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Abstract

Bhoothathankettu SHE Project (24 MW/83.5Mu) – Contract with M/s Sree Saravana Engineering Bhavani Pvt Ltd – RPP Infra Projects Ltd Joint Venture- Extension of time of completion for civil works -Sanctioned - Orders issued.

Corporate Office(SBU-G/C)

B.O (FTD)No. 522 /2020/(DGC/AEE-III/BKSHEP/2014) TVPM Dated 17.08.2020

Read: 1. Agreement No. 02/CECC/2013-14 dated 07.03.2014.

- 2. B.O.(FTD) No.237/2020(No.DGC/AEE-III/BKSHEP/2014 Tvpm dated 26.03.2020.
- Letter No.SSEB/KSEB/BSHEP-Civil/D.No.032/2020-2021 dated 12.06.2020 and letter No. SSEB/KSEB/BSHEP-Civil/D.No.068/2020-2021 dated 27.07.2020 of M/s Sree Saravana Engineering Bhavani Pvt Ltd - RPP Infra Projects Ltd Joint Venture.
- 4. Note No.CECCS/BSHEP/1/2013/787 dated 30.07.2020 of the Chief Engineer(Civil-Construction) South.
- 5. Note No.DGC/AEE-III/BKSHEP/2014 dtd 10.08.2020 of the Director (Gen Civil) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda item No.32 /08/2020)

<u>ORDER</u>

The Civil works for the implementation of the Bhoothathankettu SHEP was awarded to M/s Sree Saravana Engineering Bhavani Pvt Ltd - RPP Infra Projects Ltd Joint Venture, Tamil Nadu. The work was commenced on 15.02.2014 and the date of completion was on 14.02.2016.

The extent of forest land required for the implementation of the project was 1.96 Ha and this land was handed over to the Contractor only after an elapse of 23 months. KSEBL had extended the time of completion of the project up to 17.01.2018 considering the delay in handing over of the forest land.

Here after, the time of completion had to be extended at several instances on various grounds subject to specific conditions, the latest such extension was up to 31.05.2020.

The Contractor M/s Sree Saravana Engineering Bhavani Pvt. Ltd, however requested for further extension of contract period without levy of LD and penalty etc up to 30.09.2020 for completing all activities and finishing works, as per letter read as 3rd above.

The Chief Engineer(C) Construction-South, as per note read as 4th above, reported that, the critical works as planned earlier got delayed due to lock down imposed by the State and Central Governments from 24.03.2020 to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic. It is also reported that the critical activities in Unit#1 and 2 as per the revised Micro Schedule given by the Contractor shall be completed by 15.08.2020 and in Unit#3 by 31.08.2020. Also, the balance

civil works except third stage concreting and grouting shall be completed by 30.09.2020. Further, the "Force Majeure" clause can be invoked for the delay due to COVID-19 pandemic outbreak.

It is further reported that, duly considering the current scenario of COVID-19 pandemic and the fact that major reasons for the delay were beyond the control of the contractor (force majeure), the Project Monitoring Committee meeting could not be convened and the decision regarding the extension of time of completion shall be taken without the Project Monitoring Committee recommendation. As such, the Chief Engineer recommended that the contract period for civil works can be extended up to 30.09.2020 except the third stage concreting and grouting subject to following conditions:

- 1. The Contractor shall complete all critical activities in Unit#1 and 2 on 15.08.2020 and in Unit#3 on 31.08.2020 to provide a dust free atmosphere for the commencement of erection work of E&M equipments in unit #1 on 01.09.2020
- 2. Other civil works except third stage concreting and grouting to be completed by 30.09.2020.

The proposal was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 5th above. Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on, 12 .08.2020, resolved to accord sanction for the extension of contract period of civil works of Bhoothathankettu SHEP up to 30.09.2020 with applicable LD which can be assessed and collected after completion of the work by M/S Saravana Engineering Bhavani Pvt. Ltd. –RPP Infra Projects Joint Venture,Tamil Nadu subject to the following conditions since the work is nearing completion and also considering the outbreak of COVID-19.

- 1. The contractor shall complete all critical activities in Unit # 1 and 2 on 15.08.2020 and in Unit # 3 on 31.08.2020 to provide a dust free atmosphere for the commencement of erection work of E&M equipments in unit # 1 on 01.09.2020.
- 2. Completion of other civil works except third stage concreting and grouting by 30.09.2020.

The Chief Engineer (Civil Construction- South) shall take further necessary action in this regard.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By order of the Full Time Directors

Sd/-LEKHA.G Company Secretary (in charge)

To:

The Chief Engineer (Civil Construction- South).

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Assistant Executive Engineer