9.7.05 The company reserve the right to recover/enforce recovery of any overpayments detected after the payment as a result of post payment audit or technical examination or by any other means, notwithstanding the fact that the amount of disputed claims, if any, of the contractor exceeds the amount of such overpayment and irrespective of the facts whether such disputed claims of the contractor are the subject matter of arbitration or not.

The amount of such overpayments shall be recovered from subsequent bills under the contract, failing that from contractor's claim under any other contract with the company or form the contractor's security deposit or the contractor shall pay the amount of over payment on demand. In case of contractor's non-payment on such demand, the same should be realised from the contractor's dues, if any, with Coal India Limited or any of its subsidiaries.

9.7.06 The contractors are required to execute all works satisfactorily and according to the specifications laid down in the contract/ work order. If certain items of work, executed by the contractor, are below specifications, the contractor should re-do them according to the specifications and instructions of EIC and if the contractor fails to rectify the defect within the time and in the manner specified by the EIC, the work shall be got re-done or rectified by the department at the risk and cost of the contractor. Engineer-in-Charge may accept such work of below specifications provided the department is satisfied with the quality of such works and the strength/ structural safety of such works. In that case Engineer-in-Charge shall make such deductions for the difference in value, as in his opinion is reasonable and is approved by the accepting authority of the company i.e. GM/HoD (E&M) of the company in this case or any other officer nominated by GM/HoD (E&M) for the purpose.

9.7.07 Payment Stage: The payment stage involved will be as under,

- i. Signature of Subordinate Engineer(E&M)/ EA(E&M)/ Sr. Overseer(E&M) / Overseer(E&M) in MB's both in pages recording measurements, abstract of bill & the duly filled in bill form.
- ii. Signature of Sr. Officer (E&M)/ Asst. Manager (E&M) with appropriate check measurements in the MB's and the bill form.
- iii. Signature of Dy. Manager (E&M)/ Manager (E&M) with appropriate check measurements in MB's and the bill form.
- iv. Signature of Engineer-in-Charge as per definition as at clause 1(vii) of the General Terms and Conditions, as a token of acceptance for payment of the bill. The EIC may sign in the abstract of the bill in the MB & the bill form. In between stage iii) and iv) accountal checking may be made by the concerned Accounts Officer/ Accountant.

(In case of non-availability of officials as at (i) above, company may authorize suitable executives for the works outlined at (i). Further for check measurement also company may authorize Executives based on availability.

9.7.08 Secured Advance: Secured advance can be paid for items of materials required for execution of the work and covered under categories A & B and supplied by the contractor at work site, supported by necessary vouchers, challans, test certificates etc. after execution of indemnity bond as per prescribed Form of the company on non-judicial stamp paper of prescribed value.

This advance shall be recovered in four equal installments or as per consumption whichever is higher. Engineer-in-Charge shall recover at his discretion all or any part of secured advance paid, if in his opinion the work is not progressing satisfactorily or the security of these materials at site is not adequately taken care of by the contractor. Secured advance shall be payable for contracts of value above Rs.50.00 lakhs only.

Secured advance for structural steel sections, reinforcement steel and cement, collected at site, will be paid up to 75% of the corresponding stock yard prices of SAIL for the corresponding steel items and Govt. approved/ D.G.S.D. prices for cement, if the same exist.

In case of non-availability of Govt. approved prices of cement & steel and for the materials falling under Category - A and B the secured advance will be paid at the basic rate available in the approved schedule of rates of the company plus or minus the overall percentage on which the work was awarded, provided such rate is not more than 60% of the quoted rate of the contractor for the actual work.

At any point of time the outstanding recoverable secured advance shall not be more than 10% of the contract value.

Items against which secured advance can be granted:

Category-A

Civil:

- 1. Bricks.
- 2. Stone and brick aggregate.
- 3. Stones.
- 4. Finished products of brass, iron and steel such as doors & windows frames, wire mesh, gate, GI Sheets.
- 5. Pre-cast R.C.C. products such as pipes, jali, water storage tanks etc.
- 6. Doors & Window fittings.
- 7. Pipes and sanitary fittings of CI, SCI & HCI

Electrical:

- 1. Steel conduits
- 2. G.I. Pipes
- 3. I.C. Boards
- 4. Switchgears (Air circuit breakers and Air break switches)
- 5. C.I. Boxes.
- 6. A.C.S.R. Conductors
- 7. A.C. Plant & Machinery
- 8. Pumps
- 9. Generating sets (without oil)

Items against which secured advance can be granted:

Category- B

Civil:

- 1. Glazed tiles, terrazzo tiles and similar articles.
- 2. Marble slabs.
- 3. Asbestos cements products.
- 4. Finished timber products such as doors, windows, flush doors, particle boards (subject to mandatory test being satisfactory) etc.
- 5. Bitumen in sealed drums.
- 6. Bitumen felt.

- 7. Polythene pipes and fittings and tanks.
- 8. Sanitary fittings and pipes of S.W., porcelain and chinaware materials
- 9. Laminated / Safety, one way vision, and bullet proof glasses.
- 10. Chemical required for anti-termite treatment (in sealed drums).
- 11. Paints, varnishes, distempers, pigment, spirits etc.

Electrical:

- 1. Transformers
- 2. Oil-filled switch gears.
- 3. L.T. &H.T. Cables
- 4. Fans
- 5. Storage and Dry Batteries
- 6. Insulation tapes.
- 7. Epoxy cable compounds.
- 8. Electric light fittings.
- 9. Wooden battens, casing & capping and wooden boards.
- 10.Flexible wires.
- 11.PVC materials.
- 12.0il and lubricants.
- 13. Rubber materials.
- 14. Glass wool, thermocole & other insulating materials.
- 15. Porcelain H.T. and L.T. insulators.

In addition to indemnity bond, for materials listed under Category-B, the contractor shall be required to provide necessary insurance cover of equivalent value of materials.

Items against which no secured advance shall be granted:

Civil:

- 1. Glass products other than those indicated in Category-B.
- 2. Sand and moorum
- 3. Chemical compounds other than those indicated in Category-B.

Electrical:

- 1. Glass gloves and shades
- 2. Bulbs and tubes
- 3. Petrol and diesel
- 4. Freon and other refrigeration gases.
- **9.8** Income tax deduction @ 2% (Two percent) of the gross value (excluding GST) of each bill or at the rate as amended from time to time, shall be made unless exempted by the competent authority of the Income Tax Department. Further, TDS under GST will be deducted at applicable rates as per the provisions of GST Act wherever applicable.

Building and Construction Workers Cess (as applicable in States) shall be payable by the contractor. If, however, the company is asked to make deduction from the contractor's bills, the same shall be done and a certificate to this effect shall be issued to the contractor for dealing with the State Govt. and the company does not take any responsibility to do anything further in this regard.

9.9 No interest shall be payable on the amounts withheld, under the terms of the Contract Agreement/Work- order.

10 Termination, Cancellation, Suspension and Foreclosure of Contract

The company shall, in addition to other remedial steps to be taken as provided in the conditions of contract be entitled to cancel the contract in full or in part, and whether the date of completion has or has not elapsed, by notice in writing if the contractor:-

a) makes default in proceeding with the works with due diligence and continues to do so even after a notice in writing from the Engineer-in-Charge, then on the expiry of the period as specified in the notice

Or

b) commits default/breach in complying with any of the terms and conditions of the contract and does not remedy it or fails to take effective steps for the remedy to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge, then on the expiry of the period as may be specified by the Engineer-in-Charge in a notice in writing.

Or

c) obtains a contract with the company as a result of ring tendering or other non-bonafide methods of competitive tendering

Or

d) shall offer or give or agree to give any person in the service of the company or to any other person on his behalf any gift or consideration of any kind as an inducement or reward for act/acts of favour in relation to the obtaining or execution of this or any other contract for his company.

Or

- e) fails to complete the work or items of work with individual dates of completion, on or before the date/dates of completion or as extended by the company, then on the expiry of the period as may be specified by the Engineer-in-Charge in a notice in writing.
- f) transfers, sublets, assigns the entire work or any portion thereof without the prior approval in writing from the Engineer-in-Charge. The Engineer-in-Charge may by giving a written notice, cancel the whole contract or portion of it in default.
- **10.1** The contract shall also stand terminated under any of the following circumstances:
- a) If the contractor being an individual in the case of proprietary concern or in the case of a partnership firm any of its partners is declared insolvent under the provisions of Insolvency Act for the time being in force, or makes any conveyance or assignment of his effects or composition or arrangement for the benefit of his creditors amounting to proceedings for liquidation or composition under any Insolvency Act.
- b) In the case of the contractor being a company, its affairs are under liquidation either by a resolution passed by the contractors company or by an order of court, not being a voluntary liquidation proceedings for the purpose of amalgamation or reorganization, or a receiver or manager is appointed by the court on the application by the debenture holders of the contractor's company, if any.
- c) If the contractor shall suffer an execution being levied on his/their goods, estates and allow it to be continued for a period of 21 (twenty-one) days.
- d) On the death of the contractor being a proprietary concern or of any of the partners in the case of a partnership concern and the company is not satisfied that the legal representative

of the deceased proprietor or the other surviving partners of the partnership concern are capable of carrying out and completing the contract. The decision of the company in this respect shall be final and binding which is to be intimated in writing to the legal representative or to the partnership concern.

- **10.2** On cancellation of the contract or on termination of the contract, the Engineer-incharge shall have powers:
- a. To take possession of the site, any materials, constructional plant, equipment, stores etc. thereon and carry out balance work through any means or through any other agency.
- b. To give the contractor or his representative of the work 7 (seven) days notice in writing for taking final measurement for the works executed till the date of cancellation or termination of the contract. The Engineer-in-Charge shall fix the time for taking such final measurement and intimate the contractor in writing. The final measurement shall be carried out at the said appointed time notwithstanding whether the contractor is present or not. Any claim as regards measurement which the contractor is to make shall be made in writing within 7 (seven) days of taking final measurement by Engineer-In-charge as aforesaid and if no such claim is received, the contractor shall be deemed to have waived all claims regarding above measurements and any claim made thereafter shall not be entertained.
- c. After giving notice to the contractor to measure up the work of the contractor and to take such whole or the balance or part thereof, as shall be unexecuted out of his hands and to give it to another contractor or take up departmentally, to complete the work. The contractor whose contract is terminated shall not be allowed to participate in future bidding for period of minimum twelve months.

In such an event, the contractor shall be liable for loss/damage suffered by the employer because of action under this clause and to compensate for this loss or damage, the employer shall be entitled to recover higher of the following:

- i) Forfeiture of security deposit comprising of performance guarantee and retention money at the disposal of the employer.
- ii) 20% of value of incomplete work. The value of the incomplete work shall be calculated for the items and quantities remaining incomplete (as per provision of agreement) at the agreement rates including price variation as applicable on the date, when notice in writing for termination of work was issued to the contractor.

The amount to be recovered from the contractor as determined above, shall, without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the employer as per law or as per agreement, will be recovered from any money due to the contractor on any account or under any other contract and in the event of any shortfall, the contractor shall be liable to pay the same within 30 days. In case of failure to pay the same the amount shall be debt payable.

In the event of above course being adopted by the Engineer-in-charge, the contractor shall have no claim to compensation for any loss sustained by him by reasons of his having purchased materials, equipment or entered into agreement or made advances on any account or with a view to the execution of work or performance of the contract. And in case action is taken under any of provision aforesaid, the contractor shall not be entitled to recover or to be paid any sum for any work thereof or actually performed under this contract unless and until the engineer-in-charge has certified in writing the performance of such work

and value payable in respect thereof and he shall only be entitled to be paid the value so certified.

The need for determination of the amount of recovery of any extra cost/expenditure or of any loss/damage suffered by the company shall not however arise in the case of termination of the contract for death/demise of the contractor as stated in 10.1(d).

10.3 Suspension of Work:

Suspension of work – The Company shall have power to suspend the work. The contractor shall on receipt of the order in writing of Engineer-in -charge (whose decision shall be final and binding on the contractor), suspend the progress of work or any part thereof for such time in such manner as the Engineer-in-Charge may consider necessary so as not to cause any damage, or endanger the safety thereof for any of the following reasons:

- a) on account of any default on the part of the contractor, or
- b) for proper execution of the works, or part thereof, for reasons other than the default of the contractor or,
- c) for safety of the works, or part thereof.

The contractor shall, during such suspension properly protect and ensure the works to the extent necessary and carry out the instruction of the Engineer-in-charge. If the suspension is ordered for reasons (b) & (c), the contractor shall be entitled to an extension of time equal to the period of every such suspension plus 25%. This shall also be applicable for completion of the item or group of items of the work for which a separate period of completion as specified in the contract and of which the suspended work forms a part.

The contractor shall carry out the instructions given in this respect by the Engineer-In Charge & if such suspension exceeds 45 (forty five) days, the contractor will be compensated on mutually agreed terms.

10.4 Foreclosure of contract:

If at any time after acceptance of the tender the company decides to abandon or reduce the scope of work for any reason whatsoever the company, through its Engineer-in-Charge, shall give notice in writing to that effect to the contractor and contractor shall act accordingly in the matter. In the event of abandonment, the contractor shall have no claim to any payment of compensation or otherwise whatsoever, other than those mentioned below:-

- a) to pay reasonable amount assessed and certified by the Engineer-in-Charge of the expenditure incurred, if any, by the contractor on preliminary works at site e.g. temporary access roads, temporary construction for labour and staff quarters, office accommodation, storage of materials, water storage tanks and water supply for the work including supply to labour/ staff quarters, office etc.
- b) to pay the contractor at the contract rates full amount for works executed and measured at site up to the date of such abandonment.
- c) to pay for the materials brought to site or to be delivered at site, which the contractor is legally liable to pay, for the purpose of consumption in works carried out or were to be carried out but for the foreclosure, including the cost of purchase and transportation and cost of delivery of such materials. The materials to be taken over by the company should be in good condition and the company may allow at its discretion the contractor to retain the

materials in full or in part if so desired by him and to be transported by the contractor from site to his place at his own cost with due permission of the EIC.

- d) to take back the materials issued by the company but remaining unused, if any, in the work on the date of abandonment/reduction in the work, at the original issue price less allowance for any deterioration or damage caused while in custody of the contractor.
- e) to pay for the transportation of tools and plants of the contractor from site to contractor's place or to any other destination, whichever is less.
- **10.4.01** The contractor shall, if required by the Engineer-in-Charge, furnish to him books of accounts, papers, relevant documents as may be necessary to enable the Engineer-in-Charge to assess the amounts payable in terms of clauses10.4(a) (c) & (e) of the contract. The contractor shall not have any claim for compensation for abandonment of the work, other than those as specified above.

11. Carrying out Part Work at Risk & Cost of Contractor.

If the progress of the work or of any portion of the work is unsatisfactory, the Engineer-in-Charge, after giving the contractor 15 days' notice in writing, without cancelling or terminating the contract, shall be entitled to employ another Agency for executing the job or to carry out the work departmentally or contractually through tendering / limited tendering process, either wholly or partly, debiting the contractor with cost involved in engaging another Agency or with the cost of labour and the prices of materials, as the case may be. The certificate to be issued by the Engineer-in-Charge for the cost of the work so done shall be final and conclusive and the extra cost, if any, shall be borne by the contractor. However, when this clause is invoked, penalty will not be applicable other than on account of delayed completion.

The value of the work taken away shall be calculated for the items and quantities taken away at the agreement rates including price variation as applicable on the date, when notice in writing for taking away part work was issued to the contractor. The contractor, from whom part work is being taken out, shall not be allowed to participate in the tendering process if any.

If the expenses incurred by the department is less than the amount payable to the contractor at his agreement rates, the difference shall not be payable to the contractor.

In the event of above course being adopted by the Engineer-in-Charge, the contractor shall have no claim to compensation for any loss sustained by him by reasons of his having purchased or procured any materials or entered into any engagements or made any advance on any account or with a view to the execution of the work or the performance of the contract.

12. Completion Certificate / Defect Liability Certificate

Except in cases where the contract provides for "Performance Test" before issue of Defect Liability certificate, in which case the issue of Defect Liability certificate shall be in accordance with the procedure specified therein, the contractor shall give notice of completion of work, as soon as the work is completed, to the Engineer-in-Charge. The Engineer-in-Charge and or any other Officer, nominated for the purpose by the company, shall within 30 (thirty) days from the receipt thereof, inspect the work and ascertain the defects/deficiencies, if any, to be rectified by the contractor as also the items, if any, for which payment shall be made at reduced rate.

If the defects, according to the Engineer-in-Charge are of a major nature and the rectification of which is necessary for the satisfactory performance of the contract, he shall intimate in writing the defects and instruct the contractor to rectify the defects/remove deficiencies within the period and in the manner to be specified therein. In such cases Defect Liability Certificate will be issued by the EIC after the above rectifications are carried out/deficiencies are removed by the contractor to the satisfaction of EIC.

In the event there are no defects or the defects/ deficiencies are of a minor nature and the Engineer-in-Charge is satisfied that the contractor has already made arrangements for rectification, or in the event of contractor's failure to rectify the defects for any reason whatsoever, the defects can be rectified by the company departmentally or by other means and the 50% of the security deposit of the contractor shall be sufficient to cover the cost thereof, he shall issue the Defect Liability Certificate (Taking Over Certificate with list of defects) indicating the date of completion of the work, defects to be rectified, if any, and the items, if any, for which payment shall be made at reduced rate indicating reasons there for and with necessary instructions to the contractor to clear the site/place of work or all debris/ waste materials, scaffoldings, sheds, surplus materials etc. making it clean.

12.1 In cases where separate period of completion for certain items or groups of items are specified in the contract, separate Defect Liability certificate for such items or groups of items may be issued by the Engineer-in-Charge after completion of such items on receipt of notice from the contractor only in the event the work is completed satisfactorily in every respect.

Refund of security deposit and payment of final bill shall, however, be made on completion of the entire contract work, but not on completion of such items of work.

- **12.2** Before the date fixed for completion of work, the work as well as the site of work are to be made clean after removal of rubbish, scaffolding, surplus materials, temporary structures etc.
- **12.3** In case of contractor's failure to clear the site, the EIC shall have right to get the work done. The cost thereof shall be recovered from the final bill of the contractor.

13. Additional Responsibilities of the Contractor(s)

The cost on account of the "Additional Responsibilities of the Contractors" under this clause is deemed to be included in the tendered rates.

- i) The company reserves the rights to let other contractors also work in connection with the Project and the contractor/contractors shall co-operate in the works for the introduction and stores and materials and execution of his/their works.
- ii) The contractor/contractors shall keep on the work site during the progress a competent and experienced Resident Engineer exclusively for the work and necessary assistants who shall represent the contractor(s). The contractor shall employ, on the site in connection with the execution and maintenance of the work, technical and managerial staff as mentioned below.

SI. No.	Value of Work	Manpower Requirement
1.	More than 10 Crores	One Resident Engineer (Degree Holder), One Engineer (Degree Holder), Two Engineers (Diploma Holder)

2.	5 Crores to 10 Crores	One Resident Engineer (Degree Holder), Two Engineers (Diploma Holder)
3.	2 Crores to 5 Crores	One Resident Engineer (Diploma Holder), One Engineer (Diploma Holder)
4.	50 lakhs to 2 crores	One Resident Engineer (Graduate/Diploma Holder)

For works below Rs. 50 lakhs, the deployment of manpower shall be as assessed by Engineer.

The contractor shall intimate the Engineer-in-Charge in writing the names, qualifications, experience and full postal address of each and every technical personnel employed at site by him.

The contractor(s) shall not be allowed to execute the work unless he/they engage the required technical staff as assessed by Engineer-in-charge or as specifically mentioned in the bid. The delay on this account, if any, shall be the contractor's responsibility.

Important instructions shall be confirmed to the contractor(s) in writing. If the contractor/contractors in course of the works finds/find any discrepancy between the drawing, forming part of the contract documents and the physical conditions of the locality or any errors or omissions in drawings except those prepared by himself / themselves and not approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. It shall be his/their duty to immediately inform the Engineer-in-Charge in writing and the Engineer-in-Charge shall verify the same. Any work done after such discovery and without intimation as indicated above will be done at the risk of the contractor/contractors.

iii) The contractor / contractors shall employ only competent, skillful and orderly men to do the work. The Engineer-in-Charge shall have the right to ask the contractor/ contractors to remove from the work site any men of the contractor/contractors who in his opinion is undesirable and the contractor/contractors will have to remove him within 3 (three) hours of such orders.

The contractor shall employ apprentices in the execution of the contract work as required under Apprentices Act.

The contractor shall further be responsible for making arrangements at his own cost, or accommodation and social needs of the staff and workers under his employment.

iv) Precautions shall be exercised at all times by the contractor(s) for the protection of persons (including employees) and property. The safety required or recommended by all applicable laws, codes, statutes and regulations shall be observed by the contractor(s). In case of accidents, the contractor(s) shall be responsible for compliance with all the requirements imposed by the Workmen's Compensation Act or any other similar laws in force and the contractor shall indemnify the company against any claim on this account.

All scaffoldings, ladders and such other structures which the workmen are likely to use shall be examined by the Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representative whenever they want and the structure must be strong, durable, and safe and of such design as required by Engineer-in-Charge.

In no case any structure condemned by the Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representatives shall be kept on the work and such structure must be pulled down within three hours of such condemnation and any certificate or instructions, however, shall in no

way absolve the contractor/contractors from his/their responsibility, as an employer, as the company shall in no way be responsible for any claim.

The contractor / contractors shall at all times exercises reasonable precautions for the safety of employees in the performance of his/their contract and shall comply with all applicable provisions of the safety laws drawn up by the State Govt. or Central Govt. or Municipalities and other authorities in India. The contractor/contractors shall comply with the provision of the safety hand book as approved and amended from time to time by the Government of India.

- v) The contractor / contractors shall familiarize themselves with and be governed by all laws and rules of India and Local statutes and orders and regulations applicable to his/ their work.
- vi) The contractor shall maintain all records as per the provision made in the various statutes including Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 and the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Central Rules,1971, Minimum Wages Act, Workmen Compensation Act etc. and latest amendment thereof. Such records maintained by the contractor shall be opened for inspection by the Engineer-in-Charge or by the nominated representative of the Principal Employer.
- vii) The contractor/ contractors shall provide facilities for the sanitary necessities of all persons employed on the work shall be constructed and maintained in the number, manner and place approved or ordered by the Engineer-in-Charge. The contractor/ contractors shall vigorously prohibit committing of nuisance at any other place. Cost of all works under this item shall be covered by the contractor/contractor's tendered rates.
- viii) The contractor/contractors shall furnish to the Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representative with work reports from time to time regarding the contractor / contractors organization and the progress made by him / them in the execution of the work as per the contract.
- ix) All duties, taxes (excluding Goods and Services Tax and GST Compensation Cess (If applicable) only) and other levies, royalty, building and construction workers cess (as applicable in States), whether local, municipal, provincial or central pertaining to the contract payable by the bidder/Contractor under the Contract (during the entire period of contract), or for any other cause as applicable on the last date of submission of Bid, shall be included in the rates, prices and the total Bid Price submitted by the Bidder. Applicable GST either payable by bidder or by company under reverse change mechanism shall be computed by system in BOQ sheet as per predefined logic.

All investments, operating expenses, incidentals, overheads, lifts, carriages, tools and plants etc. as may be attendant upon execution and completion of works shall also be included in the rates, prices and total Bid price submitted by the bidder.

However, such duties, taxes, levies etc. which is notified after the last date of submission of Bid and/or any increase over the rate existing on the last date of submission of Bid shall be reimbursed by the company on production of documentary evidence in support of payment actually made to the concerned authorities.

Similarly if there is any decrease in such duties, taxes and levies the same shall become recoverable from the contractor. The details of such duties, taxes and other levies along with rates shall be declared by the bidder.