

SCHEDULE IV
[Refer rules 5(10)(c) and 7(10)(b) and 8(3)(a)]

FORMAT OF BANK GUARANTEE FOR PERFORMANCE SECURITY

[Reference number of the bank]

[Date]

To

The Governor of [Name of State]
[address]

WHEREAS

- A. [Name] incorporated in India under the Companies Act, [1956/2013] with corporate identity number [CIN of the Applicant], 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] (the “Applicant”) 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”).
Mentioned only for companies, the format to include individuals/ other applicants also.
- B. The Performance Security is required to be provided to The Governor of [Name of State], (the “State”) for discharge of certain obligations under the [reference to the principal documents – prospecting licence/mining lease, mine development and production agreement] dated, [date] with respect to [particulars of concession] (collectively the “Concession Document”).
- C. We, [name of the bank] (the “Bank”) at the request of the Applicant do hereby undertake to pay to the State an amount not exceeding INR [figures] (Indian Rupees [words]) (“Guarantee Amount”) to secure the obligations of the Applicant under the Concession Document on demand from the State on the terms and conditions herein contained herein.

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

1. The Bank for the purpose hereof unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to pay to the State without any demur, reservation, caveat, protest or recourse, immediately on receipt of first written demand from the State, a sum or sums (by way of one or more claims) not exceeding the Guarantee Amount in the aggregate without the State 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 State and Applicant on any matter whatsoever. The Bank undertakes to pay to the State any money so demanded notwithstanding any dispute or disputes raised by the Applicant in any suit or proceeding pending before any court or tribunal relating thereto the Bank's liability under this present being absolute and unequivocal.

2. The Bank acknowledges that any such demand by the State of the amounts payable by the Bank to the State shall be final, binding and conclusive evidence in respect of the amounts payable by Applicant to the State under the Concession Document.
3. The Bank hereby waives the necessity for the State from demanding the aforesaid amount or any part thereof from the Applicant and also waives any right that the Bank may have of first requiring the State to pursue its legal remedies against the Applicant, before presenting any written demand to the Bank for payment under this Guarantee.
4. The Bank further unconditionally agrees with the State that the State 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 Concession Document;
 - (ii) extend and / or postpone the time for performance of the obligations of the Applicant under the Concession Document; or
 - (iii) forbear or enforce any of the rights exercisable by the State against the Applicant under the terms and conditions of the Concession Document,and the Bank shall not be relieved from its liability by reason of any such act or omission on the part of the State or any indulgence by the State to the Applicant 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.
5. 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.
6. The Bank agrees that State 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 Applicant.
7. The Bank further agree that the guarantee herein contained shall remain in full force and effect during the period that specified in the Concession Document and that it shall continue to be enforceable till all the

obligations of the Applicant under or by virtue of the said Concession Document with respect to the Performance Security have been fully paid and its claims satisfied or discharged or till the State certifies that the terms and conditions of the Concession Document with respect to the Performance Security have been fully and properly carried out by the Applicant 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 Expiry Date the Bank shall be discharged from all liability under this guarantee thereafter.

8. The payment so made by the Bank under this Guarantee shall be a valid discharge of Bank's liability for payment thereunder and the State shall have no claim against the Bank for making such payment.
9. 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 the State of [respective State].
10. The Bank has the power to issue this Guarantee in favour of the State. This guarantee will not be discharged due to the change in the constitution of the Bank.
11. The Bank undertakes not to revoke this Guarantee during its currency except with the previous consent of the State in writing.
12. The State may, with prior intimation to the Bank, assign the right under this Guarantee to any other departments, ministries or any governmental agencies, which may act in the name of the Governor. Save as provided in this Clause 12, this Guarantee shall not be assignable or transferable.
13. Notwithstanding anything contained herein,-
 - (a) the liability of the bank under this bank guarantee shall not exceed the Guarantee Amount;
 - (b) this bank guarantee shall be valid up to the Expiry Date.
14. The Bank is liable to pay the guaranteed amount or any part thereof under this bank guarantee only and only if the State serves upon the Bank a written claim or demand on or before the Expiry Date.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Bank, through its authorized officer, has set its hand and stamp.

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(Signature)

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(Name and Designation)
(Bank Stamp)