. Currency of Bid and Payment	15.1 The currency of the bid and payment shall be in Nepalese Rupees.
16. Documents Comprising the Technical Proposal	16.1 The Bidder shall furnish a Technical Proposal including a statement of work methods, equipment, personnel, schedule, and any other information as stipulated in Section IV (Bidding Forms)in sufficient detail to demonstrate the adequacy of the Bidders' proposal to meet the work requirements and the completion time.
17. Documents Establishing the Qualifications of the Bidder	17.1 To establish its qualifications to perform the Contract in accordance with Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria) the Bidder shall provide the information requested in the corresponding information sheets

	included in Section IV (Bidding Forms).
18. Period of Validity of Bids	18.1 Bids shall remain valid for the period <b>specified in the BDS</b> after the bid submission deadline date prescribed by the Employer. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Employer as nonresponsive.
	18.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Employer may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a bid security is requested in accordance with ITB 19, it shall also be extended 30 days beyond the deadline of the extended validity period. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A Bidder granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its Bid and to include any additional conditions against the provisions specified in Bid Documents.
19. Bid Security	19.1 The Bidder shall furnish as part of its bid, in original form, a bid security as <b>specified in the BDS</b> . In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall upload scanned copy of Bid security letter at the time of electronic submission of the bid. The Bidder accepts that the scanned copy of the Bid security shall, for all purposes, be equal to the original. The details of original Bid Security and the scanned copy submitted with e-bid should be the same otherwise the bid shall be non-responsive.
	19.2 The bid security shall be, at the Bidder's option, in any of the following forms:
	<ul> <li>(a) an unconditional bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law or;</li> </ul>
	(b) a cash deposit voucher in the Employer's Account as <b>specified in BDS</b> .
	In the case of a bank guarantee, the bid security shall be submitted either using the Bid Security Form included in Section IV (Bidding Forms) or in another Form acceptable to the employer. The form must include the complete name of the Bidder. The bid security shall be valid for minimum thirty (30) days beyond the original validity period of the bid, or beyond any period of extension if requested under ITB 18.2.
	19.3 The bid security issued by any foreign Bank outside Nepal must be counter guaranteed by Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.
	19.4 Any bid not accompanied by an enforceable and substantially compliant bid security shall be rejected by the Employer as nonresponsive. In case of e-Submission, if the scanned copy of an acceptable Bid Security letter is not uploaded with the electronic Bid then Bid shall be rejected.
	19.5 The bid security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned within three days, once the successful Bidder's furnishing of the required performance security and signing of the Contract Agreement pursuant to ITB 40.1 and 41.1
	19.6 The bid security shall be forfeited if: GoN funded:
	(a) a Bidder requests for withdrawal or modification of its bid, except as

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	provided in ITB 18.2:
	(i) during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Technical Bid and Price Bid, in case of electronic submission;
	(ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Technical Bid and Price Bid, in case of hard copy submission.
	(b)a Bidder changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to clause 27.1;
	(c) a Bidder involves in fraud and corruption pursuant to clause 3.1;
	(d) the successful Bidder fails to:
	(i) furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 40.1;
	(ii) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 41.1; or
	(iii) accept the correction of arithmetical errors pursuant to clause 33.1
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	(b) if the successful Bidder fails to
	(i) furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 40.1; or
	(ii) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 41.1;
	(iii) accept arithmetical corrections in accordance with ITB 33.1;
	19.7 The Bid Security of a Joint Venture shall be in the name of the Joint Venture that submits the bid. If the Joint Venture has not been legally constituted at the time of bidding, the Bid Security shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent mentioned in ITB 4.1.
20. Format and Signing of Bid	20.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original set of the Technical Bid and one
	<ul> <li>original of the Price Bid comprising the Bid as described in ITB 11 and clearly mark it "ORIGINAL – TECHNICAL BID" and "ORIGINAL – PRICE BID." Alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB 13, shall be clearly marked "ALTERNATIVE". In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the bid in the number specified in the BDS, and clearly mark each of them "COPY." In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.</li> <li>In case of e-submission of bid, the Bidder shall submit his bid electronically</li> </ul>
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	1.	Letter of Techni	cal Rid	Mandatory	PDF

2.	Bid Security/Bank Guarantee	Mandatory	PDF
3.	Company registration Certificate	Mandatory	PDF
4.	VAT registration Certificate	Mandatory for domestic bidders	PDF
5.	Business Registration Certificate	Mandatory	PDF
6.	Tax Clearance Certificate/Tax return submission evidence/evidence of time extension	Mandatory for domestic bidders	PDF
7.	Power of Attorney of Bid signatory	Mandatory	PDF
8.	Bank Voucher for cost of bid document	Mandatory	PDF
9.	Joint venture agreement	Mandatory in case of JV Bids Only	PDF
10	0. Qualification Documents	Mandatory	Using profile data (financial details, contract details etc.) and Technical Proposal
1	Additional documents] specified in ITB 11.2 (h)	If applicable	PDF

#### The required forms and documents shall be part of price bids.

No.	Document	Requirement	Remarks
1.	Letter of Price Bid	Mandatory	PDF
2.	Completed Bill of Quantities (BoQ)	Mandatory	Online Forms
3.	Price Adjustment Table	If applicable	Online Forms
4.	Additional Documents specified in ITB 11.3 (d)	If applicable	PDF

#### <u>Note:</u>

- a) Bidders (all partners in case of JV) should verify/update their profile documents as appropriate for the specific bid before submitting their bid electronically.
- viii. After providing all the details and documents, two separate bid response documents i.e. technical bids and price bids will be generated from the system. Bidders are advised to download and verify the response documents prior to bid submission.
  - ix. For verifying the authentic user, the system will send one-time password (OTP) in the registered e-mail address of the bidder. System will validate the OTP and allow bidder to submit their bid.
  - x. Electronically submitted bids can be modified and/or withdrawn

	<ul> <li>through system. The bidder may modify their bids multiple times online within bid submission date and time specified in e-GP system. Once a Bid is withdrawn, bidder won't be able to submit another bid response for the same bid.</li> <li>xi. The Bidder / Bid shall meet the following requirements and conditions for e-submission of bids;</li> <li>aa) The e-submitted bids must be readable through PDF reader.</li> <li>bb) The facility for submission of bid electronically through e-submission is to promote transparency, non-discrimination, equality of access, and open competition in the bidding process. The Bidders are fully responsible to use the e- submission facility properly in e-GP system as per specified procedures and in no case the Employer shall be held liable for Bidder's inability to use this facility.</li> <li>cc) When a bidder submits electronic bid through the PPMO e-GP portal, it is assumed that the bidder has prepared the bid by studying and examining the complete set of the Bidding documents including specifications, drawings and conditions of</li> </ul>
	contract. 21.2. The inner and outer envelopes shall:
	(aa) bear the name and address of the Bidder;
	(bb) be addressed to the Employer as provided in BDS 22.1;
	(cc) bear the specific identification of this bidding process indicated in BDS 1.1; and
	21.3 The outer envelope and the inner envelope containing Technical Proposal shall bear a warning not to open before the time and date for the opening of Technical Bid in accordance with ITB 25.1.
	21.4 The inner envelope containing the Price Bid shall bear a warning not to open until advised by the Employer in accordance with ITB 25.7
	21.5 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Employer will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.
22. Deadline for Submission of Bids	22.1 Bids must be received by the Employer at the address and no later than the date and time indicated <b>in the BDS</b> .
	In case of e-submission, the standard time for e-submission is Nepal Standard Time as set out in the server. The e-procurement system will accept the e-submission of bid from the date of publishing of notice and will automatically not allow the e-submission of bid after the deadline for submission of bid.
	22.2 The Employer may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids by amending the Bidding Document in accordance with ITB 8, in which case all rights and obligations of the Employer and Bidders previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.
23. Late Bids	23.1 The Employer shall not consider any bid that arrives after the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB 22. Any bid received by the Employer after the deadline for submission of bids shall be declared late,

	rejected, and returned unopened to the Bidder.
24. Withdrawal, and Modification of Bids	24.1 A Bidder may withdraw, or modify its bid- Technical or Price - after it has been submitted either in hard copy or by e-submission. Once a Bid is withdrawn, bidder shall not be able to submit another bid for this bidding process. Procedures for withdrawal or modification of submitted bids are as follows:
	(i) Bids submitted in Hard Copy GoN Funded:
	a) Bidders may withdraw or modify its bids by sending a written notice in a sealed envelope, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization in accordance with ITB 20.2. The corresponding modification of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:
	(aa)prepared and submitted in accordance with ITB 20 and ITB 21, and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL", "MODIFICATION;" and
	(bb) received by the Employer twenty-four hour prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB 22.
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	ii) received by the Employer prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of Bids, in accordance with ITB 22.
	ii) E-submitted bids.
	<ul> <li>a) Bidder may submit modification or withdrawal prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids through e-GP system by using the forms and instructions provided by the system.</li> </ul>
	24.2 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB 24.1 shall not be opened. In case of hard copy submission, the Bid will be returned unopened to the Bidders.
	24.3 The following provisions apply for withdrawal or modification of the Bids:
	GoN Funded:
	(i) In case of bids submitted in hard copy no bid shall be withdrawn or modified in the interval between 24 hours prior to the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid or any extension thereof.
	(ii) In case of e-submitted bids no bids shall be withdrawn or modified in the interval between deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Technical Bid and Price Bid or any extension thereof.
	DP Funded:
	No Bid may be withdrawn or modified in the interval between the

	<ul> <li>deadline for submission of Bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letters of Technical Bid and Price Bid or any extension thereof.</li> <li>24.4 Except in case of any modification or correction in bid document made by procuring entity, Bidder may submit request for withdrawal or modification only one time.</li> <li>24.5 In case of hard copy bid, no bid may be withdrawn if the bid has already been modified; except in case of any modification or correction in bid document by procuring entity.</li> <li>24.6 Request for withdrawal or modification must be made through the same medium of submission. Request for withdrawal or modifications through</li> </ul>
25. Bid Opening	<ul> <li>different medium shall not be considered.</li> <li>25.1 The Employer shall open the Technical Bids in public at the address, on the date and time <b>specified in the BDS</b> in the presence of Bidders` designated representatives who choose to attend. The Price Bids will remain unopened and will be held in custody of the Employer until the specified time of their opening. If the Technical Bid and Price Bid are submitted together in one envelope, the Employer shall reject the entire Bid.</li> </ul>
	25.2 The Employer shall download the e-submitted Technical Bid. The e-GP system allows the Employer to download the e-submitted technical bid only after bid opening date and time after login simultaneously by at least two members of the Bid Opening Committee.
	25.3 Electronically submitted Technical Bid shall be opened at first in the same time and date as specified above. Electronic Bids shall be opened one by one and read out. The e-submitted technical bids must be readable through open standards interfaces. Unreadable and or partially submitted bid files shall be considered incomplete.
	25.4 Thereafter, envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened and read out and the envelope with the corresponding Bid shall not be opened, but returned to the Bidder. No bid withdrawal shall be Permitted unless the corresponding withdrawal notice contains a valid authorization to request the withdrawal and is read out at bid opening. Next, envelopes marked "MODIFICATION "shall be opened and read out with the corresponding bid. No Technical Bid and/or Price Bid modification shall be permitted unless the corresponding modification notice contains a valid authorization to request the modification and is read out and recorded at bid opening. Only the Technical Bid, both Original as well as Modification, are to be opened, read out, and recorded at the opening. Price Bids, both Original and Modification, will remain unopened in accordance with ITB 25.1.
	25.5 All other envelopes holding the Technical Bid shall be opened one at a time, reading out: the name of the Bidder; whether there is a modification; the presence of a bid security and any other details as the Employer may consider appropriate.
	Only Technical Bids read out and recorded at bid opening shall be considered for evaluation.
	No bid shall be rejected at opening of Technical Bids except for late bids, in

	accordance with ITB 23.1.
	25.6The Employer shall prepare a record of the opening of Technical Bids that shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Bidder and whether there is a withdrawal, or modification; and the presence or absence of a bid security. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record.
	25.7 At the end of the evaluation of the Technical Bids, the Employer will invite bidders who have submitted substantially responsive Technical Bids and who have been determined as being qualified for award to attend the opening of the Price Bids. The date, time, and location of the opening of Price Bids will be advised in writing by the Employer. Bidders shall be given at least 7 days' notice for the opening of Price Bids.
	25.8 The Employer will notify Bidders in writing who have been rejected on the grounds of their Technical Bids being substantially nonresponsive to the requirements of the Bidding Document and return their Price Bids unopened.
	25.9 The Employer shall conduct the opening of Price Bids of all Bidders who submitted substantially responsive Technical Bids, in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address, on the date, and time specified by the Employer. The Bidder's representatives who are present shall be requested to sign a register evidencing their attendance.
	25.10 All envelopes containing Price Bids shall be opened one at a time and the following read out and recorded:
	(a) the name of the Bidder;
	(b) whether there is a modification;
	(c) the Bid Prices, including any discounts and alternative offers; and
	(d) any other details as the Employer may consider appropriate.
	Only Price Bids, discounts, modifications, and alternative offers read out and recorded during the opening of Price Bids shall be considered for evaluation. No Bid shall be rejected at the opening of Price Bids.
	25.11 The Employer shall prepare a record of the opening of Price Bids that shall include, as a minimum, the name of the Bidder, the Bid Price (per lot if applicable), any discounts, modifications and alternative offers. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record.
	E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids
26. Confidentiality	

	bids or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its bid.
	26.3 Notwithstanding ITB 26.2, from the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Employer on any matter related to the bidding process, it may do so in writing.
27. Clarification of Bids	27.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, and comparison of the Technical and Price Bids, the Employer may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder that is not in response to a request by the Employer shall not be considered. The Employer's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the substance of the Technical Bid or prices in the Price Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Employer in the evaluation of the Price Bids, in accordance with ITB 33. In case of e-submission of bid, upon notification from the employer, the bidder shall also submit the original of documents comprising the Technical and Price Bid as per ITB 11.2 and ITB 11.3 for verification of submitted documents for acceptance of the e-submitted bid.
	27.2 If a Bidder does not provide clarifications of its Bid by the date and time set in the Employer's request for clarification, its Bid may be rejected.
28. Deviations, Reservations, and Omissions	<ul><li>28.1 During the evaluation of bids, the following definitions apply:</li><li>(a) "Deviation" is a departure from the requirements specified in the Bidding Document;</li></ul>
	(b) "Reservation" is the setting of limiting conditions or withholding from complete acceptance of the requirements specified in the Bidding Document; and
	(c) "Omission" is the failure to submit part or all of the information or documentation required in the Bidding Document.
29. Examination of Technical Bid	29.1The Employer shall examine the Technical Bid to confirm that all documents and technical documentation requested in ITB 11.2 have been provided, and to determine the completeness of each document submitted.
	29.2 The Employer shall confirm that the following documents and information have been provided in the Technical Bid. If any of these documents or information is missing, the offer shall be rejected.
	(a) Letter of Technical Bid;
	(b) written confirmation of authorization to commit the Bidder;
	(c) Bid Security; and
	(d) Technical Proposal in accordance with ITB 16
	(e) Clauses (e), (f) and (g) have been added in the BDS
30. Determination of Responsiveness of Technical Bid	30.1 The Employer's determination of a Bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself, as defined in ITB11.2.
	30.2 A substantially responsive Technical Bid is one that meets the requirements of the Bidding Document without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that,

	(a) if acconted would:
	(a) if accepted, would:
	<ul> <li>(i) affect in any substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Works specified in the Contract;</li> </ul>
	or
	<ul> <li>(ii) limit in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Document, the Employer's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the proposed Contract; or</li> </ul>
	(b) if rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other Bidders presenting substantially responsive bids.
	30.3 The Employer shall examine the technical aspects of the Bid submitted in accordance with ITB 16, Technical Proposal, in particular, to confirm that all requirements of Section VI (Works Requirements) have been met without any material deviation, reservation or omission.
	30.4 If a bid is not substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Document, it shall be rejected by the Employer and may not subsequently be made responsive by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.
	30.5 In case of e-submission bids, the Employer evaluates the bid on the basis of the information in the electronically submitted bid files. If the Bidder cannot substantiate or provide evidence to establish the information provided in e-submitted bid through documents/ clarifications as per ITB Clause 27.1, the bid shall not be considered for further evaluation.
	30.6 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder's bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.
	30.7Except in case of e-submission, the Financial Bid of the bidder, which is evaluated as substantially non-responsive in technical bid, shall be returned to the respective bidders.
31.NonconformitiesErr ors, and Omissions	31.1 Provided that a bid is substantially responsive, the Employer may waive any non-conformities in the bid that do not constitute a material deviation, reservation, or omission.
	31.2 Provided that a Technical Bid is substantially responsive, the Employer may request that the Bidder submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities in the Technical Bid related to documentation requirements. Requesting information or documentation on such nonconformities shall not be related to any aspect of the Price Bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its bid.
	31.3 Provided that a Technical Bid is substantially responsive, the Employer shall rectify quantifiable nonmaterial nonconformities related to the Bid Price. To this effect, the Bid Price shall be adjusted, for comparison purposes only, to reflect the price of a missing or non-conforming item or component. The adjustment shall be made using the methods indicated in

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	Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).
	31.4 If the monetary value of such non-conformities is found to be more than fifteen percent of the Bid Price of the bidder pursuant to ITB <b>31.3</b> , such bid shall be considered nonresponsive and shall not be involved in evaluation.
32 Qualification of the Bidder	32.1 The Employer shall determine to its satisfaction during the evaluation of Technical Bids whether Bidders meet the qualifying criteria specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).
	32.2 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 17.1.
	32.3 An affirmative determination shall be a prerequisite for the opening and evaluation of a Bidder's Price Bid. A negative determination shall result into the disqualification of the Bid, in which event the Employer shall return the unopened Price Bid to the Bidder.
33. Correction of Arithmetical Errors	33.1 During the evaluation of Price Bids, the Employer shall correct arithmetical errors on the following basis:
	(a) only for unit price Contracts, if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of the Employer there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the total price as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
	(b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected;
	(c) If there is a discrepancy between the bid price in the Summary of Bill of Quantities and the bid amount in item (c) of the Letter of Price Bid, the bid price in the Summary of Bill of Quantities will prevail and the bid amount in item (c) of the Letter of Price Bid will be corrected.
	<ul> <li>(d) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a), (b) and (c) above.</li> </ul>
	33.2 If the Bidder that submitted the lowest evaluated bid does not accept the correction of errors, its bid shall be disqualified and its bid security shall be forfeited.
34 Subcontractors	34.1 In case of Prequalification, the Bidder's Bid shall name the same subcontractor as submitted in the prequalification application and approved by the Employer.
	In case of Post-qualification, the Employer may permit subcontracting for certain specialized works as indicated in Section III When subcontracting is permitted by the Employer, the sub-contractor shall meet the qualifications criteria as indicated in section III.
	Sub-contractors' qualification and experience will not be considered for evaluation of the Bidder. The Bidder on its own (without taking into account the qualification and experience of the sub-contractor) should

	meet the qualification criteria.
	Bidders may propose subcontracting up to the percentage of total value of contracts or the volume of works as <b>specified in the BDS</b> .
35. Evaluation of Price Bids	35.1 The Employer shall use the criteria and methodologies listed in this Clause. No other evaluation criteria or methodologies shall be permitted.
	35.2 To evaluate a Price Bid, the Employer shall consider the following:
	(a) the bid price, excluding Value Added Tax, Provisional Sums, and the provision, if any, for contingencies in the Summary Bill of Quantities, for Unit Rate Contracts, or Schedule of Prices for lump sum Contracts, but including Day work items, where priced competitively;
	(b) price adjustment for correction of arithmetic errors in accordance with ITB 33.1;
	(c) price adjustment due to discounts offered in accordance with ITB 14.4;
	(d) adjustment for nonconformities in accordance with ITB 31.3;
	(e) application of all the evaluation factors indicated in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria);
	35.3 The estimated effect of the price adjustment provisions of the Conditions of Contract, applied over the period of execution of the Contract, shall not be taken into account in bid evaluation.
	35.4 If this Bidding Document allows Bidders to quote separate prices for different Contracts, and to award multiple Contracts to a single Bidder, the methodology to determine the lowest evaluated price of the Contract combinations, including any discounts offered in the Letter of Price Bid, is specified in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).
	35.5 if the bid for an Unit Rate Contract, which results in the lowest Evaluated Bid Price is seriously unbalanced or front loaded <b>or extremely low</b> in the opinion of the Employer, the Employer may require the Bidder to produce detailed price analysis for any or all items of the Bill of Quantities, to demonstrate the internal consistency of those prices with the construction methods and schedule proposed. After evaluation of the price analysis, taking into consideration the schedule of estimated Contract payments, the Employer may require that the amount of the performance security be increased at the expense of the Bidder as <b>mentioned in BDS</b> to protect the Employer against financial loss in the event of default of the successful Bidder under the Contractor <b>may consider the bid as non-responsive</b> .
	35.6 In case of e-submission bids, the Employer evaluates the bid on the basis of the information in the electronically submitted bid files. If the Bidder cannot substantiate or provide evidence to establish the information provided in e-submitted bid through documents/ clarifications as per ITB Clause 27.1, the bid shall not be considered for further evaluation.

	35.7 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder's bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.
36. Comparison of Bids	36.1 The Employer shall compare all substantially responsive bids in accordance with ITB 35.2 to determine the lowest evaluated bid.
37. Employer's Right to Accept Any Bid, and to Reject Any or All Bids	37.1 The Employer reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all Bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders. In case of annulment, all Bids submitted and specifically, bid securities, shall be promptly returned to the Bidders.
	F. Award of Contract
38. Award Criteria	38.1 The Employer shall award the Contract to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid and is substantially responsive to the Bidding Document, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
39. Letter of Intent to Award the Contract/Notificati on of Award	39.1 The Employer shall notify the concerned Bidder whose bid has been selected in accordance with ITB 38.1 within seven days of the selection of the bid, in writing that the Employer has intention to accept its bid and the information regarding the name, address and amount of selected bidder shall be given to all other bidders who submitted the bid.
	39.2 If no bidder submits an application pursuant to ITB 42 within a period of seven days of the notice provided under ITB 39.1, the Employer shall, accept the bid selected in accordance with ITB 38.1 and Letter of Acceptance shall be communicated to the selected bidder prior to the expiration of period of Bid validity, to furnish the performance security and sign the contract within fifteen days.
	39.3 In Case, a corruption case is being filed to Court against the Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV, such Natural Person or Board of Director of the firm/institution /company or any partner of JV such bidder's bid shall be excluded from the evaluation, if public entity receives instruction from Government of Nepal.
40. Performance Security and Line of Credit	40.1 Within Fifteen (15) days of the receipt of Letter of Acceptance from the Employer, the successful Bidder shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, subject to ITB 35.5, as specified below from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal using Sample Form for the Performance Security included in Section X (Contract Forms), or another form acceptable to the Employer. The performance security issued by any foreign Bank outside Nepal must be counter guaranteed by Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.
	i) If bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is up to 15 (fifteen) percent below the approved cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be 5 (five) percent of the bid price.

	ii) For the bid price of the bidder selected for acceptance is more than 15 (fifteen) percent below of the cost estimate, the performance security amount shall be determined as follows:
	Performance Security Amount = [(0.85 x Cost Estimate –Bid Price) x 0.5] + 5% of Bid Price.
	The Bid Price and Cost Estimate shall be inclusive of Value Added Tax.
	Within Fifteen (15) days of the receipt of Letter of Acceptance from the Employer, the successful Bidder shall furnish the Letter of Commitment for Bank's Undertaking for Line of Credit of the amount as specified in the BDS, using Sample Form for the Line of Credit included in Section X (Contract Forms) at the time of contract agreement.
	40.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security and Line of Credit or to sign the Contract Agreement shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the bid security. In that event the Employer may award the Contract to the next lowest evaluated Bidder whose offer is substantially responsive and is determined by the Employer to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily. The process shall be repeated according to ITB 39.
41 Signing of Contract	41.1 The Employer and the successful Bidder shall sign the Contract Agreement within the period as stated ITB 40.1.
	41.2 At the same time, the Employer shall affix a public notice on the result of the award on its notice board and make arrangement for causing such notice to be affixed on the notice board also of the <i>District Coordination Committee, District Administration Office, Provincial Treasury and Controller Office and District Treasury and Controller Office.</i> The Employer may make arrangements to post the notice into its website, if it has; and if it does not have, into the website of the Public Procurement Monitoring Office, identifying the bid and lot numbers and the following information: (i) the result of evaluation of bid; (ii) date of publication of notice; (v) item of procurement; (vi) name and address of bidder making contract and (viii) contract price
	41.3 Within thirty (30) days from the date of issuance of notification pursuant to ITB 39.1 unsuccessful bidders may request in writing to the Employer for a debriefing seeking explanations on the grounds on which their bids were not selected. The Employer shall promptly respond in writing to any unsuccessful Bidder who, requests for debriefing.
	41.4 If the bidder whose bid has been accepted fails to sign the contract as stated ITB 40.1, the Public Procurement Monitoring Office shall blacklist the bidder on recommendation of the Public Entity.
42. Complaint and Review	42.1 If a Bidder is dissatisfied with the Procurement proceedings or thedecision made by the Employer in opening of the price bid or the intention to award the Contract, it may file an application to the Chief of the Public Entity or Public Procurement Monitoring Office or office established as per Clause 145(a) of the Public Procurement Regulation within Seven (7) days of providing the notice under ITB 25.8 and ITB 39.1 by the Public Entity, for review of the proceedings stating the factual and legal grounds.

42.2 Late application filed after the deadline pursuant to ITB 42.1 shall not be processed.
42.3 The chief of Public Entity shall, within five (5) days after receiving the application, give its decision with reasons, in writing pursuant to ITB 42.1:
<ul> <li>(a) whether to suspend the procurement proceeding and indicate the procedure to be adopted for further proceedings; or</li> </ul>
(b) to reject the application.
The decision of the chief of Public Entity shall be final for the Bid amount up to the value as stated in 42.4.
42.4 If the Bidder is not satisfied with the decision of the Public Entity in accordance with ITB 42.3, is not given within five (5) days of receipt of application pursuant to ITB 42.1, it can, within seven (7) days of receipt of such decision, file an application to the Review Committee of the GoN, stating the reason of its disagreement on the decision of the chief of Public Entity and furnishing the relevant documents, provided that its Bid amount ,equal or more than Rupees Twenty Million (NRs. 20,000,000). The application may be sent by hand, by post, by courier, or by electronic media at the risk of the Bidder itself.
42.5 Late application filed after the deadline pursuant to ITB 42.4 shall not be processed.
42.6 Within three (3) days of the receipt of application from the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 42.4, the Review Committee shall notify the concerning Public Entity to furnish its procurement proceedings, pursuant to ITB 42.3.
42.7 Within three (3) days of receipt of the notification pursuant to ITB 42.6, the Public Entity shall furnish the copy of the related documents to the Review Committee.
42.8 The Review Committee, after inquiring from the Bidder and the Public Entity, if needed, shall give its decision within one (1) month of the receipt of the application filed by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB 42.4.
42.9 The Bidder, filing application pursuant to ITB 42.4, shall have to furnish a cash amount or Bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law equivalent to one percent (1%) of its quoted Bid amount with the validity period of at least ninety (90) days from the date of the filing of application pursuant to ITB 42.4.
42.10 If the claim made by the Bidder pursuant to ITB 42.4 is justified, the Review Committee shall have to return the security deposit to the applicant, pursuant to ITB 42.9, within seven (7) days of such decision made.

## Section II: Bid Data Sheet

A. General		
ITB 1.1	The number of the Invitation for Bids is: <i>MBUSTDB/W/NCB-03/2077/78</i>	
ITB 1.1	The Employer is: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board	
ITB 1.1	The number and identification of lots comprising this bidding process is: <i>MBUSTDB/W/NCB-03/2077/78</i>	
ITB 2.1	The name of the Project is <i>Construction of Grid Connected Solar PV System</i> The DP is <i>: NA</i>	
	The implementing agency is: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology	
	Development Board	
	GoN Funded or DP Funded: GoN Funded	
ITB 4.1 (a)	Maximum number of partners in a joint venture shall be: <b>3 (three)</b>	
ITB 4.4	For DP: Not Applicable	
	B. Bidding Document	
ITB 7.1	For clarification purposes only, the Employer's address is:	
	Attention: Mr. Sujan Adhikari	
	Address: Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Ward No. 18, Nepal	
	Telephone: (+977) 9840088016, 9840436793 and 6846848053	
	Electronic mail address: <a href="mailto:info@mbustb.edu.np">info@mbustb.edu.np</a>	
ITB 7.4	A Pre-Bid meeting <i>shall be</i> held.	
	The Online Pre-Bid Meeting will Take place at the following date and time:	
	Date: June 18, 2021 (2077/03/04)	
	Time: 12:00 Noon	
	Interested bidders may request for link and password through e-mail for attending the Online Pre-Bid Meeting.	
	A site visit <i>shall not be</i> organized by the Employer.	
ITB 7.5	Time for request: Requests for clarification should be received by the Employer no later than <b>10 days</b> prior to the deadline for submission of bids.	

	C. Preparation of Bids	
ITB 10.1	The language of the bid is: English / Nepali	
ITB 11.2 (h)	The Bidder shall submit with its Technical Bid the following additional documents	
	(a) Letter of Technical Bid;	
	(b) Up to date firm/company registration certificate.	
	(c) Business Registration licenses.	
	(d) VAT and PAN registration certificate.	
	(e) TAX clearance certificate up to Fiscal year 2076/77.	
	(f) Bid Security in accordance with ITB 19;	
	(g) Alternative Bids, at Bidder's option and if permissible, in accordance with ITB 13;	
	<ul> <li>(h) Written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB 20.2;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(i) Documentary evidence in accordance with ITB 17, establishing the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract;</li> </ul>	
	(j) Technical Proposal in accordance with ITB 16;	
	(k) Clause-by-clause compliance with the technical specifications	
	<ul> <li>(I) Technical datasheets, ISO certificates, IEC test certificates, manufacturer's authorization, warranty and all other relevant documents/certificates as mentioned in the technical specifications</li> </ul>	
	(m) Design and drawings as mentioned in the technical specifications	
	(n) In the case of a bid submitted by a JV, the JV agreement, or letter of intent to enter into a JV including a draft agreement, indicating at least the parts of the Works to be executed by the respective partners along with the above company documents of each JV partner; and	
	(0) Tax clearance certificate and JV agreements for the verification of the turnover of best three years	
ITB 11.3 (b)	In accordance with ITB 12 and ITB 14, the following schedules shall be submitted with the bid, including the priced Bill of Quantities for Unit Rate: Manpower Schedule, Equipment Schedule, Project Organization, Mobilization Schedule, Construction Schedule	
11.3 (d)	The Bidder shall submit with its Price Bid the following additional documents:	
	(a) Letter of price bid in separate envelope	
	(b) Bill of quantities	
ITB 13.1	Alternative bids <i>shall not be</i> permitted.	
ITB 13.2	Alternative times for completion <i>shall not be</i> permitted.	
ITB 13.4	Alternative technical solutions shall not be permitted.	
ITB 14.6	The prices quoted by the Bidder <i>shall not be</i> subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract.	
ITB 16.	ITB Clause 16.1 has been amended as:	
	16.1 The Bidder shall furnish a Technical Proposal including a statement of work methods, equipment, personnel, schedule, and any other information as stipulated in	

	Section IV (Bidding Forms) in sufficient detail to demonstrate the adequacy of the Bidders' proposal to meet the work requirements and the completion time.
ITB 18.1	The bid validity period shall be: <i>Ninety (90) days.</i>
ITB 19.1	The Bidder shall furnish a bid security, from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law with a minimum of NRs. 1.35 Million which shall be valid for 30 days beyond the validity period of the bid (i.e. November 13, 2021).
ITB 19.2 (b)	Not Applicable
ITB 20.1	In addition to the original of the bid, the number of copy/ies is/are: Not Applicable
ITB 20.2	The written confirmation of authorization to sign on behalf of the Bidder shall indicate:
	(a) The name and description of the documentation required to demonstrate the authority of the signatory to sign the Bid such as a Power of Attorney; and
	(b) In the case of Bids submitted by an existing or intended JV, an undertaking signed by all parties
	(i) stating that all parties shall be jointly and severally liable, and
	(ii) nominating a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution.
	D. Submission and Opening of Bids
ITB 21.1	Bidders shall have the option of submitting their bids by electronic only.
ITB 22.1	For bid submission purposes only, the Employer's address is: Attention: Prof. Rajendra Dhoj Joshi, Chairperson, MBUSTDB Address: Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Ward No. 18, Nepal The deadline for bid submission is: Date: July 15, 2021 Time: 13:00 hours
ITB 25.1	The Technical Bid opening shall take place at: Address: Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Ward No. 18, Nepal Date: July 15, 2021 Time: 14:00 hours
ITB 29.2	Following sub-clause has been added after bullet (d):
110 29.2	(e) Clause-by-clause compliance with the technical specifications
	<ul> <li>(e) Clause-by-clause compliance with the technical specifications</li> <li>(f) Technical datasheets, ISO certificates, IEC test certificates, manufacturer's authorization, warranty, and all other relevant documents/certificates as mentioned in the technical specifications</li> </ul>
	(g) Design and drawings as mentioned in the technical specifications
	E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids
ITB 34.1	a) Contractor's proposed subcontracting: Maximum percentage of subcontracting permitted is: Not Applicable.

ITB 35.5	The amount of the performance security be increased by <b>Eight (8)</b> percent of the quoted bid price.
ITB 40.1	Letter of Commitment for Bank's Undertaking for Line of Credit shall be of NRs. 34.3 Million

### Section III: Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

This Section contains all the criteria that the Employer shall use to evaluate bids and qualify Bidders by post-qualification exercise. GoN/DP requires bidders to be qualified by meeting predefined, precise minimum requirements. The method sets pass-fail criteria, which, if not met by the bidder, results in disqualification. In accordance with ITB 32 and ITB 35, no other methods, criteria and factors shall be used. The Bidder shall provide all the information requested in the forms included in Section IV (Bidding Forms).

#### 1. Evaluation

In addition to the criteria listed in ITB 35.2 (a) - (e) the following criteria shall apply:

Note:

Use the evaluation criteria listed below as appropriate and required for the project.

#### 1.1 Adequacy of Technical Proposal

Evaluation of the Bidder's Technical Proposal will include an assessment of the Bidder's technical capacity, to mobilize key equipment and personnel for the contract consistent with its proposal regarding work methods, scheduling, and material sourcing in sufficient detail and fully in accordance with the requirements stipulated in Section VI (Works Requirements).

#### **1.2 Multiple Contracts**

Multiple Contracts, if permitted under ITB 35.4, will be evaluated as follows:

#### Award Criteria for Multiple Contracts [ITB 35.4]:

Bidders have the option to Bid for any one or more Contracts. Bids will be evaluated taking into account discounts offered, if any, for combined contracts. The contract(s) will be awarded to the Bidder or Bidders offering the lowest evaluated cost to the Employer for combined contracts, subject to the selected Bidder(s) meeting the required qualification criteria for combination of multiple contracts as the case may be.

#### **Qualification Criteria for Multiple Contracts:**

The criteria for qualification shall be the sum of the minimum requirements for respective individual contracts as specified under items 2.3.2, 2.3.3, and 2.4.2b.

With respect to the Contracts of Similar Size and Nature under item 2.4.2(a). of Section III, the evaluation shall be done as below:

N is the minimum number of contracts as per Note (2) of 2.4.2 Specific Construction Experience

V is the minimum value of a single contract as per Note (3) of 2.4.2 Specific Construction

#### Experience

i. Minimum requirements for combined contract(s) shall be the aggregate requirements for each contract for which the bidder has submitted bids as follows, and N1,N2,N3, etc. shall be different contracts:

Contract 1: N1 contracts, each of minimum value V1;

Contract 2: N2 contracts, each of minimum value V2;

Contract 3: N3 contracts, each of minimum value V3;----etc.

and

ii. Total number of contracts is equal or less than N1 + N2 + N3 + --but the total value of all such contracts is equal or more than  $N1 \times V1 + N2 \times V2 + N3 \times V3 + ---$ .

#### 1.3 In Case, other than Multiple Contracts

Bidders have the option to Bid for any one or more Contracts. The contracts will be awarded to the Bidder or Bidders offering the lowest evaluated cost to the Employer, subject to the selected Bidder(s) meeting the required qualification which shall be the sum of the minimum requirements for respective individual contracts as specified under items Required Bid Capacity as per 2.3.3. Under this case, Contract shall be awarded based on Least Cost Combination to the Employer.

#### **1.4 Completion Time**

An alternative Completion Time, if permitted under ITB 13.2, will be evaluated as follows: **NA** 

#### **1.5 Alternative Technical Solutions**

Alternative technical solutions, if permitted under ITB 13.4, will be evaluated as follows: **NA** 

#### 2. Qualification

#### 2.1 Eligibility

Criteria		Compli	ance Requirem	ents	Documents
		L	loint Venture		Submission
Requirement	Single Entity	All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	
2.1.1 Nationality					
Nationality in accordance with ITB sub-clause 4.2	must meet requirement	must meet requirement	must meet requirement	not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid Forms ELI –1; ELI –2 with attachments
	2.1	.2 Conflict of In	terest	•	
No conflicts of interest in accordance with ITB Sub- Clause 4.3. Not having been declared ineligible by government/DP, as described in ITB Sub-	must meet requirement 2.1.3 ( must meet requirement	existing or intended JV must meet requirement Government/DP must meet requirement	must meet requirement Eligibility must meet requirement	not applicable not applicable	Letter of Technical Bid Letter of Technical Bid
Clause 4.4.					
	2.1.4 (	Government-ow	ned Entity	1	
Bidder required to meet conditions of ITB Sub- Clause 4.5.	must meet requirement	existing or intended JV must meet requirement	must meet requirement	not applicable	Forms ELI - 1, ELI - 2, with attachments
		2.1.5 UN Eligibi	lity	1	
Not having been declared	must meet	existing or	must meet	not	Letter of

ineligible based on a United Nations resolution or Employer's country law, as described in ITB Sub-Clause 4.8.	requirement	intended JV must meet requirement	requirement	applicable	Technical Bid
2.1.6 Other Eligibility					
Firm Registration Certificate	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
Business Registration Certificate (License for Construction)	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
VAT/PAN Registration certificate (only for National Bidders)	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment
Tax Clearance Certificate of F.Y. 2076/77	must meet requirement	not applicable	must meet requirement	not applicable	Document attachment

#### 2.2 Pending Litigation

Criteria	Criteria			Compliance Requirements		
	L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L				Submission	
Requirement	Single Entity	All Partners	Each Partner	One Partner	Requirements	
		Combined	Each Partner	One Partner		
2.2.1 Pending Litigation						
All pending litigation shall be treated as resolved against the Bidder and so shall in total not represent more than <b>50 percent</b> of the Bidder's net worth.	must meet requirement by itself or as partner to past or existing JV	not applicable	must meet requirement by itself or as partner to past or existing JV	not applicable	Form LIT - 1	

#### **2.3 Financial Situation**

Criteria		Compli	Compliance Requirements			
		L	loint Venture		Submission	
Requirement	Single Entity	All Partners	Each Partner	One Partner	Requirements	
		Combined		One Partner		
2.3.1 Historical Financial Pe	erformance					
		r	1			
Submission of audited						
balance sheets and						
income statements, for						
the last <b>five (5)</b> years to						
demonstrate the current						
soundness of the Bidder's	must meet	and enables bla	must meet	not	Form FIN - 1	
financial position. As a	requirement	not applicable	requirement	applicable	with	
minimum, a Bidder's net					attachments	
worth calculated as the						
difference between total						
assets and total liabilities						
should be positive.						

2.3.2 Average Annual Turnover

Minimum average annual turnover of NRs <b>75 Million</b> calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, of the best 3 years within the last 10 years	requirement	must meet requirement	must meet <b>25%</b> of the requirement	must meet <b>40%</b> of the requirement	Form FIN -2
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Only the net amount shall be calculated after deducting the amount for VAT and such amount shall be adjusted to present value by applying wholesale price index of Nepal Rastra Bank.

#### 2.3.3 Required Bid Capacity

The bidding capacity of the					
bidder should be equal to or more than the NRs <b>75</b> <b>Million</b> .	must meet requirement	must meet requirement	must meet <b>25%</b> of the requirement	must meet <b>40%</b> of the requirement	Form FIN -3,4

#### 2.4 Experience

Criteria		Compliance Requirements			Documents
Requirement	Single	ngle Joint Venture			Submission
Requirement	Entity	All Partners Combined	Each Partner	One Partner	Requirement
2.4.1 General Experience					
Experience under similar					
contracts in the role of					
contractor, subcontractor,	must meet	not	must meet	not	
or management contractor	requirement	applicable	requirement	applicable	Form EXP - 1
for at least the last Five	requirement	applicable	requirement	applicable	
Years prior to the proposal					
submission deadline.					

2.4.2 Specific Experience	2							
(a) Contracts of Similar S	(a) Contracts of Similar Size and Nature							
Participation as Prime								
contractor, management								
contractor, or								
subcontractor, in at least								
One Contract, with a value								
of at least NRs. 15 Million								
excluding VAT that have								
been completed prior to								
the proposal submission	must meet	Not	not	must meet	Form EXP –			
deadline and that are	requirement	applicable	applicable	requirement	2(a)			
similar to the proposed								
works within the last ten								
(10) years. The similarity								
shall be based on the								
physical size, complexity,								
methods, technology or								
other characteristics as								
described in Section VI,								

Works F	Require	ements.					
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Only the net amount shall be calculated after deducting the amount for VAT and such amount shall be adjusted to the present value by applying wholesale price index of Nepal Rastra Bank.

(b) Construction Experience in Key Activities							
For the above or other contracts executed during the period stipulated in 2.4.2(a) above, a minimum construction experience in the following key activities: At least one Grid Connected Solar PV Project with Capacity of at least <b>150 kWp</b> completed in last ten (10) years. The copies of contract agreement and end user certificate must be provided.	must meet requirement	Not applicable	not applicable	Must meet requirement	Form EXP - 2(b)		
A cumulative capacity of at least 500 kWp Grid Connected Solar PV Project (s) completed in last 10 (ten) years. The copies of contract agreements and end user certificates must be provided.	must meet requirement	must meet requirement	not applicable	not applicable	Form EXP - 2(b)		

#### 2.5 Personnel

The Bidder must demonstrate that it has the personnel for the key positions that meet the following requirements:

SN.	Position	Required No.	Academic Qualification (Minimum)	Total Work Experience [Minimum]	Experience in Similar Works [Minimum]
1.	Project Manager (Solar PV Expert)	One	Master Degree in Electrical/Electronics or Renewable Energy Engineering	10 years in Solar PV System	7 Years of demonstrated experience in designing, technical standards and specifications, installation, testing & commissioning of Solar
2.	Electrical Engineer	Two	Bachelor in Electrical/Electronics Engineering	5 years in Solar PV System	PV Projects 5 Years of demonstrated experience in designing, installation, testing & commissioning of Solar PV Projects
3.	Civil Engineer	One	Bachelor in Civil Engineering	5 Years	5 Years of demonstrated experience in solar PV system, design drawings and structural analysis
4.	AutoCAD Designer	One	Bachelor in Civil Engineering	5 Years	5 Years of demonstrated experience in 3D, 2D, AutoCAD design drawings in the field of solar PV system

In case the bidder proposes to consider Personnel that may be spared from committed/ongoing contracts for evaluation, the bidder shall provide details of personnel which will be spared from such committed/ongoing contracts based on the physical progress at the date of bid submission.

The Bidder shall provide details of the proposed personnel and their experience records in the relevant Information Forms included in Section IV (Bidding Forms).

Note:

The managerial and technical competence of a contractor is largely related to the key personnel on site. The extent to which the Bidder should demonstrate having staff with extensive experience should be limited to those requiring critical operational or technical skills. The qualification criteria should therefore refer to a limited number of such key personnel, for instance, the project manager and those superintendents working under the project manager who will be responsible for major components (e.g., superintendents specialized in designing, installation, testing & commissioning, as required for each particular project). Criteria of acceptability should be based on: (a) a minimum number of years of experience in a similar position;

(b) a minimum number of years of experience and/or number of comparable projects carried out in a specified number of preceding years; and

(c) minimum education qualification only in case the position requires. It is appropriate to specify that certain positions are filled by individuals who have held posts of comparable authority for, say, three years with the Bidder, so that key staff in executive site positions have sufficient knowledge of the Bidder's management, policy, procedures, and practices to act with confidence and authority within that framework.

#### 2.6 Equipment (Not Applicable)

The Bidder must demonstrate that it has the key equipment listed hereafter:

No.	Equipment Type and Characteristics	Min. Number Requirement
1.		
2.		

In case the Bidder proposes to consider Equipment that may be spared from committed/ongoing contracts for evaluation, the Bidder shall provide details of Equipment which will be spared from committed / ongoing contracts clearly demonstrating the availability of such equipment with respect to the physical progress of the ongoing contracts on the date of bid submission.

In case of Equipment to be leased/hired the same procedure as mentioned above shall apply.

The Bidder shall provide further details of proposed items of equipment using the relevant Form in Section IV (Bidding Forms)

#### Note:

An inventory of construction equipment represents a high capital cost overhead to a contractor. Consequently, not all competent potential bidders will maintain an inventory of high-value items that are in suitable condition for major contracts. This is particularly so with management contractors, who undertake construction projects mainly by subcontracting. In most cases Bidders can readily purchase, lease, or hire equipment; thus, it is usually unnecessary for the assessment of a contractor's qualification to depend on the contractor's owning readily available items of equipment. The pass-fail criteria adopted should therefore be limited only to those bulky or specialized items that are critical for the type of project to be implemented, and that may be difficult for the contractor to obtain quickly. Examples may include items such as heavy lift cranes and piling barges, dredgers, tunnel boring machines, asphalt mixing plants, etc. Even in such cases, contractors may not own the specialized items of such subcontractors and of the specified equipment should be subject to verification prior to contract award. The terms of any lease or hire agreement for equipment should preferably include provision that the equipment will remain on the site (or be vested in the Employer) in the event of default of the Contractor, thereby ensuring more timely continuity of work by a replacement contractor

#### 2.7 Subcontractors

The experience and financial capacity of the sub-contractors shall not be added to those of the Bidder for purposes of qualification of the Bidder.

The sub-contractors proposed shall be fully qualified for their work proposed, and meet the following criteria:

2.7 (a) Nature of Works that can be sub contracted:

(i) ...... (ii) .....

Note: Employer should specify the nature of work, if sub-contracting is permitted.

#### 2.7 (b) Qualification Criteria

The proposed sub-contractor shall meet the following requirements:

- 1) Completion of 80% of the quantity of the work being sub contracted
- 2) Average Annual Construction Turnover for the work being sub contracted should be at least V/T where V is the proposed value of sub contract and T is time in year. For contract duration of up to 1 year, T shall be "1".
- 3) Financial Resources: The sub contract must demonstrate that it has the financial resources to meet its current contract commitment plus three months' requirements for the sub contracted work.

# **Section IV: Bidding Forms**

This Section contains the forms which are to be completed by the Bidder and submitted as part of its Bid.

#### Letter of Technical Bid

The Bidder must accomplish the Letter of Bid in its letterhead clearly showing the Bidder's complete name and address.

Date: .....

Name of the contract: .....

Invitation for Bid No.: MBUSTDB/W/NCB/03-2077/78

#### To: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board, Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal,

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Clause 8.
- (b) We offer to execute in conformity with the Bidding Documents the following Works:
- (c) Our Bid consisting of the Technical Bid and the Price Bid shall be valid for a period of 90 (ninety) days from the date fixed for the bid submission deadline in accordance with the Bidding Documents, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.
- (d) Our firm, including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract, have nationalities from eligible countries in accordance with ITB 4.2and meet the requirements of ITB 3.4,& 3.5
- (e) We are not participating, as a Bidder or as a subcontractor, in more than one Bid in this bidding process in accordance with ITB 4.3(e), other than alternative offers submitted in accordance with ITB 13.
- (f) Our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries, including any Subcontractors or Suppliers for any part of the contract, has not been declared ineligible by DP, under the Employer's country laws or official regulations or by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council;
- (g) We are not a government owned entity/We are a government owned entity but meet the requirements of ITB 4.5;<sup>1</sup>
- (h) We declare that, we including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract do not have any conflict of interest in accordance with ITB 4.3 and we have not been punished for an offense relating to the concerned profession or business.
- (i) We declare that we are solely responsible for the authenticity of the documents submitted by us. The document and information submitted by us are true and correct. If any document/information given is found to be concealed at a later date, we shall accept any legal actions by the Employer.
- (j) We agree to permit the Employer/DP or its representative to inspect our accounts and records and other documents relating to the bid submission and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Employer.
- (k) If our Bid is accepted, we commit to mobilizing key equipment and personnel in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria) and our technical proposal, or as otherwise agreed with the Employer.
- (I) We are committed to submit the Letter of Commitment for Bank's Undertaking for Line of Credit of NRs 34.3. Millions at the time of contract agreement, if the bid is awarded to us.

Name: .....

Duly authorized to sign the Bid for and on behalf of .....

Date .....

### Letter of Price Bid

	The Bidder must accomplish the Letter of Bid in its letterhead clearly showing the Bidder's complete name and address.				
			Date:		
		Name of the co	ontract:		
		Invitation for	Bid No.: <b>MBUSTDB/W</b>	/NCB/03-2077/78	
To:	Madan Bhandari University of Scien Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropol		nent Board,		
We	e, the undersigned, declare that:				
(a)	) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including Addenda issued in accordance with Instructions to Bidders (ITB) Clause 8;				
(b)	We offer to execute in conformity with	n the Bidding Documents the fol	lowing Works:		
(c)	The total price of our Bid, excluding ar or when left blank is the Bid Price indic		below is: NRs	;	
(d)	) The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are:				
(e)	Our bid shall be valid for a period of 90 the Bidding Documents, and it shall rep of that period;	-			
(f)	If our bid is accepted, we commit to ob	otain a performance security in a	accordance with the Biddi	ing Document;	
(g)	We have paid, or will pay the followi execution of the Contract: <sup>1</sup> Name of Recipient	ng commissions, gratuities, or 1 Address	fees with respect to the Reason	bidding process or Amount	
(h)	We understand that this bid, <i>together</i> shall constitute a binding contract betw				
(i)	We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated bid or any other bid that you may receive				

- (i) We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated bid or any other bid that you may receive; and
- (j) We declare that we are solely responsible for the authenticity of the documents submitted by us.
- (k) We agree to permit the Employer/DP or its representative to inspect our accounts and records and other documents relating to the bid submission and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Employer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If none has been paid or is to be paid, indicate "None".

Name: .....

In the capacity of .....

Signed .....

Duly authorized to sign the Bid for and on behalf of .....

Date

#### Table of Price Adjustment Data (Not Applicable) [To be used if Price Adjustment is applicable as per GCC 53.1]

Code	Index Description	Source of Index*	Base Value and Date	Employer's Proposed Weighting Range (coefficient)	Bidder's Proposed Weighting (coefficient)**
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Non - Adjustable (A)			0.15	0.15
	Labor (b)				
	Materials (c)				
	Equipment usage (d)				
		Total			1.00

\*Normally following source of index shall apply. Public Entity shall choose applicable Index for each item.

- (a) Labor: "National Salary and Wage Rate Index"- "Construction Labor" of Nepal Rastra Bank or rate fixed by District Rate Fixation Committee
- (b) Material: "National Wholesale Price Index" Construction Materials" of Nepal Rastra Bank
- (c) Equipment usage: "National Wholesale Price Index" Machinery and Equipment" of Nepal Rastra Bank or "Fuel" Price fixed by Nepal Oil Corporation.
- \*\* Bidders proposed weightings should be within the range specified by the Employer in column 5

## Table of Price Adjustment Data (Not Applicable)

#### [To be used if Price Adjustment is applicable as per GCC 53.6]

Code	Construction Material*	Unit	Base Price (NRs/Unit) (Ex- factory)	Source (Factory)**
1	2	3	4	5

\* Major construction materials to be specified by Employer in column - 2.

\*\* Base Price and source normally to be specified by Employer (or alternatively informed to be proposed by bidder) in column 4 and 5.

#### Note:

The base prices of the construction materials shall be taken as of 30 days before the deadline for submission of the Bid as quoted by the Bidder and verified by the Employer. For the purpose of calculation of price adjustment, the Ex-factory price of the same source shall be taken into consideration.

### **Bid Security**

#### **Bank Guarantee**

Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office

### (On Letter head of the Commercial bank or any Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as

#### per prevailing Law)

Beneficiary: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board,

Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal

Date: .....Bid Security No.: .....

Furthermore, we understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a bid guarantee.

- (a) has withdrawn or modifies its Bid:
  - i) during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Technical and Price Bid, in case of electronic submission

(ii) from the period twenty-four hours prior to bid submission deadline up to the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Technical Bid and Price Bid, in case of hard copy submission; or

- (b) does not accept the correction of errors in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders (hereinafter "the ITB"); or
- (c) changes the prices or substance of the bid while providing information pursuant to clause 27.1 of ITB; or
- (d) having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by the Employer during the period of bid validity, (i) fails or refuses to execute the Contract Agreement, or (ii) fails or refuses to furnish the performance security, in accordance with the ITB.
- (e) is involved in fraud and corruption in accordance with the ITB

This guarantee will remain in force up to and including the date .......*number*......days after the deadline for submission of Bids as such deadline is stated in the instructions to Bidders or as it may be extended by the Employer, notice of which extension(s) to the Bank is hereby waived. Any demand in respect of this guarantee should reach the Bank not letter than the above date.

This Bank guarantee shall not be withdrawn or released merely upon return of the original guarantee by the Bidder unless notified by you for the release of the guarantee.

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 758.

#### ...Bank's seal and authorized signature(s)...

Note:

- 1. Personnel
- 2. Equipment

#### 3. Site Organization

The Bidder shall show here in an Organogram format the organization of his site personnel showing clearly designated duties and responsibilities and the chain of command throughout the structure. Included in the chart shall be the names of respective personnel.

#### 4. Method Statement

The Bidder shall provide here a brief description of how the Works are to be undertaken. The description shall indicate how each activities are to be undertaken.

#### 5. Mobilization Schedule

The Bidder shall provide here a general description of the arrangements and methods which he proposes to adopt for the execution of the Works which shall include but not be limited to:- i) Mobilization period including periods required for establishing the Contractor's offices, workshops etc. and the facilities required for the Engineer and his staff. ii) Sources of Contractor's equipment and mobilization periods for equipment.

#### 6. Construction Schedule

The Bidder shall provide here his proposed program for construction of the Works within the Time for Completion. The program shall be presented in the form of a bar chart showing main construction activities with Milestones. Associated groups of construction equipment shall be listed.

#### 7. Schedule of Subcontractors

The bidder shall enter in the following table a list of the sections and appropriate value of the work for which he proposes to use subcontractors, together with the names and addresses of the proposed subcontractors. The bidder shall also enter a statement of similar works previously executed by the proposed subcontractors, including description, location and value of work, year completed, and name and address of the employer/engineer.

ltem Nos.	Description of work	Approximate value (NRs.)	Name and address of Subcontractor	Statement of similar works executed

Notwithstanding such information the bidder, if awarded the Contract, shall remain entirely and solely responsible for the satisfactory completion of the Works.

- 8. Clause-by-clause compliance with the technical specifications
- 9. Design and drawings
- 10. Technical datasheets
- 11. ISO certificates
- 12. IEC test certificates and all other relevant documents/certificates
- 13. Manufacturer's authorizations
- 14. Warranty document
- 15. Others, as specified in ITB 11.2 (h)

## Personnel

#### Form PER - 1: Proposed Personnel

Bidders should provide the names of suitably qualified personnel to meet the specified requirements for each of the positions listed in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria). The data on their experience should be supplied using the Form below for each candidate.

No.	Name	Position*	Academic Qualification	Total Work Experience [Years]	Experience in Similar Works [years]
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

\* As listed in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria).

#### Notes:

1) The required certificates, if in any other language than English, shall be translated into English and notarized by authorized entity.

#### Form PER - 2: Resume of Proposed Personnel

The Bidder shall provide all the information requested below. Fields with asterisk (\*) shall be used for evaluation.

Position*	Position*				
Personal Information	Name	Date of Birth			
	Professional qualifications				
Present employment	Name of employer				
	Address of employer				
	Telephone Contact (manager/personnel officer)				
	Fax E-mail				
	Job title	Years with present employer			

Summarize professional experience over the last twenty years in reverse chronological order. Indicate particular technical and managerial experience relevant to the project.

From*	То*	Company, Project, Position and Relevant Technical and Management Experience*

Note:

- 1. In case of e-submission the Resume of Proposed Personnel shall be submitted on notification by the Employer as per ITB 27.
- 2. Confirmation of purposed personnels' availability for the execution of the work shall be submitted in writing as a written statement signed by each personnel along with the bid. This will be reconfirmed in writing at time of negotiations/signing the contract.

### Equipment

The Bidder shall provide adequate information to demonstrate clearly that it has the capability to meet the requirements for the key equipment listed in Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria). A separate Form shall be prepared for each item of equipment listed, or for alternative equipment proposed by the Bidder. The Bidder shall provide all the information requested below, to the extent possible. Fields with asterisk (\*) shall be used for evaluation.

#### (i) For the equipment under Bidder's ownership

No.	Equipment Type and Characteristics	Total Nos. of Equipment under Bidder's Ownership	No. of Equipment engaged/proposed for ongoing/committed contracts	Nos. of Equipment proposed for this contract
1.				
2.				
З.				
4.				
5.				

#### (ii) For the Equipment to be leased/hired

(11)	(ii) For the Equipment to be leased/infed					
No.	Equipment Type and Characteristics	Total Nos. of Equipment under the ownership of lease/hire provider	No. of Equipment engaged/committed for other works	Nos. of Equipment proposed to be leased/hired for this contract		
1.						
2.						
З.						
4.						
5.						

Type of Equipment*							
Equipment Information	Name of manufacturer	Model and power rating					
	Capacity*	Year of manufacture					
Current Status	Current location						
	Details of current commitments	Details of current commitments					
Source	Indicate source of the equipment						
	C Owned C Rented C Leased C Specially manufactured						

#### The following information shall be provided only for equipment not owned by the Bidder.

Owner	Name of owner

	Address of owner	
	Telephone	Contact name and title
	Fax	email
Agreements	Details of rental / lease / manufacture agreements specific to the	
	project	

# The Bidder shall be solely responsible for the data provided. However, this shall not limit the right of Employer to verify the authenticity of submitted information.

#### Note:

- 1. In case of e-submission the "Agreements" shall be submitted on notification by the Employer as per ITB 27.1
- 2. Ownership attestation documentation for each item of equipment and wherever relevant, the original leasing agreements (or ownership of leasing agency, as applicable) shall be attached.
- *3.* The invoice/ documents/ agreements/ certificates, if in any other language than English, shall be translated into English and notarized by authorized entity.
- 4. Resources committed by the Bidder should be physically mobilized at site as per requirement of Work Schedules.
- 5. The equipment older than 15 years of age shall not be considered for evaluation.

#### **Bidder's Qualification**

To establish its qualifications to perform the contract in accordance with Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria) the Bidder shall provide the information requested in the corresponding Information Sheets included hereunder.

#### Form ELI - 1: Bidder's Information Sheet

Bidder's I	Bidder's Information					
Bidder's legal name						
In case of JV, legal name of each partner						
Bidder's country of constitution						
Bidder's year of constitution						
Bidder's legal address in country of constitution						
Bidder's authorized representative (name, address,						
telephone numbers, fax numbers, e-mail address)						
Attached are copies of the f	ollowing original documents.					
1. In case of single entity, articles of incorporation or c accordance with ITB 4.1 and 4.2.	onstitution of the legal entity named above, in					
2. Authorization to represent the firm or JV named in	above, in accordance with ITB 20.2.					
3. In case of JV, letter of intent to form JV or JV agreement, in accordance with ITB 4.1.						
A In case of a government owned entity any additio	nal documents not covered under 1 above required to					

4. In case of a government-owned entity, any additional documents not covered under 1 above required to comply with ITB 4.5.

#### Form ELI - 2: JV Information Sheet

Each member of a JV must fill in this form

JV / Specialist Subcontractor Information						
Bidder's legal name						
JV Partner's or Subcontractor's legal name						
JV Partner's or Subcontractor's country of constitution						
JV Partner's or Subcontractor's year of constitution						
JV Partner's or Subcontractor's legal address in country						
of constitution						
JV Partner's or Subcontractor's authorized						
representative information (name, address, telephone						
numbers, fax numbers, e-mail address)						
Attached are copies of the following original documents.						
<ol> <li>articles of incorporation or constitution of the leg and 4.2.</li> </ol>	gal entity named above, in accordance with ITB 4.1					
2. Authorization to represent the firm named above	e, in accordance with ITB 20.2.					
3. In the case of government-owned entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and						

3. In the case of government-owned entity, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law, in accordance with ITB 4.5.

# Form LIT - 1: Pending Litigation

Each member of a JV must fill in this form

Pending Litigation								
	<ul> <li>No pending litigation in accordance with Criteria 2.2 of Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria)</li> <li>Pending litigation in accordance with Criteria 2.2 of Section III (Evaluation and Qualification Criteria)</li> </ul>							
Year	Matter in DisputeValue of Pending ClaimValue of Pending Claimin NRsas a Percentage on IWorth							

### Form FIN - 1: Financial Situation

#### Each Bidder or member of a JV must fill in this form

Financial Data for Previous 10 Years [in NRs]						
Year 1:	Year 2:	Year 3:	Year 4	Year 5		Year 10

#### Information from Balance Sheet

Total Assets		
Total Liabilities		
Net Worth		
Current Assets		
Current Liabilities		

#### Information from Income Statement

Total Revenues		
Profit Before Tax		
Profit After Tax		

- Attached are copies of financial statements (balance sheets including all related notes, and income statements) for the last three or above years, as indicated above, complying with the following conditions.
- All such documents reflect the financial situation of the Bidder or partner to a JV, and not sister or parent companies.
- Historic financial statements must be audited by a certified auditor.
- Historic financial statements must be complete, including all notes to the financial statements.
- Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited (no statements for partial periods shall be requested or accepted).

#### Note:

In case of e-submission the attachments should not be uploaded but shall be submitted on notification by the Employer as per ITB 27.1

## Form FIN - 2: Average Annual Construction Turnover

Each Bidder or member of a JV must fill in this form

The information supplied should be the Annual Turnover of the Bidder or each member of a JV in terms of the amounts billed to clients for each year for work in progress or completed to NRs at the end of the period reported.

Annual Turnover Data for the Last 10 Years						
Year	Amount Currency					

Average Annual Turnover
 (Best 3 years within the last 10 years)

#### Form FIN - 3: Bid Capacity

Each Bidder or member of a JV must fill in this form

#### Bid Capacity = $[(7 \times A) - B]$

A = Average Annual Turnover of best three years within the last ten fiscal years.

B = Annual Value of the existing commitments and works (ongoing) to be completed, calculated from FIN-4.

SN	Name of Bidder	Pan No.	A, in Million	B, in Million	Bid Capacity, in Million
1					
2					
3					

**Total Bid Capacity:** 

Signature of Bidder

#### Form FIN-4: Current Contract Commitments / Works in Progress

Bidders and each partner to a JV should provide information on their current commitments on all contracts that have been awarded, or for which a letter of intent or acceptance has been received, or for contracts approaching completion, but for which an unqualified, full completion certificate has yet to be issued.

	Current Contract Commitments (For Calculation of B with reference of FIN-3)								
No.	Name of Contract	Name of the Contractor/s	Employer's Contact Address, Tel, Fax	Contract Share in % (a)	Contract Amount in Millions (b)	Contract Date (yyyy- mm) (c)	Initial or Revised Contract Duration (months) (d)	Value of outstanding works [In Millions, NRS] <sup>#</sup> (e)	Estimated Time in Month to Complete the outstanding works (f) = (c) + (d) – Date of Invitation of Bid (f)
1									
2									
3									

#### Signature of Bidder

# The Outstanding Works means Contract Price (excluding Vat) minus Work Evaluated by Employer till the reference date. Bidder shall have to submit the relevant documentary evidence to substantiate the facts/figures.

Note 1: "B" shall be calculated as :  $B = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[\frac{(e) \times (a)}{(f)}\right] x 12$ , If (f) is less than 12, then value of (f) shall be taken as 12.

Note 2: If Initial or Revised Contract Date is run out with respect to Date of Invitation of Bid, the Estimated Time in Month to Complete the outstanding works shall be taken equal to 12 months.

# Form EXP - 1: General Experience

Each Bidder or member of a JV must fill in this form.

	General Construction Experience					
Starting Month and Year	Ending Month and Year	Months	Contract Identification and Name and Address of Employer Brief Description of the Works Executed by the Bidder	Role of Bidder		

# Form EXP - 2(a): Specific Construction Experience

Fill up one (1) form per contract.

Contract of Sin	nilar Size and Na	ture	
Contract No of	Contract Identi	fication	
Award Date			
Initial Contract Completion Date (As per			
Contract Document)			
Actual Contract Completion Date (As per			
Completion Certificate)			
Role in Contract	Ē	Management	Subcontractor
	Contractor	Contractor	
Total Contract Amount	🗋 NRS		
If Partner in a JV or subcontractor, specify	Percent of	Amount	
participation of total contract amount	Total		
Employer's Name			
Address			
Telephone/Fax			
Number			
E-mail			
Description of the similarity in accordance with Cr	iteria 2.4.2 (a) of	Section III	
One contract for Grid Connected Solar PV	Bidder to	provide description	on demonstrating
System employing a Fixed Mounting System of	similarity of ex	perience to require	ements described in
at least NRs. 15 Million excluding VAT using	the left box.		
Crystalline Silicon and Grid Connected Inverter			
technology and other characteristics as			
described in Section VI (Work Requirements)			

### Form EXP - 2(b): Specific Construction Experience in Key Activities

Fill up one (1) form per contract.

Contract of Similar Size and Nature						
Contract No of	Contract Identification					
Award Date						
Initial Contract Completion Date (As per Contract Document)						
Actual Contract Completion Date (As per Completion Certificate)						
Role in Contract	Contractor	Management     Contractor	C Subcontractor			
Solar PV Project Capacity	kWp					
Total Contract Amount	<b>NRS</b>					
If Partner in a JV or subcontractor, specify participation of total contract amount	Percent of Total	Amount				
Employer's Name		I				
Address						
Telephone/Fax						
Number						
E-mail						
Description of the similarity in accordance with Criteria 2	2.4.2 (a) of Sec	tion III				
Describe the detailed scope of work						

#### Notes for specific construction experience and experience in key activities

- 1. All work experiences shall be substantiated or evidenced with experience certificates or letters issued by the Owner or the Employer or the Engineer and notarized by authorized entity.
- 2. All the certificates, if in any other language than English, shall be translated into English and notarized by authorized entity.

3. The rates of exchange for currency conversion during proposal evaluation shall be the exchange rates (selling) of Nepal Rastra Bank for similar transactions prevailing at the end of the Fiscal Year (in case of project in Nepal) or Gregorian Year (in case of project outside of Nepal) when the work was completed.

# **Section V - Eligible Countries**

For the purpose of ITB 4.2: "Nepal";

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# Section VI: Works Requirements

This Section contains the Scope of Work, Specification, the Drawings and supplementary information which describes the Works to be procured.

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### (a) Scope of Work

This section: (a) describes the general context of the works; (b) elaborates the scope of work of the Contractor beyond articulated in other parts of the bid document; (c) clarifies Employer's obligations to ensure smooth execution of the Contract; and (d) provides a brief description of the micro-grid.

#### (a) General Context of Works

The purpose of the grid connected solar PV system is to meet energy requirements of the Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology. The solar plant, tied to the grid, is an integral part of the university micro-grid comprising the grid connected solar and the planned pump storage plant.

#### (b) Scope of Work of the Bidder/Contractor

The Scope of Work of Bidder/Contractor under this tender comprises of but not limited to the following.

- 1. The bidder shall carry out the detailed site survey at their own expenses;
- 2. The bidder shall fill up and furnish the clause-by-clause compliance with the technical specifications;
- 3. The bidder shall submit all the technical datasheets, ISO certificates, IEC test certificates, manufacturer's authorizations, warranty and all other relevant documents/certificates as mentioned in the technical specifications;
- 4. The bidder shall submit the all the design and drawings as mentioned in the technical specifications along with the bid;
- 5. The bidder shall submit the manufacturer's authorization from the principal manufacturer for the equipment as mentioned in the technical specifications;
- 6. The solar PV system design must take into the account its planned integration into the microgrid comprising the solar PV system and pump storage plant;
- 7. The bidder shall submit the detailed work schedule of the project in compliance with the duration specified in the bid document;
- 8. The successful bidder (referred to as "the contractor" hereinafter) shall perform the supply, installation, testing, commissioning, grid interconnection and handover of Solar PV System;
- 9. The contractor shall provide all the required design drawings and get approval from the consultant before the procurement and installation work;
- 10. The contractor shall organize each lot inspection and testing of PV modules as per IEC Standards from the IEC accredited independent laboratory. The inspection and testing report must be provided to the employer and get approval from the consultant before the procurement;
- 11. The contractor shall deliver the PV modules in a box resting on a Pallet inside the container during transportation;
- 12. The contractor shall deliver the equipment/material at site as per the requirement. The storage of the equipment/material shall be the responsibility of the contractor till completion of installation and commissioning;
- 13. The contractor shall carry out the installation work after the inspection of equipment at the contractor's warehouse by the consultant and the inspection report certifying the equipment;

- 14. The contractor shall be responsible to fully ensure safety and security of the workers and the materials used in the project. The Contractor must submit its OHS plan of workers during construction;
- 15. The contractor must have insurance policy for the works for liability for breach of professional duty, for injury to persons and damage of property, for injury of employees, and other insurances required by the laws. All such costs of insurance shall be deemed as being included in the contract price;
- 16. The contractor shall be responsible to manage all the required tools, material, equipment and logistics for the completion of the project;
- 17. The contractor shall perform and carry out the testing and commissioning of the system in presence of the employer and the consultant;
- 18. The contractor shall clear the site and handover the work/item under the contract to the employer after the construction work is completed;
- 19. The contractor shall consider all the taxes and duties including the VAT for the equipment in its price quotation for the equipment and installation work as per the Government Rule;
- 20. The contractor shall submit the Project Completion Report including as-built drawings, testing and commissioning report, operation & maintenance manual after the completion of the project;
- 21. The contractor shall prepare all the required documents in coordination with the employer and coordinate with NEA and complete the connection agreement. The contractor must have considered the applicable costs associated with this service in its price quotation;
- 22. The contractor shall provide the operation and maintenance service for the period of 5 years from the date of commissioning including repair and maintenance services. The contractor shall depute one full time technical operator and equipment for the operation of solar PV system. The contractor must have considered the applicable costs associated with this service in its price quotation;
- 23. The contract shall be responsible for any other necessary arrangement and works needed for the completions of works, if any, which are not mentioned above to complete project at its own cost.
- 24. This should be read in conjunction with the Technical Bid.
- (c) Scope of Work of the Employer

The Scope of Work of Employer under this tender comprises of but not limited to the following.

- 1. The employer shall facilitate by providing access to all the locations to carry out the detailed site survey;
- 2. The employer shall provide the drawings, PV layout, single line diagram of solar PV system, support structure details for the bidding as required, as applicable;
- 3. The consultant shall approve all the required design drawings provided by the contractor before the procurement, if it complies with the requirement;
- 4. The employer, upon request by the contractor, shall issue all the required letters for the exemption of taxes and VAT to the Concerned Authority, if applicable;
- 5. The consultant shall conduct the inspection of the equipment at the contractor's warehouse before the installation;
- 6. The consultant shall supervise the installation, testing, commissioning, grid interconnection and handover of Solar PV System;

7. The employer shall provide all the required documents and letters to NEA for the connection agreement, if applicable.

#### (d) A Brief Description of Micro-Grid

Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology (MBUST) is envisioned as a world-class university designed to play a catalytic role in country's economic development by enhancing the competitiveness of its produces in the world market through upgrading of the technology of production. To this end the university will strive to develop new technology and produce human resources capable of research and innovation.

Climate change and alarming degradation of earth's resources have demonstrated that the current paradigm of development is not sustainable. Therefore, the university has chosen to be guided by the agenda of sustainable development.

MBUST is aiming at incorporating the above principles right from the design of the university. In this context, the design of the university micro-grid is underpinned by the following concepts:

- Greater use of solar energy is one of the key strategies for limiting and eventually reducing greenhouse gases. MBUST will strive to meet all its energy demands through use of solar energy.
- As interruptions in the grid supply is frequent and unpredictable there should be a source of backup power supply. The usual backup of power supply is diesel generation. MBUST aims at getting rid of diesel-powered backup supply with a view to mitigate greenhouse gas production.
- In principle, it is possible to provide backup supply through battery banks. But this modality, on the one hand, is not environmentally friendly, on the other is not cost effective due to high operating costs.
- The storage of energy in water for the purpose of addressing the mismatch between temporal demand and supply of power, which also can be used for backup energy supply, is common for grids. But this concept has not been tried out for mini-grids. Therefore, the university mini-grid will have value in terms of research and development. There will be a scope of introduction of artificial intelligence (AI) for optimum operation of the university micro-grid.

#### **Micro-Grid Operation**

When solar power is higher than the university load the excess power will be exported to the grid and/or used for pumping water to the upper reservoir of the pump storage plant (PSP). And when the university load is greater than the total power available from solar arrays and the pump-storage plant power will be imported from the grid.

When the grid supply is interrupted, the solar arrays will be temporarily – till the pump-storage plant comes into operation – disconnected. The number of invertors resuming the solar supply will be adjusted commensurate with the university load and the pumping load. In case the total power supply from the invertors and the PSP is lower than the university load, the load will be reconnected on priority basis. For this purpose, the university load will be divided into a number of groups formed on the basis of prioritization. For the university load requiring uninterrupted power supply a separate arrangement will be made.

The micro-grid is designed to operate is fully automated mode. A suitable controller and SCADA will be employed for this purpose. The data from the solar plant will be fed into the SCADA and Controller. The

monitoring and data acquisition system of the solar plant should designed taking this requirement into consideration.

The block diagram of the micro-grid is presented at the end of this section. The capacity of the solar plant and PSP are tentative, which are subject to change as the university load grows. The PSP is located at the university site. The lower reservoir is at the elevation of 1800m and the upper at 2390m, which is at the hilltop. Water for the pump will be supplied by an existing tube well.

The optimum operation of the upper reservoir, among others, is determined by the frequency, duration and time of the day of grid outages, university load curve, time of the day time tariff, and the availability of rain water. The monetary yield from reservoir operation would be enhanced of AI is employed. Therefore, it is proposed to use Artificial Intelligence for operation of the upper reservoir. Block diagram is available at the Employer's website and in the hard copy at the office.

### (b) Technical Specifications

#### Technical Specifications Attached in a separate file

#### Notes on the Specifications

A set of precise and clear specifications is a prerequisite for Bidders to respond realistically and competitively to the requirements of the Employer without qualifying or conditioning their Bids. The specifications must be drafted to permit the widest possible competition and, at the same time, present a clear statement of the required standards of workmanship, materials, and performance of the goods and services to be procured. Only if this is done will the objectives of economy, efficiency and fairness in procurement be realized, responsiveness of Bids be ensured, and the subsequent task of bid evaluation facilitated. The specifications should require that all goods and materials to be incorporated in the Works be new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the Contract.

Samples of specifications from previous similar projects are useful in this respect. The use of metric units is encouraged by the Funding Agency in case of funding assisted projects. Most specifications are normally written specially by the Employer or Project Manager to suit the Contract Works in hand. The available standard specification of works of Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport, DoLIDAR and Other line Ministries can be adopted for respective civil construction works.

There are considerable advantages in standardizing General Specifications for repetitive Works in recognized public sectors, such as highways, urban housing, irrigation, and water supply, in the same country or region where similar conditions prevail. The General Specifications should cover all classes of workmanship, materials, and equipment commonly involved in construction, however it may not necessarily be adequate to be used in a particular Works Contract and may necessitate preparation of Particular (Special) Specifications to amend and or supplement the provision of the General Specifications to meet the requirement of the particular Works.

Care must be taken in drafting specifications to ensure that they are not restrictive. In the specification of standards for goods, materials, and workmanship, recognized international standards should be used as much as possible. Where other particular standards are used, whether national standards of Nepal or other standards, the specifications should state that goods, materials, and workmanship that meet other authoritative standards, and which ensure substantially equal or higher quality than the standards mentioned, will also be acceptable.

Employers should decide whether technical solutions to specified parts of the Works are to be permitted. Alternatives are appropriate in cases where obvious (and potentially less costly) alternatives are possible to the technical solutions indicated in the Procurement Documents for certain elements of the Works, taking into consideration the comparative specialized advantage of potential bidders. For example:

The Employer should provide a description of the selected parts of the Works with appropriate references to Drawings, Specifications, Bill of Quantities, and Design or Performance criteria, stating that the alternative solutions if applicable shall be at least structurally and functionally equivalent to the basic design parameters and specifications.

Such alternative solutions shall be accompanied by all information necessary for a complete evaluation by the Employer, including drawings, design calculations, technical specifications, breakdown of prices, proposed construction methodology, and other relevant details.

#### Sample Clause: Equivalency of Standards and Codes

Wherever reference is made in the Contract to specific standards and codes to be met by the goods and materials to be furnished, and work performed or tested, the provisions of the latest current edition or revision of the relevant standards and codes in effect shall apply, unless otherwise expressly stated in the Contract. Where such standards and codes are national, or relate to a particular country or region, other authoritative standards that ensure a substantially equal or higher quality than the standards and codes specified will be accepted subject to the Project Manager's prior review and written consent. Differences between the standards specified and the proposed alternative standards shall be fully described in writing by the Contractor and submitted to the Project Manager at least 30 days prior to the date when the Contractor desires the Project Manager's consent. In the event the Project Manager determines that such proposed deviations do not ensure substantially equal or higher quality, the Contractor shall comply with the standards specified in the documents.

These Notes for Preparing Specifications are intended only as information for the Employer or the person drafting the Procurement Documents. They should not be included in the final documents

## (c) Drawings

#### Note:

1. Complete set drawings can be downloaded from <u>https://mbustb.org/</u> or reviewed at the Board Office.

## (d) Supplementary Information

Not Applicable

### **Section VII: Bill of Quantities**<sup>2</sup>

#### Notes for Unit Rate Contracts:

#### Objectives

The objectives of the Bill of Quantities are

- (a) to provide sufficient information on the quantities of Works to be performed to enable Bids to be prepared efficiently and accurately; and
- (b) when a Contract has been entered into, to provide a priced Bill of Quantities for use in the periodic valuation of Works executed.

In order to attain these objectives, Works should be itemized in the Bill of Quantities in sufficient detail to distinguish between the different classes of Works, or between Works of the same nature carried out in different locations or in other circumstances which may give rise to different considerations of cost. Consistent with these requirements, the layout and content of the Bill of Quantities should be as simple and brief as possible.

#### Content

The Bill of Quantities should be divided generally into the following sections:

- (a) Preamble;
- (b) Work Items (grouped into parts);
- (c) Day works Schedule;
- d) Provisional Sums; and
- (d) Summary.

#### Preamble

The Preamble should indicate the inclusiveness of the unit prices, and should state the methods of measurement which have been adopted in the preparation of the Bill of Quantities and which are to be used for the measurement of any part of the works.

#### Work Items

The items in the Bill of Quantities should be grouped into sections to distinguish between those parts of the Works which by nature, location, access, timing, or any other special characteristics may give rise to different methods of construction, or phasing of the Works, or considerations of cost. General items common to all parts of the works may be grouped as a separate section in the Bill of Quantities.

#### Day work Schedule

A Day work Schedule should be included only if the probability of unforeseen work, outside the items included in the Bill of Quantities, is high. To facilitate checking by the Employer of the realism of rates quoted by the Bidders, the Day work Schedule should normally comprise the following:

- (a) A list of the various classes of labor, materials, and Constructional Plant for which basic day work rates or prices are to be inserted by the Bidder, together with a statement of the conditions under which the Contractor will be paid for work executed on a day work basis.
- (b) Nominal quantities for each item of Day work, to be priced by each Bidder at Day work rates as bid. The rate to be entered by the Bidder against each basic Day work item should include the Contractor's profit, overheads, supervision, and other charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>In lump sum contracts, delete "Bill of Quantities" and replace with "Schedule of Activities" throughout this section.

#### **Provisional Sums**

Provisional Sums included and so designated in the Bill of Quantities shall be expended in whole or in part at the direction and discretion of the Project Manager in accordance with the Conditions of Contract.

#### Summary

The Summary should contain a tabulation of the separate parts of the Bill of Quantities carried forward, with provisional sums for Day work, for physical (quantity) contingencies, and for price contingencies (upward price adjustment) where applicable.

#### **Preamble of Bill of Quantities**

#### A. General

- 1. The Bill of Quantities shall be read in conjunction with the Instructions to Bidders, General and Special Conditions of Contract, Technical Specifications, and Drawings.
- 2. The quantities given in the Bill of Quantities are estimated and provisional, and are given to provide a common basis for bidding. The basis of payment will be the actual quantities of work ordered and carried out, as measured by the Contractor and verified by the Project Manager and valued at the rates and prices bid in the priced Bill of Quantities, where applicable, and otherwise at such rates and prices as the Project Manager may fix within the terms of the Contract.
- 3. For any item for which measurement is based on records made before or during construction the records shall be prepared and agreed between the Engineer and the Contractor. Should the Contractor carry out such work without the prior agreement of the Engineer, the Engineer may request the Contractor to carry out investigations to confirm the extent of the work and the quantity of work certified for payment shall be solely at the Engineer's discretion. The cost of any such investigation shall be borne by the Contractor.
- 4. The rates and prices bid in the priced Bill of Quantities shall, except as otherwise provided under the Contract, include all construction equipment, labor, supervision, materials, erection, maintenance, insurance, profit, taxes, and duties, together with all general risks, liabilities, and obligations set out or implied in the Contract.
- 5. A rate or price shall be entered against each item in the priced Bill of Quantities, whether quantities are stated or not. The cost of items against which the Contractor has failed to enter a rate or price shall be deemed to be covered by other rates and prices entered in the Bill of Quantities.
- 6. The whole cost of complying with the provisions of the Contract shall be included in the Items provided in the priced Bill of Quantities, and where no Items are provided, the cost shall be deemed to be distributed among the rates and prices entered for the related Items of Work.
- 7. General directions and descriptions of work and materials are not necessarily repeated nor summarized in the Bill of Quantities. References to the relevant sections of the Contract documentation shall be made before entering prices against each item in the priced Bill of Quantities. The Specification Clause references where given in the item description of the Bills of Quantities are for the convenience of bidders and generally refer to the principal relevant-specification clause but do not necessarily represent the whole of the specification requirements for the work required within the item. The presence of a Specification clause reference shall not in any way reduce the Bidders obligation to complete work in accordance with all the requirements of the Specification.
- 8. Provisional Sums included and so designated in the Bill of Quantities shall be expended in whole or in part at the direction and discretion of the Project Manager in accordance with the Conditions of Contract.
- 9. The method of measurement of completed work for payment shall be in accordance with the Specifications.
- 10. The abbreviations and symbols used in this Bill of Quantities are: [Insert as applicable]

#### B. Day work Schedule

#### a)General

1. Work shall not be executed on a day work basis except by written order of the Project Manager. Bidders

shall enter basic rates for day work items in the Schedules. These rates shall apply to any quantity of day work ordered by the Project Manager. Nominal quantities have been indicated against each item of day work, and the extended total for day work shall, be carried forward as a Provisional Sum to the Summary Total Bid Amount. Unless otherwise adjusted, payments for day work shall be subject to price adjustment in accordance with the provisions in the Conditions of Contract.

#### b) Day work Labor

- 1. In calculating payments due to the Contractor for the execution of day works, the hours for labor will be reckoned from the time of arrival of the labor at the job site to execute the particular item of day work to the time of departure from the job site, but excluding meal breaks and rest periods. Only the time of classes of labor directly doing work ordered by the Project Manager and are competent to perform such work will be measured. The time of gangers (charge hands) actually doing work with the gangs will also be measured but not the time of foremen or other supervisory personnel.
- 2. The Contractor shall be entitled to payment in respect of the total time that labor is employed on day work, calculated at the basis rates entered by it in the "SCHEDULE OF DAY WORK RATES: 1. LABOR". The rates for labor shall be deemed to cover all costs to the Contractor including (but not limited to) i) the amount of wages paid to such labor, transportation time, overtime, subsistence allowances, ii) any sums paid to or on behalf of such labor for social benefits in accordance with Nepal law, iii) Contractor's profit, overheads, superintendence, liabilities and insurance and iv) charges incidental to the foregoing.

#### c) Day work Equipment

- 1. The Contractor shall be entitled to payments in respect of Constructional Plant already on site and employed on day work at the basis rental rates entered by him in the "SCHEDULE OF DAY WORK RATES:2 EQUIPMENT". The said rates shall be deemed to include due and complete allowance for depreciation, interest, indemnity and insurance, repairs, maintenance, supplies, fuel, lubricant, and other consumables and all overhead, profit and administrative costs related to the use of such equipment. The cost of drivers, operators and assistants also shall be included in the rate of the equipment and no separately payment shall be made for it.
- 2. In calculating the payment due to the Contractor for Constructional Plant employed on day work, only the actual number of working hours will be eligible for payment, except that where applicable and agreed with the Project Manager, the travelling time from the part of the Site where the Construction Plant was located when ordered by the Project Manager to be employed on day work and the time for return journey there to shall be included for payment.

#### d) Day work Materials

- The Contractor shall be entitled to payment in respect of materials used for day work (except for materials for which the cost is included in the percentage addition to labor costs as detailed heretofore), at the rates entered by him in the "SCHEDULE OF DAY WORK RATES: 3 MATERIALS" and shall be deemed to include overhead charges and profit as follows;
  - (i) the rates for materials shall be calculated on the basis of the invoiced price, freight, insurance, handling expenses, damage, losses, etc. and shall provide for delivery to store for stockpiling at the Site.
  - (ii) the cost of hauling materials for use on work ordered to be carried out as day work, from the store or stockpile on the Site to the place where it is to be used also shall be include in the same rate.

#### **Provisional Sums**

A general provision for physical contingencies (quantity overruns) may be made by including a provisional sum in the Summary Bill of Quantities. Similarly, a contingency allowance for possible price increases should be provided as a provisional sum in the Summary Bill of Quantities. The inclusion of such provisional sums often facilitates budgetary approval by avoiding the need to request periodic supplementary approvals as the future need arises. Where such provisional sums or contingency allowances are used, the SCC should state the manner in which they will be used, and under whose authority (usually the Project Manager's).

The estimated cost of specialized work to be carried out, or of special goods to be supplied, by other contractors should be indicated in the relevant part of the Bill of Quantities as a particular provisional sum with an appropriate brief description. A separate procurement procedure is normally carried out by the Employer to select such specialized contractors. To provide an element of competition among the Bidders in respect of any facilities, amenities, attendance, etc., to be provided by the successful Bidder as prime Contractor for the use and convenience of the specialist contractors, each related provisional sum should be followed by an item in the Bill of Quantities inviting the Bidder to quote a sum for such amenities, facilities, attendance, etc.

#### **Bill of Quantities**

#### Project: Construction of 500kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System at Chitlang, Thaha Municipality Ward 9, Makwanpur

S.N.	Item Description	Item Description	Quantity	Rate in NPR		Amount
5.N.			Quai	In Figure	In Words	in NPR
1	Solar Photovoltaic Array of Total Minimum Capacity 500kWp (Size of individual PV module: At least 400Wp, Mono Crystalline Silicon) and installation all complete	Set	1			
2	Weather Station, Data Logger, Mounting Structure with accessories, cabling, earthing and installation all complete	Set	1			
3	Three Phase Grid Connected Inverter with MPPT Input of Total Minimum Capacity 440kVA (Individual inverter capacity: At least 110kVA), including DC and AC SPDs and installation all complete	Set	1			
4	Solar PV Module support structure, hot dipped galvanized MS with accessories and installation all complete	Set	1			
5	Junction Boxes with accessories and installation all complete	Set	1			
6	Grid Connected AC Combiner Box with AC MCCBs, AC SPDs, accessories and installation all complete	Set	1			
7	AC Distribution Board with AC MCCBs with rotary handle operating mechanism and remote tripping function, AC SPD, accessories and installation all complete	Set	1			
8	Multi-strand Copper PVC insulated PV string cables, accessories, cable laying and installation all complete	Set	1			
9	AC Copper XLPE insulated armoured with extruded PVC inner sheath cables (Grid Connected Inverter to Grid Connected AC Combiner Box), cable laying and installation all complete	Set	1			
10	Earthing System for PV modules frame and array structure, junction boxes, Grid connected AC combiner box, earthing cable, cable laying and installation all complete	Set	1			
11	Earthing System for Grid Connected Inverter, earthing cable and installation all complete	Set	4			
12	Earthing System for AC Distribution Board, earthing cable and installation all complete	Set	1			
13	Lightning Protection System and installation all complete	Set	4			
14	Equipotential Bonding Bus Bar (Copper Earth Bus Bar with at least 6 connection point) and installation all complete	Set	5			
15	AC Aluminium XLPE insulated armoured with extruded PVC inner sheath cables (Grid Connected AC Combiner Box to AC Distribution Board), cable laying and installation all complete	Set	1			
16	Remote Monitoring System and Data Acquisition System with Plant Monitoring Station & accessories, Optical Fiber laying	Set	1			

	and installation all complete					
17	Civil works for 500kWp solar PV array foundations and installation all complete	LS	1			
18	Fence for PV array location and installation all complete	Meter	600			
19	Site Development (Earth cutting and filling, compaction/ramming, surface drainage) all complete	LS	1			
20	0.4/11kV 630kVA Transformer system with all accessories, cable laying and installation all complete	Set	1			
21	Earthing System for Transformer and installation all complete	Set	3			
22	Containerized System (Control Room) with all accessories and installation all complete	Set	1			
23	HT Metering System (TOD Meter, CT, PT with all accessories) and installation all complete as per NEA requirements	Set	1			
24	Fire Fighting System and installation all complete	Set	4			
25	Aluminium Foldable Pole Ladder of Extended Length of at least 9 meters	No	1			
26	Transportation of all Equipment from Contractor's warehouse to Project site	LS	1			
27	Operation and Maintenance for the period of five years all complete	LS	1			
28	Spare Parts all complete	Set	1			
	Sub-total (NPR)			IPR)		
				VAT	13%	
	Total (NPR)					

# Part III: CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT AND CONTRACT FORMS

Contract

between

## Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board, Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal

and

[Insert name and address of the Contractor]

for

## *The Construction of 500 <u>kWp</u> Grid Connected <u>Solar</u> PV System at Chitlang*

Contract ID No: MBUSTDB/W/NCB/03-2077/78

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## **General Conditions of Contract**

	A. General
1. Definitions	1.1 Boldface type is used to identify defined terms.
	(a) The <b>Accepted Contract Amount</b> means the amount accepted in the Letter of Acceptance for the execution and completion of the Works and the remedying of any defects.
	(b) The Activity <b>Schedule</b> is a schedule of the activities comprising the construction, installation, testing, and commissioning of the Works in a lump sum contract. It includes a lump sum price for each activity, which is used for valuations and for assessing the effects of Variations and Compensation Events.
	(c) The Adjudicator is the person appointed jointly by the Employer and the Contractor to resolve disputes in the first instance, as provided for in GCC 23.2 hereunder.
	(d) <b>Bill of Quantities</b> means the priced and completed Bill of Quantities forming part of the Bid.
	(e) <b>Compensation Events</b> are those defined in GCC 50 hereunder.
	(f) The <b>Completion Date</b> is the date of completion of the Works as certified by the Project Manager, in accordance with GCC 68.1.
	(g) The <b>Contract</b> is the Contract between the Employer and the Contractor to execute, complete, and maintain the Works. It consists of the documents listed in GCC 2.3 below.
	(h) The <b>Contractor</b> is the party whose Bid to carry out the Works has been accepted by the Employer.
	(i) The <b>Contractor's Bid</b> is the completed bidding document submitted by the Contractor to the Employer.
	(j) The <b>Contract Price</b> is the Accepted Contract Amount stated in the Letter of Acceptance and thereafter as adjusted in accordance with the Contract.
	(k) <b>Days</b> are calendar days; months are calendar-months.
	(I) <b>Dayworks</b> are varied work inputs subject to payment on a time basis for the Contractor's employees and Equipment, in addition to payments for associated Materials and Plant.
	(m) A <b>Defect</b> is any part of the Works not completed in accordance with the Contract.
	(n) The <b>Defects Liability Certificate</b> is the certificate issued by Project Manager upon correction of defects by the Contractor.
	(o) The <b>Defects Liability Period</b> is the period calculated from the Completion Date where the Contractor remains responsible for remedying defects.
	(p) <b>Drawings</b> include calculations and other information provided or approved by the Project Manager for the execution of the Contract.

(q) The **Employer** is the party who employs the Contractor to carry out the Works, as **specified in the SCC**.

(r) **Equipment** is the Contractor's machinery and vehicles brought temporarily to the Site to construct the Works.

(s) **Force Majeure** means an exceptional event or circumstance: which is beyond a Party's control; which such Party could not reasonably have provided against before entering into the Contract; which, having arisen, such Party could not reasonably have avoided or overcome; and, which is not substantially attributable to the other Party.

(t) The **Initial Contract Price** is the Contract Price listed in the Employer's Letter of Acceptance.

(u) **In writing** or **written** means hand written, type written, printed or electronically made, and resulting in permanent record.

(v) The **Intended Completion Date** is the date on which it is intended that the Contractor shall complete the Works. The Intended Completion Date is **specified in the SCC**. The Intended Completion Date may be revised only by the Project Manager by issuing an extension of time or an acceleration order.

(w) **Letter of Acceptance** means the formal acceptance by the Employer of the Bid and denotes the formation of the contract at the date of acceptance.

(x) **Materials** are all supplies, including consumables, used by the Contractor for incorporation in the Works.

(y) **Party** means the Employer or the Contractor, as the context requires.

(z) SCC means Special Conditions of Contract

(aa) **Plant** is any integral part of the Works that shall have a mechanical, electrical, chemical, or biological function.

(bb) The **Project Manager** is the person **named in the SCC** (or any other competent person appointed by the Employer and notified to the Contractor, to act in replacement of the Project Manager) who is responsible for supervising the execution of the Works and administering the Contract.

(cc) **Retention Money** means the aggregate of all monies retained by the Employer pursuant to GCC 54.1.

(dd) **Schedules** means the document(s) entitled schedules, completed by the Contractor and submitted with the Letter of Bids, as included in the Contract. Such document may include the Bill of Quantities, data, lists, and schedules of rates and/or prices.

(ee) The **Site** is the area defined as such in the SCC

(ff) **Site Investigation Reports** are those that were included in the bidding documents and are factual and interpretative reports about the surface and subsurface conditions at the Site.

(gg) Specification means the Specification of the Works included in the

	Contract and any modification or addition made or approved by the Project Manager.
	(hh) The <b>Start Date</b> is given in <b>the SCC</b> . It is the latest date when the Contractor shall commence execution of the Works. It does not necessarily coincide with any of the Site Possession Dates.
	(ii) A <b>Subcontractor</b> is a person or corporate body who has a Contract with the Contractor to carry out a part of the work in the Contract, which includes work on the Site.
	(jj) <b>Temporary Works</b> are works designed, constructed, installed, and removed by the Contractor that are needed for construction or installation of the Works.
	(kk) A <b>Variation</b> is an instruction given by the Project Manager which varies the Works
	(II) The <b>Works</b> are what the Contract requires the Contractor to construct, install, and turn over to the Employer, as <b>defined in the SCC</b> .
2. Interpretation	2.1 In interpreting these GCC, singular also means plural, male also means female or neuter, and the other way around. Headings have no significance. Words have their normal meaning under the language of the Contract unless specifically defined. The Project Manager shall provide instructions clarifying queries about these GCC.
	2.2 If sectional completion is <b>specified in the SCC</b> , references in the GCC to the Works, the Completion Date, and the Intended Completion Date apply to any Section of the Works (other than references to the Completion Date and Intended Completion Date for the whole of the Works).
	2.3 The documents forming the Contract shall be interpreted in the following order of priority:
	(a) Contract Agreement,
	(b) Letter of Acceptance,
	(c) Letters of Technical Bid and Price Bid,
	(d) Special Conditions of Contract,
	(e) General Conditions of Contract,
	(f) Specifications,
	(g) Drawings,
	(h) Bill of Quantities (or Schedules of Prices for lump sum contracts), and
	(i) Any other document listed in the SCC as forming part of the Contract.
3. Language and Law	3.1 The language of the Contract and the law governing the Contract are <b>stated in the SCC</b> .
	1.2. Throughout the execution of the Contract, the Contractor shall comply with the import of goods and services prohibitions in the Employer's country when
	<ul> <li>(a) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's Country prohibits any import of goods from, or any</li> </ul>

	payments to, a particular country, person, or entity. Where the borrower's country prohibits payments to a particular firm or for particular goods by such an act of compliance, that firm may be excluded.
4. Contract Agreement	4.1 The Parties shall enter into a Contract Agreement within 15 days after the Contractor receives the Letter of Acceptance, unless the Special Conditions establish otherwise. The Contract Agreement shall be based upon the attached Contract forms in Section X.
5. Assignment	<ul> <li>5.1 Neither Party shall assign the whole or any part of the Contract or any benefit or interest in or under the Contract. However, either Party</li> <li>(a) may assign the whole or any part with the prior agreement of the other Party, at the sole discretion of such other Party; and</li> <li>(b) may, as security in favor of a bank or financial institution, assign its right to any moneys due, or to become due, under the Contract.</li> </ul>
6. Care and Supply of Documents	6.1 The Specification and Drawings shall be in the custody and care of the Employer. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract, one copy of the Contract and of each subsequent Drawing shall be supplied to the Contractor, who may make or request further copies at the cost of the Contractor.
	6.2 Each of the Contractor's Documents shall be in the custody and care of the Contractor, unless and until taken over by the Employer. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract, the Contractor shall supply to the Engineer six copies of each of the Contractor's Documents.
	6.3 The Contractor shall keep, on the Site, a copy of the Contract, publications named in the Specification, the Contractor's Documents (if any), the Drawings and Variations and other communications given under the Contract. The Employer's Personnel shall have the right of access to all these documents at all reasonable times.
	6.4 If a Party becomes aware of an error or defect in a document which was prepared for use in executing the Works, the Party shall promptly give notice to the other Party of such error or defect.
7. Confidential Details	7.1 The Contractor's and the Employer's Personnel shall disclose all such confidential and other information as may be reasonably required in order to verify the Contractor's compliance with the Contract and allow its proper implementation.
	7.2 Each of them shall treat the details of the Contract as private and confidential, except to the extent necessary to carry out their respective obligations under the Contract or to comply with applicable Laws. Each of them shall not publish or disclose any particulars of the Works prepared by the other Party without the previous agreement of the other Party. However, the Contractor shall be permitted to disclose any publicly available information, or information otherwise required to establish his qualifications to compete for other projects.
	7.3 Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor may furnish to its Subcontractor(s) such documents, data and other information it receives from the Employer to the extent required for the Subcontractor(s) to perform its work under the Contract, in which event the Contractor shall

	obtain from such Subcontractor(s) an undertaking of confidentiality similar to that imposed on the Contractor under this Clause.
8. Compliance with Laws	8.1 The Contractor shall, in performing the Contract, comply with applicable Laws.
9. Joint and Several Liability	9.1 If the Contractor is a joint venture of two or more entities , all such entities shall be jointly and severally liable to the Employer for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract, and shall designate one of such persons to act as a leader with authority to bind the joint venture. The contractor shall not handover the responsibility of the contract to any one member or some members of Joint Venture or any other parties, not involved in the contract. The composition or the constitution of the joint venture shall not be altered without the prior consent of the Employer.
10. Project Manager's Decisions	10.1 Except where otherwise specifically stated, the Project Manager shall decide contractual matters between the Employer and the Contractor in the role representing the Employer.
11. Delegation	11.1 The Project Manager may delegate any of his duties and responsibilities to other people after notifying the Contractor, and may cancel any delegation after notifying the Contractor.
12. Communications	12.1 Communications between parties that are referred to in the Conditions shall be effective only when in writing. A notice shall be effective only when it is delivered.
13. Subcontracting	13.1 For GoN Funded:
	A list of approved Subcontractors including its value/works is included as Article 2 (k) of contract Agreement. Approval by the Employer for any of the Subcontractors shall not relieve the Contractor from any of its obligations, duties, or responsibilities under the contract.
	For DP Funded :
	The Contractor may subcontract with the approval of the Project Manager, but may not assign the Contract without the approval of the Employer in writing. Subcontracting shall not alter the Contractor's obligations. Bidders may propose subcontracting up to the percentage of total value of contracts as <b>specified in the SCC.</b> The Sub contractor shall meet the qualification requirement as specified in SCC.
14. Other Contractors	14.1 The Contractor shall cooperate and share the Site with other contractors, public authorities, utilities, and the Employer between the dates given in the Schedule of Other Contractors, <b>as referred to in the SCC</b> . The Contractor shall also provide facilities and services for them as described in the Schedule. The Employer may modify the Schedule of Other Contractors, and shall notify the Contractor of any such modification
15 Personnel and Equipment	15.1 The Contractor shall employ the key personnel and use the equipment identified in its Bid to carry out the Works, or other personnel and equipment approved by the Project Manager. The Project Manager shall approve any proposed replacement of key personnel and equipment only if their relevant qualifications or characteristics are substantially equal to or better than those proposed in the Bid.

	15.2 If the Project Manager asks the Contractor to remove a person who is a member of the Contractor's staff or work force, stating the reasons, the Contractor shall ensure that the person leaves the Site within seven days and has no further connection with the work in the Contract.
	15.3 If the Employer, Project Manager, or Contractor determines, that any employee of the Contractor be determined to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or other prohibited practices during the execution of the Works, then that employee shall be removed in accordance with Clause 15.2 above.
16. Employer's and Contractor's Risk	16.1 The Employer carries the risks which this Contract states are Employer's risks, and the Contractor carries the risks which this Contract states are Contractor's risks.
17. Employer's Risks	17.1 From the Start Date until the Defects Liability Certificate has been issued, the following are Employer's risks:
	(a) The risk of personal injury, death, or loss of or damage
	to property (excluding the Works, Plant, Materials, and Equipment), which are due to
	(i) use or occupation of the Site by the Works or for the purpose of the Works, which is the unavoidable result of the Works or
	(ii) negligence, breach of statutory duty, or interference with any legal right by the Employer or by any person employed by or contracted to him except the Contractor.
	(b) The risk of damage to the Works, Plant, Materials, and Equipment to the extent that it is due to a fault of the Employer or in the Employer's design, or due to war or radioactive contamination directly affecting the country where the Works are to be executed.
	17.2 From the Completion Date until the Defects Liability Certificate has been issued, the risk of loss of or damage to the Works, Plant, and Materials is an Employer's risk except loss or damage due to
	(a) a Defect which existed on the Completion Date,
	(b) an event occurring before the Completion Date, which was not itself an Employer's risk, or
	(c) the activities of the Contractor on the Site after the Completion Date.
18. Contractor's Risks	18.1 From the Starting Date until the Defects Liability Certificate has been issued, the risks of personal injury, death, and loss of or damage to property (including, without limitation, the Works, Plant, Materials, and Equipment) which are not Employer's risks are Contractor's risks.
19. Insurance	19.1 The Contractor shall provide insurance in the joint names of the Employer and the Contractor from the Start Date to the end of the Defects Liability Period, in the amounts and deductibles <b>stated in the SCC</b> for the following events which are due to the Contractor's risks:
	(a) loss of or damage to the Works, Plant, and Materials;
	(b) loss of or damage to Equipment;
	(c) loss of or damage to property (except the Works, Plant, Materials, and
	Equipment) in connection with the Contract; and

	<ul> <li>19.2 Policies and certificates for insurance shall be delivered by the Contractor to the Project Manager for the Project Manager's approval before the Start Date. All such insurance shall provide for compensation to be payable in the proportions of Nepalese Rupees required to rectify the loss or damage incurred.</li> <li>19.3 If the Contractor does not provide any of the policies and certificates</li> </ul>
	required, the Employer may affect the insurance which the Contractor should have provided and recover the premiums the Employer has paid from payments otherwise due to the Contractor or, if no payment is due, the payment of the premiums shall be a debt due.
	19.4 Alterations to the terms of insurance shall not be made without the approval of the Project Manager.
	19.5 Both parties shall comply with any conditions of the insurance policies.
20. Site Investigation Reports	20.1 The Contractor, in preparing the Bid, shall rely on any Site Investigation Reports referred to <b>in the SCC</b> , supplemented by any information available to the Contractor.
21. Contractor to Construct the Works	21.1 The Contractor shall construct and install the Works in accordance with the Specifications and Drawings.
22. The Works to Be Completed within intended Completion Date	22.1 The Contractor may commence execution of the Works on the Start Date and shall carry out the Works in accordance with the Program submitted by the Contractor, as updated with the approval of the Project Manager, and complete them within the intended Completion Date.
23. Design by contractor and	23.1 The contractor shall be responsible for the design of permanent works as <b>specified in SCC</b> .
Approval by the Project Manager	23.2 Contractor shall be responsible for design of the Temporary Works. The Contractor shall submit Specifications and Drawings showing the proposed Temporary Works to the Project Manager, for his approval.
	23.3 All Drawings prepared by the Contractor for the execution of the temporary or permanent Works, shall be subject to prior approval by the Project Manager before their use.
	23.4 The Project Manager's approval shall not alter the Contractor's responsibility for design of temporary works.
24. Safety, Security and Protection of	24.1 The Contractor shall, throughout the execution, and completion of the works and remedying of any defects therein:
the Environment	a. Have full regard for the safety of all persons entitled to be upon the site and keep the site (so as the same is under his control) and the works (so far as the same are not completed or occupied by the Employer) in an orderly state appropriate to the avoidance of danger to such persons.
	b. Provide and maintain at his own cost all lights, guards, fencing, warning signs and watching, when necessary or required by the Project Manager or by any duly constituted authority, for the protection of the Works of for the safety and convenience of the public or others.

	c. Take all reasonable steps to protect the environment on and off the site and to avoid damage or nuisance to persons
	or to property of the public or others resulting from pollution, noise or other causes arising as a consequence of his methods of operation.
	d. Ensure that any cut or fill slopes are planted in grass or other plant cover as soon as possible to protect them from erosion.
	e. Any spoil or material removed from drains shall be disposed of to designated stable tipping areas as directed by the Project Manager.
	f. Shall not use fuel wood as a means of heating during the processing or preparation of any materials forming part of the works.
	g. The Project Manager shall have the power to disallow any working practice or activity of the Contractor or direct that such practices or activities be modified should the Project Manager consider, on the advice of the relevant Government Departments, that the practices or activities will be harmful to wildlife.
	h. Provide on the Site such lifesaving apparatus as may be appropriate and an adequate and easily accessible first aid outfit or such outfits as may be required by any government ordinance, factory act, etc., subsequently published and amended from time to time.
25. Discoveries	25.1 Anything of historical or other interest or of significant value unexpectedly discovered on the Site shall be the property of the employer. The Contractor shall notify the Project Manager of such discoveries and carry out the Project Manager's instructions for dealing with them.
26. Possession of the Site	26.1 The Employer shall give possession of all parts of the Site to the Contractor. If possession of a part is not given by the date <b>stated in the SCC</b> , the Employer shall be deemed to have delayed the start of the relevant activities, and this shall be a Compensation Event.
27. Access to the Site	27.1 The Contractor shall allow the Project Manager and any person authorized by the Project Manager access to the Site and to any place where work in connection with the Contract is being carried out or is intended to be carried out.
28. Instructions, Inspections and	28.1 The Contractor shall carry out all instructions of the Project Manager which comply with the applicable laws where the Site is located.
Audits	28.2 The Contractor shall keep, and shall make all reasonable efforts to cause its Subcontractors and sub consultants to keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Works in such form and details as will clearly identify relevant time changes and costs.
	28.3 The Contractor shall permit the GoN/DP and/or persons appointed by the GoN/DP to inspect the Site and/or the accounts and records of the Contractor and its sub-contractors relating to the performance of the Contract, and to have such accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the GoN/DP if required by the GoN/DP. The Contractor's attention is drawn to Sub-Clause 73.2 which provides, inter alia, that acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the GoN's/DP's inspection and audit rights provided for under this Sub-Clause constitute an obstructive practice subject to contract termination.
29. Dispute	29.1 The Employer and the Contractor shall attempt to settle amicably by direct negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them

Settlement	under or in connection with the Contract.			
	29.2 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 referred to Arbitration within 30 days after the expiration of amicable settlement period.			
30. Procedures for Disputes	30.1 In case of arbitration, the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the arbitration procedures published by the Nepal Council of Arbitration (NEPCA) at the place <b>given in the SCC</b> .			
B. Staff and Labor				
31. Forced Labor	31.1 The Contractor shall not employ forced labor, which consists of any work or service, not voluntarily performed, that is exacted from an individual under threat of force or penalty. This covers any kind of involuntary or compulsory labor, such as indentured labor, bonded labor, or similar labor–contracting arrangements.			
32. Child Labor	32.1 The Contractor shall not employ children in a manner that is economically exploitative, or is likely to be hazardous, or to interfere with, the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral, or social development. Where national laws have provisions for employment of minors, the Contractor shall follow those laws applicable to the Contractor. Children below the age of 18 years shall not be employed in dangerous work.			
33.Non- discrimination and Equal Opportunity	34.1 The Contractor shall not make employment decisions on the basis of personal characteristics unrelated to inherent job requirements. The Contractor shall base the employment relationship on the principle of equal opportunity and fair treatment, and shall not discriminate with respect to aspects of the employment relationship, including recruitment and hiring, compensation (including wages and benefits), working conditions and terms of employment, access to training, promotion, termination of employment or retirement, and discipline. In countries where national law provides for non-discrimination in employment, the Contractor shall comply with national law. When national laws are silent on nondiscrimination in employment, the Contractor shall meet this Sub clause's requirements. Special measures of protection or assistance to remedy past discrimination or selection for a particular job based on the inherent requirements of the job shall not be deemed discrimination.			
	B. Time Control			
34. Program	34.1 Within the time <b>stated in the SCC</b> , after the date of the Letter of Acceptance, the Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager for approval a Program showing the general methods, arrangements, order, and timing for all the activities in the Works. In the case of a lump sum contract, the activities in the Program shall be consistent with those in the Activity Schedule.			
	34.2 An update of the Program shall be a program showing the actual progress achieved on each activity and the effect of the progress achieved on the timing of the remaining work, including any changes to the sequence of the activities.			
	34.3 The Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager for approval an updated Program at intervals no longer than the period <b>stated in the SCC</b> . If the			

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	Contractor does not submit an updated Program within this period, the Project Manager may withhold the amount stated in the SCC from the next payment certificate and continue to withhold this amount until the next payment after the date on which the overdue Program has been submitted. In the case of a lump sum contract, the Contractor shall Provide an updated Activity Schedule within 15 days of being instructed to by the Project Manager.
	34.4 The Project Manager's approval of the Program shall not alter the Contractor's obligations. The Contractor may revise the Program and submit it to the Project Manager again at any time. A revised Program shall show the effect of Variations and Compensation Events.
35. Extension of the Intended Completion Date	35.1 The Project Manager shall extend the Intended Completion Date if a Compensation Event occurs or a Variation is issued which makes it impossible for Completion to be achieved by the Intended Completion Date without the Contractor taking steps to accelerate the remaining work, which would cause the Contractor to incur additional cost.
	35.2 The Project Manager shall decide whether and by how much to extend the Intended Completion Date within 21 days of the Contractor asking the Project Manager for a decision upon the effect of a Compensation Event or Variation and submitting full supporting information at least 21 days prior to the intended completion date. If the Contractor has failed to give early warning of a delay or has failed to cooperate in dealing with a delay, the delay by this failure shall not be considered in assessing the new Intended Completion Date.
36. Acceleration	36.1 When the Employer wants the Contractor to finish before the Intended Completion Date, the Project Manager shall obtain priced proposals for achieving the necessary acceleration from the Contractor. If the Employer accepts these proposals, the Intended Completion Date shall be adjusted accordingly and confirmed by both the Employer and the Contractor.
	36.2 If the Contractor's priced proposals for acceleration are accepted by the Employer, they are incorporated in the Contract Price and treated as a Variation.
37. Delays Ordered by the Project Manager	37.1 The Project Manager may instruct the Contractor to delay the start or progress of any activity within the Works.
38. Management Meetings	38.1 Either the Project Manager or the Contractor may require the other to attend a management meeting. The business of a management meeting shall be to review the plans for remaining work and to deal with matters raised in accordance with the early warning procedure.
	38.2 The Project Manager shall record the business of management meetings and provide copies of the record to those attending the meeting and to the Employer. The responsibility of the parties for actions to be taken shall be decided by the Project Manager either at the management meeting or after the management meeting and stated in writing to all who attended the meeting.
39. Early Warning	39.1 The Contractor shall warn the Project Manager at the earliest opportunity of specific likely future events or circumstances that may adversely affect the quality of the work, increase the Contract Price, or delay the execution of the Works. The Project Manager may require the Contractor to provide an estimate of the expected effect of the future event or circumstance on the Contract Price and Completion Date. The estimate shall be provided by

	the Contractor as soon as reasonably possible.
	39.2 The Contractor shall cooperate with the Project Manager in making and considering proposals for how the effect of such an event or circumstance can be avoided or reduced by anyone involved in the work and in carrying out any resulting instruction of the Project Manager.
	C. Quality Control
40.Identifying Defects	40.1 The Project Manager shall check the Contractor's work and notify the Contractor of any Defects that are found. Such checking shall not affect the Contractor's responsibilities. The Project Manager may instruct the Contractor to search for a Defect and to uncover and test any work that the Project Manager considers may have a Defect.
41. Tests	41.1 If the Project Manager instructs the Contractor to carry out a test not specified in the Specification to check whether any work has a Defect and the test shows that it does, the Contractor shall pay for the test and any samples. If there is no Defect, the test shall be a Compensation Event.
42. Correction of Defects	42.1 The Project Manager shall give notice to the Contractor of any Defects before the end of the Defects Liability Period, which begins at Completion, and is <b>defined in the SCC</b> . The Defects Liability Period shall be extended for as long as Defects remain to be corrected.
	42.2 Every time notice of a Defect is given; the Contractor shall correct the notified Defect within the length of time specified by the Project Manager's notice.
43.Uncorrected Defects	43.1 If the Contractor has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Project Manager's notice, the Project Manager shall assess the cost of having the Defect corrected, and the Contractor shall pay this amount.
	D. Cost Control
44. Contract Price	44.1 In the case of a Unit Rate contract, the Bill of Quantities shall contain priced items for the Works to be performed by the Contractor. The Bill of Quantities is used to calculate the Contract Price. The Contractor will be paid for the quantity of the work accomplished at the rate in the Bill of Quantities for each item.
	44.2 In the case of a lump sum contract, the Activity Schedule shall contain the priced activities for the Works to be performed by the Contractor. The Activity Schedule is used to monitor and control the performance of activities on which basis the Contractor will be paid. If payment for Materials on Site shall be made separately, the Contractor shall show delivery of Materials to the Site separately on the Activity Schedule.
45. Changes in the	45.1 In the case of a Unit Rate contract:
Contract Price	(a) If the final quantity of the work done differs from the quantity in the Bill of Quantities for the particular item by more than 25 percent, provided the change exceeds 2 percent of the Initial Contract Price, the Project Manager shall adjust the rate to allow for the change.
	(b) The Project Manager shall not adjust rates from changes in quantities if thereby the Initial Contract Price is exceeded by more than 10 percent, except with the prior approval of the Employer.
	(c) If requested by the Project Manager, the Contractor shall provide the Project Manager with a detailed cost breakdown of any rate in the Bill of

	Quantities.
	45.2 In the case of a lump sum contract, the Activity Schedule shall be amended by the Contractor to accommodate changes of Program or method of working made at the Contractor's own discretion. Prices in the Activity Schedule shall not be altered when the Contractor makes such changes to the Activity Schedule.
46. Variations	46.1 All Variations shall be included in updated Programs, and, in the case of a lump sum contract, also in the Activity Schedule, produced by the Contractor.
	46.2 The Contractor shall provide the Project Manager with a quotation for carrying out the Variation when requested to do so by the Project Manager. The Project Manager shall assess the quotation, which shall be given within seven (7) days of the request or within any longer period stated by the Project Manager and before the Variation is ordered.
	46.3 If the Contractor's quotation is unreasonable, the Project Manager may order the Variation and make a change to the Contract Price, which shall be based on the Project Manager's own forecast of the effects of the Variation on the Contractor's costs.
	46.4 If the Project Manager decides that the urgency of varying the work would prevent a quotation being given and considered without delaying the work, no quotation shall be given and the Variation shall be treated as a Compensation Event.
	46.5 The Contractor shall not be entitled to additional payment for costs that could have been avoided by giving early warning.
	46.6 In the case of an Unit Rate contract, if the work in the Variation corresponds to an item description in the Bill of Quantities and if, in the opinion of the Project Manager, the quantity of work above the limit stated in <b>GCC 45.1</b> or the timing of its execution do not cause the cost per unit of quantity to change, the rate in the Bill of Quantities shall be used to calculate the value of the Variation. If the cost per unit of quantity changes, or if the nature or timing of the work in the Variation does not correspond with items in the Bill of Quantities, the quotation by the Contractor shall be in the form of new rates for the relevant items of work.
47. Cash Flow Forecasts	47.1 When the Program, or, in the case of a lump sum contract, the Activity Schedule, is updated, the Contractor shall provide the Project Manager with an updated cash flow forecast.

48. Payment Certificates	48.1 The Contractor shall submit to the Project Manager monthly statements of the estimated value of the work executed less the cumulative amount certified previously.
	48.2 The Project Manager shall check the Contractor's monthly statement and certify the amount to be paid to the Contractor within 30 days of submission by contractor.
	48.3 The value of work executed shall be determined by the Project Manager.
	48.4 The value of work executed shall comprise:
	(a) In the case of a Unit Rate contract, the value of the quantities of work in the Bill of Quantities that have been completed; or
	(b) In the case of a lump sum contract, the value of work executed shall comprise the value of completed activities in the Activity Schedule.
	48.5 The value of work executed shall include the valuation of Variations and Compensation Events.
	48.6 The Project Manager may exclude any item certified in a previous certificate or reduce the proportion of any item previously certified in any certificate in the light of later information.
49. Payments	49.1 Payments shall be adjusted for deductions for advance payments and retention. The Employer shall pay the Contractor the amounts certified by the Project Manager within 30 days of the date of each certificate. If the Employer makes a late payment, the Contractor shall be paid interest as <b>indicated in the SCC</b> on the late payment in the next payment. Interest shall be calculated from the date by which the payment should have been made up to the date when the late payment is made.
	49.2 If an amount certified is increased in a later certificate or as a result of an award by an Arbitrator, the Contractor shall be paid interest upon the delayed payment as set out in this clause. Interest shall be calculated from the date upon which the increased amount would have been certified in the absence of dispute.
	49.3 Items of the Works for which no rate or price has been entered in BOQ shall not be paid for by the Employer and shall be deemed covered by other rates and prices in the Contract.
50. Compensation	50.1 The following shall be Compensation Events:
Events	(a) The Employer does not give access to a part of the Site by the Site Possession Date pursuant to GCC 26.1.
	(b) The Employer modifies the Schedule of Other Contractors in a way that affects the work of the Contractor under the Contract.
	(c) The Project Manager orders a delay or does not issue Drawings, Specifications, or instructions required for execution of the Works on time.
	(d) The Project Manager instructs the Contractor to uncover or to carry out additional tests upon work, which is then found to have no Defects.
	(e) The Project Manager unreasonably does not approve a subcontract to

	be let.
	(f) Ground conditions are substantially more adverse than could reasonably have been assumed before issuance of the Letter of Acceptance from the information issued to bidders (including the Site Investigation Reports), from information available publicly and from a visual inspection of the Site.
	(g) The Project Manager gives an instruction for dealing with an unforeseen condition, caused by the Employer, or additional work required for safety or other reasons.
	(h) Other contractors, public authorities, utilities, or the Employer does not work within the dates and other constraints stated in the Contract, and they cause delay or extra cost to the Contractor.
	(i) The advance payment is delayed.
	(j) The effects on the Contractor of any of the Employer's Risks.
	(k) The Project Manager unreasonably delays issuing a Certificate of Completion.
	50.2 If a Compensation Event would cause additional cost or would prevent the work being completed before the Intended Completion Date, the Contract Price shall be increased and/or the Intended Completion Date shall be extended. The Project Manager shall decide whether and by how much the Contract Price shall be increased and whether and by how much the Intended Completion Date shall be extended.
	50.3 As soon as information demonstrating effect of each Compensation Event upon the Contractor's forecast cost has been provided by the Contractor, it shall be assessed by the Project Manager, and the Contract Price shall be adjusted accordingly. If the Contractor's forecast is deemed unreasonable, the Project Manager shall adjust the Contract Price based on the Project Manager's own forecast. The Project Manager shall assume that the Contractor shall react competently and promptly to the event.
	50.4 The Contractor shall not be entitled to compensation to the extent that the Employer's interests are adversely affected by the Contractor's not having given early warning or not having cooperated with the Project Manager.
51. Tax	51.1 The Project Manager shall adjust the Contract Price if taxes, duties, and other levies are changed between the date 30 days before the submission of bids for the Contract and the date of the last Completion certificate. The adjustment shall be the change in the amount of tax payable by the Contractor, provided such changes are not already reflected in the Contract Price or are a result of GCC 53.
52. Currency	52.1 The currency of Contracts shall be Nepalese Rupees.
53. Price Adjustment	53.1 Prices shall be adjusted for fluctuations in the cost of inputs only if provided for <b>in the SCC</b> . If so provided, the amounts certified in each payment certificate, before deducting for Advance Payment, shall be adjusted by applying the

respective price adjustment factor to the payment amounts due.
53.2 Adjustment Formulae <sup>3</sup> : The formulae will be of the following general type:
55.2 Aujustinent ronnulae . The formulae will be of the following general type.
$pn = A + b\frac{Ln}{Lo} + c\frac{Mn}{Mo} + d\frac{En}{Eo} + etc.$
Where:
<i>pn</i> is a price adjustment factor to be applied to the amount for the payment of the work carried out in the subject month, determined in accordance with Clause 49;
A is a constant, specified in the Bidding Forms- Table of Price Adjustment data, representing the nonadjustable portion in contractual payments; <sup>4</sup> b, c, d, etc., coefficients representing the estimated proportion of each cost element (labor, materials, equipment usage, etc.) in the Works or sections thereof, net of Provisional Sums, <b>as specified in the SCC</b> ;
<i>Ln, Mn, En,</i> etc., are the current cost indices or reference prices of the cost elements for month "n," determined pursuant to Sub-Clause 53.4, applicable to each cost element; and
<i>Lo, Mo, Eo,</i> etc., are the base cost indices or reference prices corresponding to the above cost elements at the date specified in Sub-Clause 53.4
53.3 Sources of Indices and Weightings: The sources of indices shall be those listed in the Bidding Forms- Table of Price Adjustment data, as approved by the Project Manager and stated in SCC. Indices shall be appropriate for their purpose and shall relate to the Contractor's proposed source of supply of inputs on the basis of which his Contract shall have been computed. As the proposed basis for price adjustment, the Contractor shall have submitted with his bid the tabulation of Weightings and Source of Indices in the Bidding Forms, which shall be subject to approval by the Project Manager.
53.4 Base, Current and Provisional Indices: The base cost indices or prices shall be those prevailing on the day 30 days prior to the latest date for submission of bids. Current indices or prices shall be those prevailing on the day 30 days prior to the last day of the period to which a particular Interim Payment Certificate is related. If at any time the current indices are not available, provisional indices as determined by the Project Manager will be used, subject to subsequent correction of the amounts paid to the Contractor when the current indices become available.
53.5 Weightings: The weightings for each of the factors of cost given in the Bidding Forms shall be adjusted if, in the opinion of the Project Manager, they have been rendered unreasonable, unbalanced or inapplicable as a result of varied or additional work already executed or instructed under Clause 46 or for any other reason.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For complex Works involving several types of construction work with different inputs, a family of Formulae will be necessary. The various items of Day work may also require different formulae, depending on the nature and source of the inputs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Insert a figure for factor A only where there is a part of the Contractors' expenditures which will not be subject to fluctuation in cost or to compensate for the unreliability of some indices. A should normally be 0.15. The sum of A, b, c, d, etc., should be one.

	53.6 Where, price adjustment provision is not applicable pursuant to Sub-clause 53.1 then the Contract is subject to price adjustment only for construction material in accordance with this clause. If the prices of the construction materials stated in the contract is increased or decreased in an unexpected manner in excess of ten (10%) percent in comparison to the base price construction material stated in Section –IV, Bidding Forms-Table of Price Adjustment Data, then the price adjustment for the increase or decrease of price of the construction material beyond 10% shall be made by applying the following formulas:
	For unexpected increase in price
	$P = [R_1 - (R_0 \times 1.10)] \times Q$
	For unexpected decrease in price P
	$= [R_1 - (R_0 \times 0.90)] \times Q$
	Where:
	"P" is price adjustment amount
	"R <sub>1</sub> " is the present price of the construction material (Source of indices shall be those listed in the Bidding forms)
	" $R_0$ " is the base price of the construction material
	"Q" is quantity of the construction material consumed in construction during the period of price adjustment consideration If the Base price and source is to be proposed by the Bidder as per the provision made in Section –IV, Bidding Forms-Table of Price Adjustment Data then the Base price and source filled by Bidder for the construction material stated in the Bidding Form shall be subject to the approval of the Project manager and shall be as <b>stated in SCC</b>
	53.7 The Price Adjustment amount shall be limited to a maximum of the initial Contract Amount <b>as specified in the SCC</b> .
	53.8 The Price Adjustment provision shall not be applicable for delayed period if the contract is not completed in time due to the delay caused by the contractor or the contract is a Lump sum Contract
54. Retention	54.1 The Employer shall retain from each payment due to theContractor the proportion stated in the SCC until Completion of the whole of the Works.
	54.2 Upon the issue of a Defects Liability Certificate by the Project Manager, in accordance with GCC 70.1, half the total amount retained shall be repaid to the Contractor and half when the Contractor has submitted the evidence of submission of tax return to the concerned Internal Revenue Office. On completion of the whole works, the Contractor may substitute retention money with an "on demand" bank guarantee.
55. Liquidated Damages	55.1 The Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the Employer at the rate per day <b>stated in the SCC</b> for each day that the Completion Date is later than the Intended Completion Date. The total amount of liquidated damages shall not exceed the amount <b>defined in the SCC</b> . The Employer may deduct liquidated damages from payments due to the Contractor. Payment of liquidated

	damages shall not affect the Contractor's liabilities.
	<ul> <li>55.2 If the Intended Completion Date is extended after liquidated damages have been paid, the Project Manager shall correct any overpayment of liquidated damages by the Contractor by adjusting the next payment certificate. The Contractor shall be paid interest on the overpayment, calculated from the date of payment to the date of repayment, at the rates specified in GCC.49</li> </ul>
56. Bonus	56.1 The Contractor shall be paid a Bonus calculated at the rate per calendar day <b>stated in the SCC</b> for each day (less any days for which the Contractor is paid for acceleration) that the Completion is earlier than the Intended Completion Date. The Project Manager shall certify that the Works are complete, although they may not be due to be complete.
57. Advance Payment	57.1 The Employer shall make advance payment to the Contractor of the amounts stated in the SCC in two equal installments by the date <b>stated in the SCC</b> , against provision by the Contractor of an unconditional bank guarantee from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.in a form acceptable to the Employer in amounts equal to the advance payment. The guarantee shall remain effective until the advance payment has been repaid, but the amount of the guarantee shall be progressively reduced by the amounts repaid by the Contractor. Interest shall not be charged on the advance payment.
	57.2 The Contractor is to use the advance payment only to pay for Equipment, Plant, Materials, and mobilization expenses required specifically for execution of the Contract. The Contractor shall demonstrate that advance payment has been used in this way by supplying copies of invoices or other documents to the Project Manager.
	57.3 The advance payment shall be repaid by deducting proportionate amounts, <b>as</b> <b>stated in SCC</b> , from payments otherwise due Contractor, following the schedule of completed percentages of the Works on a payment basis. No account shall be taken of the advance payment or its repayment in assessing valuations of work done, Variations, price adjustments, Compensation Events, Bonuses, or Liquidated Damages.
58. Securities	58.1 The Performance Security, including any additional security required as per ITB 35.5 and ITB 40.1, shall be provided to the Employer no later than the date specified in the Letter of Acceptance and shall be issued in an amount <b>specified in the SCC</b> , by a Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal. Acceptable to the Employer, and denominated in Nepalese Rupees. The Performance Security shall be valid until a date 30 days from the date of issue of the Defect Liability Certificate in the case of a bank guarantee.
	Any additional performance security required as per ITB 35.5 shall be valid until a date 30 days from the date of issue of the certificate of Completion in the case of a bank guarantee.
	Any additional performance security required as per ITB 40.1 shall be valid until a date 30 days from the date of issue of the certificate of DLP in the case

	ofa	bank guarantee.
	mu	2 The performance security issued by any foreign Bank outside Nepal st be counter guaranteed by Commercial Bank or Financial Institution ible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.
59. Dayworks	sma give	plicable, the Dayworks rates in the Contractor's Bid shall be used for all additional amounts of work only when the Project Manager has an written instructions in advance for additional work to be paid for in t way.
	forr ver	rork to be paid for as Dayworks shall be recorded by the Contractor on ns approved by the Project Manager. Each completed form shall be ified and signed by the Project Manager within two days of the work ng done.
		Contractor shall be paid for Dayworks subject to obtaining signed works forms.
60. Cost of Repairs	betv rem	or damage to the Works or Materials to be incorporated in the Works ween the Start Date and the end of the Defects Correction periods shall be redied by the Contractor at the Contractor's cost if the loss or damage es from the Contractor's acts or omissions.
		F. Force Majeure
61. Definition of	61.1 In thi	s Clause, "Force Majeure" means an exceptional event or circumstance,
Force Majeure	(a)	which is beyond a Party's control;
	(b)	which such Party could not reasonably have provided against before entering into the Contract;
	(c)	which, having arisen, such Party could not reasonably have avoided or overcome; and
	(d) whi	ch is not substantially attributable to the other Party.
	circ	ce Majeure may include, but is not limited to, exceptional events or umstances of the kind listed below, so long as conditions (a) to (d) ve are satisfied:
	(a)	war, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), invasion, act of foreign enemies;
	(b)	rebellion, terrorism, sabotage by persons other than the Contractor's Personnel, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power, or civil war;
	(c)	riot, commotion, disorder, strike or lockout by persons other than the Contractor's Personnel;
	(d)	munitions of war, explosive materials, ionizing radiation or contamination by radio-activity, except as may be attributable to the
		Contractor's use of such munitions, explosives, radiation or radio- activity; and

	volcanic activity.
62. Notice of Force Majeure	62.1 If a Party is or will be prevented from performing its substantial obligations under the Contract by Force Majeure, then it shall give notice to the other Party of the event or circumstances constituting the Force Majeure and shall specify the obligations, the performance of which is or will be prevented. The notice shall be given within 14 days after the Party became aware, or should have become aware, of the relevant event or circumstance constituting Force Majeure.
	62.2 The Party shall, having given notice, be excused performance of its obligations for so long as such Force Majeure prevents it from performing them.
	62.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Clause, Force Majeure shall not apply to obligations of either Party to make payments to the other Party under the Contract.
63. Duty to Minimize Delay	63.1 Each Party shall at all times use all reasonable endeavors to minimize any delay in the performance of the Contract as a result of Force Majeure.
	63.2 A Party shall give notice to the other Party when it ceases to be affected by the Force Majeure.
64. Consequences of Force Majeure	64.1 If the Contractor is prevented from performing its substantial obligations under the Contract by Force Majeure of which notice has been given under GCC 62, and suffers delay and/or incurs Cost by reason of such Force Majeure, the Contractor shall be entitled subject to GCC 30 to
	(a) an extension of time for any such delay, if completion is or will be delayed, under GCC35 ; and
	<ul> <li>(b) if the event or circumstance is of the kind described in sub- paragraphs (a) to (d) of GCC 61.2 and, in the case of subparagraphs (b) to (d), occurs in the Country, payment of any such Cost, including the costs of rectifying or replacing the Works and/or Goods damaged or destructed by Force Majeure, to the extent they are not indemnified through the insurance policy referred to in GCC 19.</li> </ul>
	64.2 After receiving this notice, the Project Manager shall proceed in accordance with GCC 10 to agree or determine these matters.
65. Force Majeure Affecting Subcontractor	65.1 If any Subcontractor is entitled under any contract or agreement relating to the Works to relief from force majeure on terms additional to or broader than those specified in this Clause, such additional or broader force majeure events or circumstances shall not excuse the Contractor's nonperformance or entitle him to relief under this Clause.
66. Optional Termination,	66.1 If the execution of substantially all the Works in progress is prevented for a continuous period of 90 days by reason of Force Majeure of which notice

Payment and Release	has been given under GCC 62, or for multiple periods which total more than 150 days due to the same notified Force Majeure, then either Party may give to the other Party a notice of termination of the Contract. In this event the termination shall take effect 7 days after the notice is given, and the Contractor shall proceed in accordance with GCC 72.5.
	66.2 Upon such termination, the Project Manager shall determine the value or the work done and issue a Payment Certificate, which shall include
	<ul> <li>(a) the amounts payable for any work carried out for which a price is stated in the Contract;</li> </ul>
	(b) the Cost of Plant and Materials ordered for the Works which have been delivered to the Contractor, or of which the Contractor is liable to accept delivery: this Plant and Materials shall become the property of (and be at the risk of) the Employer when paid for by the Employer, and the Contractor shall place the same at the Employer's disposal;
	<ul> <li>(c) other Costs or liabilities which in the circumstances were reasonably and necessarily incurred by the Contractor in the expectation o completing the Works;</li> </ul>
	(d) the Cost of removal of Temporary Works and Contractor's Equipment from the Site and the return of these items to the Contractor's works in his country (or to any other destination at no greater cost); and
	(e) the Cost of repatriation of the Contractor's staff and labor employed wholly in connection with the Works at the date of termination.
67. Release from Performance	67.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Clause, if any event of circumstance outside the control of the Parties (including, but not limited to, Force Majeure) arises, which makes it impossible or unlawful for either or both Parties to fulfill its or their contractual obligations or which, under the law governing the Contract, entitles the Parties to be released from further performance of the Contract, then upon notice by either Party to the other Party of such event or circumstance,
	(a) the Parties shall be discharged from further performance, without prejudice to the rights of either Party in respect of any previous breach of the Contract; and
	(b) the sum payable by the Employer to the Contractor shall be the same as would have been payable under GCC 66 if the Contract had beer terminated under GCC 66.
	G. Finishing the Contract
68. Completion	68.1 The Contractor shall request the Project Manager to issue a certificate of Completion of the Works, and the Project Manager shall do so upon deciding that the work is completed.
	68.2 In addition to the other provisions, before acceptance of the completed works, Employer shall verify and assure that such works are within the set

	objective, quality and appropriate to operate and use.
69. Taking Over	69.1 The Employer shall take over the Site and the Works within seven days of the Project Manager's issuing a certificate of Completion.
70. Final Account	70.1 The Contractor shall supply the Project Manager with a detailed account of the total amount that the Contractor considers payable under the Contract before the end of the Defects Liability Period. The Project Manager shall issue a Defects Liability Certificate and certify any final payment that is due to the Contractor within 60 days of receiving the Contractor's account if it is correct and complete. If it is not, the Project Manager shall issue within 60 days a schedule that states the scope of the corrections or additions that are necessary. If the Final Account is still unsatisfactory after it has been resubmitted, the Project Manager shall decide on the amount payable to the Contractor and issue a payment certificate.
71. Operating and Maintenance	71.1 If "as built" Drawings and/or operating and maintenance manuals are required, the Contractor shall supply them by the <b>dates stated in the SCC</b> .
Manuals	71.2 If the Contractor does not supply the Drawings and/or manuals by the dates <b>stated in the SCC</b> pursuant to <b>GCC 71.1</b> , or they do not receive the Project Manager's approval, the Project Manager shall withhold the amount <b>stated in the SCC</b> from payments due to the Contractor.
72. Termination	72.1 The Employer may terminate the Contract at any time if the contractor;
	<ul><li>a. does not commence the work as per the Contract,</li><li>b. abandons the work without completing,</li><li>c. fails to achieve progress as per the Contract.</li></ul>
	72.2 The Employer or the Contractor may terminate the Contract if the other party causes a fundamental breach of the Contract.
	72.3 Fundamental breaches of Contract shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following :
	(a) The Contractor uses the advance payment for matters other than the contractual obligations,
	(b) the Contractor stops work for 30 days when no stoppage of work is shown on the current Program and the stoppage has not been authorized by the Project Manager;
	(c) the Project Manager instructs the Contractor to delay the progress of the Works, and the instruction is not withdrawn within 30 days;
	(d) the Employer or the Contractor is made bankrupt or goes into liquidation other than for a reconstruction or amalgamation.
	<ul> <li>(e) a payment certified by the Project Manager is not paid by the Employer to the Contractor within 90 days of the date of the Project Manager's certificate;</li> </ul>
	(f) the Project Manager gives Notice that failure to correct a particular Defect is a fundamental breach of Contract and the Contractor fails to correct it within a reasonable period of time determined by the Project Manager;
	(g) the Project Manager gives two consecutive Notices to update the Program and accelerate the works to ensure compliance with GCC Sub clause 22.1 and the Contractor fails to update the Program and demonstrate acceleration of the works within a reasonable period of time determined by

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	the Project Manager;
	(h) the Contractor does not maintain a Security, which is required;
	<ul> <li>(i) the Contractor has delayed the completion of the Works by the number of days for which the maximum amount of liquidated damages can be paid, as defined in the SCC; and</li> </ul>
	(j) If the Contractor, in the judgment of the Employer has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract, pursuant to GCC 73.1.
	72.4 When either party to the Contract gives notice of a breach of Contract to the Project Manager for a cause other than those listed under GCC 72.3 above, the Project Manager shall decide whether the breach is fundamental or not.
	72.5 Notwithstanding the above, the Employer may terminate the Contract for convenience.
	72.6 If the Contract is terminated, the Contractor shall stop work immediately, make the Site safe and secure, and leave the Site as soon as reasonably possible.
73. Fraud and Corruption	73.1 If the Employer determines that the Contractor has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices, in competing for or in executing the Contract, then the Employer may, after giving 15 days notice to the Contractor, terminate the Contractor's employment under the Contract and expel him from the Site.
	73.2 Should any employee of the Contractor be determined to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practice during the execution of the Works, then that employee shall be removed in accordance with GCC Clause 15.
	For the purposes of this GCC 73;
	<ul> <li>(i) "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(ii) "fraudulent practice"<sup>5</sup> is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(iii) "collusive practice"<sup>6</sup> is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(iv) "coercive practice"<sup>7</sup> is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;</li> </ul>
	(v) "obstructive practice" is
	(aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede an investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or

	(bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the GON's/DP's inspection and audit rights provided for under GCC28.3.
74. Black Listing	74.1 Without prejudice to any other rights of the Employer under this Contract, GoN, Public Procurement Monitoring Office (PPMO), on the recommendation of procuring entity, may blacklist a Bidder for its conduct for a period of one (1) to three (3) years on the following grounds and seriousness of the act committed by the bidder:
	(a) if it is established that the Contractor has committed substantial defect in implementation of the contract or has not substantially fulfilled its obligations under the contract or the completed work is not of the specified quality as per the contract.
	<ul> <li>(b) If convicted from a court of law in a criminal offense liable to be disqualified for taking part in procurement contract,</li> <li>(c) If it is established that the Contractor has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.</li> </ul>
75. Payment upon Termination	75.1 If the Contract is terminated because of a fundamental breach of Contract by the Contractor, the Project Manager shall issue a certificate for the value of the work done and Materials ordered less advance payments received up to the date of the issue of the certificate. Additional Liquidated Damages shall not apply. If the total amount due to the Employer exceeds any payment due to the Contractor, the difference shall be a debt payable to the Employer.
	75.2 If the Contract is terminated for the Employer's convenience or because of a fundamental breach of Contract by the Employer, the Project Manager shall issue a certificate for the value of the work done, Materials ordered, the reasonable cost of removal of Equipment, repatriation of the Contractor's personnel employed solely on the Works, and the Contractor's costs of protecting and securing the Works, and less advance payments received up to the date of the certificate.
	75.3 If the Contract is terminated because of fundamental breach of Contract or for any other fault by the Contractor, the performance security shall be forfeited by the Employer.
	In such case, amount to complete the remaining works as per the Contract shall be recovered from the Contractor as Government dues.
76. Property	76.1 All Materials on the Site, Plant, Equipment, Temporary Works, and Works shall be deemed to be the property of the Employer if the Contract is terminated because of the Contractor's default.
77. Release from Performance	77.1 If the Contract is frustrated by the outbreak of war or by any other event entirely outside the control of either the Employer or the Contractor, the Project Manager shall certify that the Contract has been frustrated. The Contractor shall make the Site safe and stop work as quickly as possible after receiving this certificate and shall be paid for all work carried out before receiving it and for any work carried out afterwards to which a commitment was made.
78.Suspension of DP Loan/Credit/Gr	78.1 In the event that the DP suspends the loan/ credit/grant to the Employer from which part of the payments to the Contractor are being made:
ant	<ul> <li>a. the Employer is obligated to notify the Contractor of such suspension within 7 days of having received the DP's suspension notice; and</li> </ul>
	b. if the Contractor has not received sums due him within the 30 days for

	payment provided for in GCC 49.1, the Contractor may immediately issue a 15-day termination notice.
79. Eligibility	79.1 The Contractor shall have the nationality of an eligible country as specified in Section V of the bidding document. The Contractor shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Contractor is a citizen or is constituted, or incorporated, and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including related services.
	79.2 The materials, equipment, and services to be supplied under the Contract shall have their origin in eligible source countries as specified in Section V of the bidding document and all expenditures under the Contract will be limited to such materials, equipment, and services. At the Employer's request, the Contractor may be required to provide evidence of the origin of materials, equipment, and services.
	79.3 For purposes of GCC 79.2, "origin" means the place where the materials and equipment are mined, grown, produced, or manufactured, and from which the services are provided. Materials and equipment are produced when, through manufacturing, processing, or substantial or major assembling of components, a commercially recognized product results that differs substantially in its basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
80. Project Manager's Duties and Authorities	80.1 The Project Manager's duties and authorities are restricted to the extent as stated in the SCC.
81. Quarries and Spoil Dumps	81.1 Any quarry operated as part of this Contract shall be maintained and left in a stable condition without steep slopes and be either refilled or drained and be landscaped by appropriate planting. Rock or gravel taken from a river shall be removed over some distance so as to limit the depth of material removed at any one location, not disrupt the river flow or damage or undermine the river banks. The Contractor shall not deposit excavated material on land in Government or private ownership except as directed by the Project Manager in writing or by permission in writing of the authority responsible for such land in Government ownership, or of the owner or responsible representative of the owner of such land in private ownership, and only then in those places and under such conditions as the authority, owner or responsible representative may prescribe.
82. Local Taxation	82.1 The prices bid by the Contractor shall include all taxes that may be levied in accordance to the laws and regulations in being in Nepal on the date 30 days prior to the closing date for submissions of Bids on the Contractor's equipment, plant and materials acquired for the purpose of the Contract and on the services performed under the Contract. Nothing in the Contract shall relieve the Contractor from his responsibility to pay any tax that may be levied in Nepal on profits made by him in respect of the Contract.
83. Value Added	83.1 The Contract is not exempted from value added tax. An amount specified in the schedule of taxes shall be paid by the Contractor in the

Тах	concerned VAT office within time frame specified in VAT regulation.
84. Income Taxes on Staff	84.1 The Contractor's staff, personnel and labor will be liable to pay personal income taxes in Nepal in respect of their salaries and wages, as are chargeable under the laws and regulations for the time being in force, and the Contractor shall perform such duties in regard to such deductions as may be imposed on him by such laws and regulations.
	84.2 The issue of the Final Account Certificate pursuant to clause GCC 70 shall be made only upon submittal by the Contractor of a certificate of income tax clearance from the Government of Nepal.
85. Duties, Taxes and Royalties	85.1 Any element of royalty, duty or tax in the price of any goods including fuel oil, and lubricating oil, cement, timber, iron and iron goods locally procured by the Contractor for the works shall be included in the Contract rates and prices and no reimbursement or payment in that respect shall be made to the Contractor.
	85.2 The Contractor shall familiarize himself with GON the rules and regulations with regard to customs, duties, taxes, clearing of goods and equipment, immigration and the like, and it will be necessary for him to follow the required procedures regardless of the assistance as may be provided by the Employer wherever possible.
	85.3 The Contractor shall pay and shall not be entitled to the reimbursement of cost of extracting construction materials such as sand, stone/boulder, gravel, etc. from the river beds or quarries. Such prices will be levied by the local District Development Committee (DDC) as may be in force at the time. The Contractor, sub-contractor(s) employed directly by him and for whom he is responsible, will not be exempted from payment of royalties, taxes or other kinds of surcharges on these construction materials so extracted and paid for to the DDC.
86. Member of Government, etc., not Personally Liable	86.1 No member or officer of GoN or the Employer or the Project Manager or any of their respective employees shall be in any way personally bound or liable for the act or obligations of the Employer under the Contract or answerable for any default or omission in the observance or performance of any of act, matter or thing which are herein contained.
87. Approval of Use of Explosives	87.1 No explosives of any kind shall be used by the Contractor without the prior consent of the Employer in writing and the Contractor shall provide, store and handle these and all other items of every kind whatsoever required for blasting operations, all at his own expense in a manner approved in writing by the Employer.
88 Compliance with Regulations for Explosives	88.1 The Contractor shall comply with all relevant ordinances, instructions and regulations which the Government, or other person or persons having due authority, may issue from time to time regarding the handling, transportation, storage and use of explosives.
89. Permission for Blasting	89.1 The Contractor shall at all times maintain full liaison with and inform well in advance, and obtain such permission as is required from all Government authorities, public bodies and private parties whatsoever concerned or affected, or likely to be concerned or affected by blasting

	operation.
90. Records of Explosives	90.1 Before the beginning of the Defects Liability Period, the Contractor shall account to the satisfaction of the Project Manager for all explosives brought on to the Site during the execution of the Contract and the Contractor shall remove all unused explosives from the Site on completion of works when ordered by the Project Manager.
91.Traffic Diversion	91.1 The Contractor shall include the necessary safety procedures regarding and pedestrian traffic diversion that is needed in execution of the works. The Contractor shall include in his costing of works, any temporary works or diversion that are needed during the construction period. All traffic diversion should be designed for the safety of both the motoring public and the men at work. It shall ensure the uninterrupted flow of traffic and minimum inconvenience to the public during the period concerned. As such, adequate warning signs, flagmen and other relevant safety precautionary measures shall be provided to warn motorists and pedestrians well ahead of the intended diversion as directed by the Project Manager. All traffic devices used shall be designed in accordance with the instruction of Project Manager.

# **Section IX: Special Conditions of Contract**

The following Special Conditions of Contract shall supplement the GCC. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in the GCC

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# Special Conditions of Contract

A. General			
GCC 1.1 (q)	The Employer is <i>Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development</i> Board, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Ward No. 18, Nepal		
GCC 1.1 (v)	The Intended Completion Date for the whole of the Works shall be: <i>9 months from the date of Work Order</i>		
GCC 1.1(bb) &	The Project Manager is Mr		
10.1	The Project Manager and Engineer are synonyms.		
GCC 1.1 (ee)	The Site is located at <i>Chitlang, Makwanpur.</i>		
GCC 1.1 (hh)	The Start Date shall be <b>the date of work order</b>		
GCC 1.1 (II)	The Works consist of Construction of 500kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System		
GCC 2.2	Sectional Completions are: Not applicable.		
GCC 2.3(i)	The following documents also form part of the Contract: Not applicable		
GCC 3.1	The language of the contract is ENGLISH/NEPALI		
	The law that applies to the Contract is the law of NEPAL		
GCC 11.1	The Project Manager may delegate any of his duties and responsibilities.		
GCC 13.1	Maximum percentage of subcontracting permitted is: 25% of the total Contract Amount		
	Nature of Works that can be sub contracted: As per selected Bidder's Choice		
	Qualification Criteria:		
	The proposed sub-contractor shall meet the following requirements:		
	1) Completion of 80% of the quantity of the work being sub contracted		
	2) Average Annual Turnover for the work being sub contracted should be at least V/T where V is the proposed value of sub contract and T is time in year. For contract duration of up to 1 year, T shall be "1". Financial Resources:		
	The sub contract must demonstrate that it has the financial resources to meet its current contract commitment plus three months' requirements for the sub contracted work.		
GCC 14.1	Schedule of other contractors: Not Applicable		
GCC 18.1	In addition, adjacent properties, environmental risk, public liabilities etc. are also contractor's risk		

GCC 19.1	The minimum insurance amounts and deductibles shall be:		
	<ol> <li>The minimum cover for loss of or damage to the Works, Plant and Materials is: 110% of the Value of Assets/Work</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>The maximum deductible for insurance of the Works and of Plant and Materials is: N<i>Rs. 50,000</i></li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>The minimum cover for loss or damage to Equipment is: 110% of the Value of Assets</li> </ol>		
	4. The maximum deductible for insurance of Equipment is: <i>NRs. 25,000</i>		
	5. The minimum for insurance of other property is: <b>110% of the Value of Assets</b> with unlimited number of occurrences		
	6. The maximum deductible for insurance of other property is: <i>NRs. 50,000</i>		
	7. The minimum cover for personal injury or death insurance		
	i. for the Contractor's employees is that specified in the Labor act of Nepal and		
	ii. for other people is: <b>NRs. 1 Million</b> per person for 20 persons with an unlimited number of occurrences		
GCC 20.1	Site Investigation Reports are: The bidder shall make his/her own investigations regarding field conditions		
GCC 23.1	The following shall be designed by the Contractor: Temporary structure		
GCC 26.1	The Site Possession Date(s) shall be: within 15 days from <i>the date of Agreement</i>		
GCC 29.2	If disputes are not settled by mutual understanding and it will be settled by Arbitration as per <b>Nepal Arbitration Act 2055</b>		
GCC 30.1	The place of arbitration shall be: As per Rule of Arbitration or Employer's Office		
	C. Time Control		
GCC 34.1	The Contractor shall submit for approval a Program for the Works within 7 days from the date of the Letter of Acceptance.		
GCC 34.3	The period between Program updates is 30 days.		
	The amount to be withheld for late submission of an updated Program is NRs. 5,00,000/-		
	D. Quality Control		
GCC 42.1	The Defects Liability Period is: <b>365</b> days.		
E. Cost Control			
GCC 49.1	Not Applicable		
GCC 53.1	The Contract <i>is not</i> subject to price adjustment, and the following information regarding coefficients <i>does not</i> apply.		
GCC 53.6	Not Applicable.		

GCC 53.7	Not Applicable		
GCC 54.1	The proportion of payments retained is: 5 (five) percent		
GCC 55.1	The liquidated damages for the whole of the Works are 0.05 Percent of the final Contract Price per day. The maximum amount of liquidated damages for the whole of the Works is 10 Percent of the final Contract Price.		
GCC 56.1	The Bonus for the whole of the Works is 0.05 Percent per day. The maximum amoun of Bonus for the whole of the Works is <b>5%</b> of the final Contract Price.		
GCC 57.1	The Advance Payment shall be: <b>10%</b> of the contract amount and shall be paid to the Contractor.		
	The Advance Payment shall be: Maximum 10% of the contract amount in single installment shall be paid to the Contractor no later than 15 days from the date of request upon submission of the unconditional advance bank guarantee in the amount equal to the advance amount from Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law of Nepal as well as evidence of team mobilization, submission of insurance policy and completion of site survey.		
GCC 57.3	Deductions from Payment Certificates will commence in the first certificate in which the value of works executed exceeds 30% of the Contract Price. Deduction will be at the rate of 40% of the respective Monthly Interim Payment Certificate until such time as the advance payment has been repaid; provided that the advance payment shall be completely repaid prior to the end of 80% of the approved contract period.		
GCC 58.1	The Performance Security amount is: Based on ITB 40.1 and/or ITB 35.5 if the Employer has increased the Performance Security amount		
	G. Finishing the Contract		
GCC 71.1	The date by which operating and maintenance manuals are required is: within 15 days of completion date		
GCC 71.2	The date by which "as built" drawings are required is: within 15 days from the date of completion		
	The amount to be withheld for failing to produce "as built" drawings and/or Operating and maintenance manuals is: Rs. 250,000/-		
GCC 72.3 (i)	The maximum number of days is: <b>200</b>		
GCC 80	The Project Manager has to obtain the specific approval of the Employer for taking any of the following actions:		
	<ul> <li>Approving subcontracting of any part of the works under General Conditions of Contract Clause 13;</li> </ul>		
	b. Certifying additional costs determined under General Conditions of Contract Clause 50;		
	c. Determining start date under General Conditions of Contract Clause 1;		
	<ul> <li>Determining the extension of the intended Completion Date under General Conditions of Contract Clause 35;</li> </ul>		

e.	Issuing a Variation under General Conditions of Contract Clause 1 and 46, except in an emergency situation, as reasonably determined by the Project Manager; emergency situation may be defined as the situation when protective measures must be taken for the safety of life or of the works or of adjoining property.
f.	Adjustment of rates under General Conditions of Contract Clause 45;

# **Section X: Contract Forms**

This Section contains forms which, once completed, will form part of the Contract. The forms for Performance Security and Advance Payment Security, when required, shall only be completed by the successful Bidder after contract award.

#### Letter of Intent [on letterhead paper of the Employer]

Date: ... .....

To: .....Name and address of the Contractor.....

#### Subject: Issuance of letter of intent to award the contract.

Authorized Signature: .....

Name: ....

Title: .....

CC: [Insert name and address of all other Bidders, who submitted the bid]

#### [Notes on Letter of Intent

The issuance of Letter of Intent is the information of the selection of the bid of the successful bidder by the Employer and for providing information to other unsuccessful bidders who participated in the bid as regards to the outcome of the procurement process. This standard form of Letter of Intent to Award should be filled in and sent to the successful Bidder only after evaluation and selection of substantially responsible lowest evaluated bid.]

#### Letter of Acceptance [on letterhead paper of the Employer]

Date: .....

#### To: .....Name and address of the Contractor..... Subject: Notification of Award

# This is to notify that your Bid dated ......*date* ......*date* .....for execution of the *Construction of 500 kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System, Contract identification number MBUSTDB/W/NCB/03-2077/78* for the Contract price of Nepalese Rupees *[insert amount in figures and words in Nepalese Rupees],* as corrected in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders is hereby accepted in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders.

You are hereby instructed to contact this office to sign the formal contract agreement within 15 days with Performance Security of **NRs**. ...... in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, using for that purpose the Performance security Form included in Section X (Contract Forms) of this Bidding Document.

Authorized Signature: .....

Name and Title of Signatory: .....

#### **Contract Agreement**

WHEREAS the Employer desires that the Works known as *Construction of 500 kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System at Chitlang* should be executed by the Contractor, and has accepted a Bid by the Contractor for the execution and completion of these Works and the remedying of any defects in the sum of NRs *......[insert amount of contract price in words and figures including taxes]*(hereinafter "the Contract Price").

The Employer and the Contractor agree as follows:

- 1. In this Agreement words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Contract documents referred to.
- 2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement. This Agreement shall prevail over all other Contract documents.
  - (a) the Letter of Acceptance;
  - (b) the Letters of Technical and Price Bid;
  - (c) the Addenda Nos ..... Insert addenda numbers if any .....
  - (d) the Special Conditions of Contract;
  - (e)the List of Eligible Countries that was specified in Section V of the bidding document,
  - (f) the General Conditions of Contract;
  - (g) the Specification;
  - (h) the Drawings;
  - (i) Bill of Quantities (or Schedules of Prices for lump sum contracts), and
  - (j) Table of Price Adjustment Data
  - (k)List of Approved Subcontractors [For GoN funded project]

(I).....[Specify if there are any other document]

- 3. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Employer to the Contractor as indicated in this Agreement, the Contractor hereby covenants with the Employer to execute the Works and to remedy defects therein in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.
- 4. The Employer hereby covenants to pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution and completion of the Works and the remedying of defects therein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Contract.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance with the laws of Nepal on the day, month and year indicated above.

Signed by ..... for and on behalf the Contractor in the presence of

Witness, Name Signature, Address, Date

Signed by..... for and on behalf of the Employer in the presence of

Witness, Name, Signature, Address, Date

# **List of Approved Subcontractors**

In accordance with GCC Sub-Clause 13.1, The following Subcontractors are approved for carrying out the work as specified below.

Name of Subcontractors	Description of Works	Value/Percentage of subcontract

### Letter of Commitment for Bank's Undertaking for Line of Credit

Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office (On Letter head of the Commercial bank or any Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law)

Date: Contract No:

Name of Contract:

To:

#### [Name and address of the Employer]

#### CREDIT COMMITTMENT No: [insert number]

We are pleased to know that *[name of Contractor]* (hereinafter called "the Contractor") has been awarded the Contract for the execution of the Works of *[description of works]* for above contract. Furthermore, we understand that, according to your conditions, the Contractor's Financial Capacity i.e. Liquid Asset must be substantiated by a Letter of Commitment of Bank's Undertaking for Line of Credit. At the request of, and arrangement with, the Contractor, we *[name and address of the Bank]* do hereby agree and undertake that *[name and address of the Contractor]* will be provided by us with a revolving line of credit, for execution of the Works viz. *[insert name of the works]*, for an amount not less than NRs ......*[in figure]* ( *in words*) for the sole purpose of the execution of the above Contract. This Revolving Line of Credit will be maintained by us until *[Insert "Initial Contract Period"]* months by the Procuring Entity.

This committed line of credit shall not be terminated or cancelled without the prior written approval of Employer.

In witness whereof, authorised representative of the Bank has hereunto signed and sealed this Letter of Commitment.

Signature	Signature
Name:	Name:
Designation:	Designation:

# **Performance Security**

#### (On letterhead paper of the Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.)

.....Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office .....Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office ..... Beneficiary: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board, Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal

Date: .....

Performance Guarantee No.:....

We have been informed that ... ... *[insert name of the Contractor]* (hereinafter called "the Contractor") has been notified by you to sign the Contract No. *MBUSTDB/W/NCB/03-2077/78* .......*[insert reference number of the Contract]* for the execution of *Construction of 500 kWp Grid Connected Solar PV System a Chitlang* (hereinafter called "the Contract").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to the conditions of the Contract, a performance guarantee is required.

#### .....

#### Seal of Bank and Signature(s)

Note:

All italicized text is for guidance on how to prepare this demand guarantee and shall be deleted from the final document.

\* The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the percentage of the Contract Price specified in the Contract in Nepalese Rupees.

\*\* Insert the date thirty days after the date specified for the Defect Liability Period. The Employer should note that in the event of an extension of the time for completion of the Contract, the Employer would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Employer might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to exceed [six months], in response to the Employer's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee".

# **Advance Payment Security**

#### (On letterhead paper of the Commercial Bank or Financial Institution eligible to issue Bank Guarantee as per prevailing Law in Nepal.)

...... Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office.....

Beneficiary: Madan Bhandari University of Science and Technology Development Board, Setopati, Sainbu, Lalitpur Metropolitan City Ward 18, Nepal

Date : .....

Advance Payment Guarantee No.....

We have been informed that ......has entered into Contract No. ..... *Name and Address of Employer*.....*name of the Contractor*.....(hereinafter called "the Contractor")..reference number of the Contract.......dated ...... with you, for the execution of ...contract and brief description of Works *Construction of Grid Connected Solar PV System*. (hereinafter called "the Contract").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to the Conditions of the Contract, an advance payment in the sum...... name of the currency and amount in figures **\***...(.... amount in words .....) is to be made against an advance payment guarantee.

The maximum amount of this guarantee shall be progressively reduced by the amount of the advance payment repaid by the Contractor as indicated in copies of interim statements or payment certificates which shall be presented to us. This guarantee shall expire, at the latest, upon our receipt of a copy of the interim payment certificate indicating that eighty (80) percent of the Contract Price has been certified for payment, or on the ...... day of ......\*\*, whichever is earlier. Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at this office on or before that date.

# Seal of Bank and Signature(s)

#### Note:

All italicized text is for guidance on how to prepare this demand guarantee and shall be deleted from the final document.

\*The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the amount of the advance payment in Nepalese Rupees of the advance payment as specified in the Contract.

\*\* Insert the date Thirty days after the expected completion date. The Employer should note that in the event of an extension of the time for completion of the Contract, the Employer would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Employer might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to exceed [six months], in response to the Employer's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee".

Annex-1 Technical Specifications