

Format of Bank Guarantee

(To be executed on Rs. 1000/- Non-Judicial stamp paper)

[Reference number of the bank]

[date]

To

[insert name and address of the relevant Subsidiary]

WHEREAS

1. [Name of the Successful Bidder], a company incorporated in India under the Companies Act, [1956/2013] with corporate identity number [CIN of the Successful Bidder], whose registered office is at [address of registered office], India and principal place of business is at [address of principal place of business, if different from registered office] **OR** [Name of the Individual], an individual residing at [address] and carrying on a sole proprietorship business under the name style of [Name of Successful Bidder] at [address of sole proprietorship], **OR** [Name of the Successful Bidder], a limited liability partnership incorporated under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008, with its registered office at [address of registered office] **OR** [Name of the Individual], an individual residing at [address], [Name of the Individual], an individual residing at [address] and [Name of the Individual], an individual residing at [address] all carrying on a partnership business under the name style of [Name of the Successful Bidder] registered under [name of Act under which the firm is registered] and with its principal place of business at [address of principal place of business] **OR** [Name of the Successful Bidder], a [insert legal nature of the Successful Bidder (e.g. trust, society etc.)] incorporated under the [insert statute under which the Successful Bidder is incorporated] with its registered office/ principal place of business/ office at [address of registered office/ principal place of business/office] (hereinafter referred to as the “**Purchaser**”) is required to provide an unconditional and irrevocable bank guarantee for an amount equal to INR [figures] (Indian Rupees [words]) as a performance security valid until [date of expiry of performance bank guarantee] (“**Expiry Date**”) with claim period upto [date of claim period] (“**Claim Period**”).
2. The Performance Security is required to be provided to **NLC India Limited** (the “**Seller**”) for discharge of certain obligations of the Purchaser under the Scheme Document dated, [date] with respect to Mid-Term E-Auction conducted on 16.07.2024 and the agreement to be executed between the Seller and the Purchaser (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Agreement**”).

We, [name of the bank] (the “**Bank**”) at the request of the Purchaser do hereby undertake to pay to the Seller an amount not exceeding INR [figures] (Indian Rupees [words]) (“**Guarantee Amount**”) to secure the obligations of the Purchaser under the Agreement on demand from the Seller on the terms and conditions contained herein.

NOW THEREFORE, the Bank hereby issues in favour of the seller this irrevocable and unconditional payment bank guarantee (the “**Guarantee**”) on behalf of the Purchaser in the Guarantee Amount:

3. The Bank for the purpose hereof unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to pay to the Seller without any demur, reservation, caveat, protest or recourse, immediately on receipt of first written demand from the Seller, a sum or sums (by way of one or more claims) not exceeding the Guarantee Amount in the aggregate without the Seller needing to prove or to show to the

Bank grounds or reasons for such demand for the sum specified therein and notwithstanding any dispute or difference between the Seller and Purchaser on any matter whatsoever. The Bank undertakes to pay to the Seller any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the Purchaser in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or tribunal relating thereto the Bank's liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal.

4. The Bank acknowledges that any such demand by the Seller of the amounts payable by the Bank to the Seller shall be final, binding and conclusive evidence in respect of the amounts payable by Purchaser to the Seller under the Agreement.
5. The Bank hereby waives the necessity for the Seller from demanding the aforesaid amount or any part thereof from the Purchaser and also waives any right that the Bank may have of first requiring the Seller to pursue its legal remedies against the Purchaser, before presenting any written demand to the Bank for payment under this Guarantee.
6. The Bank further unconditionally agrees with the Seller that the Seller shall be at liberty, without the Bank's consent and without affecting in any manner the Bank's obligation under this Guarantee, from time to time to: (i) vary and/ or modify and of the terms and conditions of the Agreement; (ii) extend and/ or postpone the time for performance of the obligations of the Purchaser under the Agreement, or (iii) forbear or enforce any of the rights exercisable by the Seller against the Purchaser under the terms and conditions of the Agreement and the Bank shall not be relieved from its liability by reason of any such act or omission on the part of the Seller or any indulgence by the Seller to the Purchaser or other thing whatsoever which under the law relating to sureties would, but for this provision, have the effect of relieving the Bank of its obligations under this Guarantee.
7. Any payment made hereunder shall be made free and clear of and without deduction for, or on account of, any present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, charges, fees, commissions, deductions or withholdings of any nature whatsoever.
8. The Bank agrees that Seller at its option shall be entitled to enforce this Guarantee against the Bank, as a principal debtor in the first instance without proceeding at the first instance against the Purchaser.
9. The Bank further agrees that the Guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that specified in the Agreement and that it shall continue to be enforceable till all the obligations of the Purchaser under or by virtue of the said Agreement with respect to the Performance Security have been fully paid and its claims satisfied or discharged or till the Seller certifies that the terms and conditions of the Agreement with respect to the Performance Security have been fully and properly carried out by the Purchaser and accordingly discharges this Guarantee. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, unless a demand or claim under this Guarantee is made on the Bank in writing on or before the (dd/mm/yyyy) Expiry Date the Bank shall be discharged from all liability under this Guarantee thereafter.
10. The payment so made by the Bank under this Guarantee shall be a valid discharge of Bank's liability for payment thereunder and the Seller shall have no claim against the Bank for making such payment.
11. This Guarantee is subject to the laws of India. Any suit, action, or other proceedings arising out of this Guarantee or the subject matter hereof shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of courts at Sambalpur, Odisha, India.
12. The Bank has, under its constitution, the power to issue this Guarantee in favour of the Seller and Shri _____ who has signed this Guarantee on behalf of the Bank has the authority to do so. This Guarantee will not be discharged due to the change in the constitution of the Bank.
13. The Bank undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the Seller in writing.
14. The Seller may, with prior intimation to the Bank, assign the right under this Guarantee to any other person or entity. Save as provided in this Clause 14, this Guarantee shall not be assignable or transferable.

15. Notwithstanding anything contained herein,

1. a) the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee shall not exceed the Guarantee Amount (Rs. -----) ; and
2. b) this Guarantee shall be valid up to the (dd/mm/yyyy)Expiry Date with claim period upto (dd/mm/yyyy).

16. The Bank is liable to pay the Guaranteed Amount or any part thereof under this Guarantee only and only if the Seller serves upon the Bank a written claim or demand on or before the Expiry Date.

17. The Guarantee shall be operative at Sambalpur branch, Odisha, India.

Dated the [day] day of [month] [year] for the Bank.

In witness whereof the Bank, through its authorized officer, has set its hand and stamp.

_____ (Signature)

_____ (Name and Designation)

(Bank Stamp)