

five (5) percent of the Contract Sum. The amount deducted shall be retained by the Government up to twelve (12) months after the expiry of the Defect Liability Period or the issuance of the Certificate of Completion of Making Good Defects, whichever is the later.

- 13.3 Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract, the Government shall be entitled at any time to call upon the Performance Bond, wholly or partially, in the event that the Contractor fails to perform or fulfil its obligations under this Contract and such failure is not remedied in accordance with this Contract.
- 13.4 If a payment is made to the Government pursuant to any claim under the Performance Bond, the Contractor shall issue to the Government further security in the form of additional performance bond or bonds for an amount not less than the amount so paid to the Government on or prior to the date of such payment so that the total sum of the Performance Bond shall be maintained at all times at the value specified in clause 13.1(a).
- 13.5 The Performance Bond (or any balance thereof remaining for the credit of the Contractor) may be released or refunded to the Contractor on the completion of making good of all defects, shrinkages or other faults which may appear during the Defects Liability Period and upon the giving of the Certificate of Completion of Making Good Defects for the whole of the Works under clause 48.
- 13.6 Notwithstanding the above, in the event that this Contract is terminated under clause 51 hereof the said Performance Bond or any balance thereof shall be forfeited.

#### **14.0 INDEMNITY IN RESPECT OF PERSONAL INJURIES AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY**

14.1 The Contractor agrees with the Government that–

- (a) it shall perform all of its obligations under this Contract at its own risk and releases, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Government and their agents and servants from all claims and demands of every kind resulting from any accident, damage, injury or death arising from the carrying out of the Works except where such accident, damage, injury or death is caused or contributed to by any act or omission or negligence of the Government or its agents and servants. The Contractor expressly agrees that in the absence of any such act, omission or negligence as aforesaid the Government shall have no responsibility or liability whatsoever in relation to such accident, damage, injury or death;
- (b) it shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Government from and against all actions, suits, claims or demands, proceedings, losses, damages, compensation, costs (including legal cost), charges and expenses whatsoever to which the Government shall or may be or become liable in respect of or arising from–
- (i) the negligent use, misuse or abuse by the Contractor or its personnel, servants, agents or employees appointed by the Contractor;
  - (ii) any loss or damage to property or injury of whatsoever nature or kind and howsoever or wherever sustained or caused or contributed to by carrying out of the Works by the Contractor to any person and not caused by the negligence or wilful act, default or omission of the Government, its agents or servants; or
  - (iii) any loss, damage or injury from any cause whatsoever to property or persons affected by the Works to the extent to which the same is occasioned or contributed to by the act, omission, neglect, breach or default of the Contractor or personnel, servants, agents or employees; and
- (c) the obligations under this clause shall continue after the expiry or earlier termination of this Contract in respect of any act, deed, matter or thing happening before such expiration or termination of this Contract.