



**Offer: Computer Consultancy**

**Ref: TCSL/CT20182490765/Chennai**

**Date: 27/09/2018**

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Dear Chidambaram T,

**Sub: Letter of Offer**

Thank you for exploring career opportunities with TATA Consultancy Services Limited (TCSL). You have successfully completed our initial selection process and we are pleased to make you an offer.

This offer is based on your profile and performance in the selection process. You have been selected for the position of **Assistant System Engineer-Trainee** in Grade Y. You will be a part of the application development and maintenance projects across any of the business units of TCSL.

Your gross salary including all benefits will be **₹3,36,875/-** per annum, as per the terms and conditions set out herein. Annexure-1 provides the break-up of the compensation package.

Kindly confirm your acceptance of this offer online through the option 'Accept Offer letter'. If not accepted within 48 hours, it will be construed that you are not interested in this employment and this offer will be automatically withdrawn.

After you accept this offer you will be issued a joining letter indicating the details of your joining date and initial place of posting. You will also be issued a letter of appointment at the time of your joining after completing joining formalities as per company policy. Your offer is subject to a positive background check.

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## **COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

### **BASIC SALARY**

You will be eligible for a basic salary of ₹10,200/- per month.

### **BOUQUET OF BENEFITS (BoB)**

Bouquet of Benefits offers you the flexibility to design this part of your compensation within the defined framework, twice in a financial year. All the components will be disbursed on a monthly basis.

The components under Bouquet of Benefits are listed below. The amounts given here for each of the components below are as per pre-defined structure. However you may want to re-distribute the BoB amount between the components as per your tax plan, once you join TCSL. To design your Bouquet of Benefits, you may access the link to BoB in the "Employee Self Service" link on "Ultimatix", the internal portal of TCSL. Taxation will be governed by the Income Tax rules. TCSL will be deducting tax at source as per income tax guidelines.

#### **1. House Rent Allowance (HRA)**

Your HRA will be ₹4,080/- per month. While restructuring your BoB amount to various components, it is mandatory that at least 5% of monthly basic pay be allocated towards HRA.

#### **2. Leave Travel Allowance**

You will be eligible for annual Leave Travel Allowance which is equivalent to one month's basic salary or a pro-rata amount in case you join during the financial year. This will be disbursed on a monthly basis along with the monthly salary. To avail income tax benefits, you need to apply for a minimum of three days of leave and submit supporting travel documents.

#### **3. Personal Allowance**

You will be eligible for a monthly personal allowance of ₹7,570/- per month. This component is subject to review and may change as per TCSL's compensation policy.

#### **4. Food Card**

You will be eligible for a Food Card. It can be used to purchase food items at all domestic VISA enabled restaurants and fast food restaurants including TCS cafeterias. As per the Pre-Defined structure you will be eligible for a Food Card with an amount of ₹500/- being credited to this card per month. However you may want to re-distribute the BoB amount between the components as per your tax plan, once you join TCSL.



## **PERFORMANCE PAY**

### **Monthly Performance Pay**

You will receive a monthly performance pay of ₹1,700/-. The same will be reviewed on completion of your first Anniversary with the company and will undergo a change basis your own ongoing individual performance.

### **Quarterly Variable Allowance**

Your variable allowance will be ₹600/- per month, and will be paid at the closure of each quarter based on the performance of the company and your unit and to the extent of your allocation to the business unit.

Quarterly Variable Allowance is subject to review on your first anniversary and may undergo a change based on the actual performance of the Company, your business unit and your own ongoing individual performance. The payment is subject to your being active on the company rolls on the date of announcement of Quarterly Variable Allowance.

This Pay/Allowance shall be treated as productivity bonus in lieu of statutory profit bonus.

Performance Pay will be effective upon successful completion of the Initial Learning Programme.

## **CITY ALLOWANCE**

You will be eligible for a City Allowance of ₹200/- per month. This is specific to India and is linked to your base branch. In the event of a change in your base branch this amount may undergo a change. It will stand to be discontinued while on international assignments. This allowance is fully taxable and subject to review.

## **OTHER BENEFITS**

### **Health Insurance Scheme**

TCSL brings the benefit of health insurance cover to you and your dependants under the company's Health Insurance Scheme(HIS).

HIS offers the following benefits:

#### **1. Basic Cover**

- i. Entitlement - Includes domiciliary expenses up to ₹6,000/- per insured person per annum and basic hospitalization expenses up to ₹2,00,000/- per insured person per annum.
- ii. Premium - Basic premium for self, spouse and three children is entirely borne by TCSL,



provided these members are explicitly enrolled by you under the scheme. Additionally, if you wish to cover dependent parents/parents-in-law or remaining children, the applicable premium per insured person is to be borne by you.

## **2. Higher Hospitalisation**

Coverage under Higher Hospitalisation is mandatory. Under this scheme, you and your enrolled dependents will be automatically covered under Higher Hospitalisation benefits.

i. Entitlement - You and your enrolled dependants will be entitled for ₹12, 00,000/- as a family floater coverage towards hospitalisation expenses, over and above the individual basic coverage.

ii. Premium - For Higher Hospitalisation, a part of the premium will be recovered from your salary and the differential premium will be borne by TCSL.

## **Maternity Leave**

Women employees are eligible to avail maternity leave of twenty six weeks. Adopting or commissioning mother, may avail maternity leave for twelve weeks. For more details on the benefits and eligibility, once you join, please refer TCS India Policy - Maternity Leave.

## **Tata Sons and Consultancy Services Employees' Welfare Trust (TWT)**

You will become a member of the TWT, on completion of continuous association of one year from the date of joining TCSL. A nominal annual membership fee of ₹250/- will be recovered from you for the same. The Trust provides financial assistance by way of grants/ loans in accordance with the rules framed by the Trust from time to time for medical and educational purposes and in case of death of members while in service.

## **Loans**

You will be eligible for loans, as per TCSL's loan policy.

## **Professional Memberships**

You will be eligible for reimbursement of expense-s towards professional membership as per TCSL's policy.

## **RETIRALS**

### **Provident Fund**

You will be a member of the Provident Fund as per the provisions of "The Employees Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952", and TCSL will contribute 12% of your basic salary every month as per the provisions of the said Act.

### **Gratuity**

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You will be entitled to gratuity as per the provisions of the Gratuity Act, 1972.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **1. Aggregate Percentage Requirements**

Your appointment will be subject to your scoring minimum aggregate (aggregate of all subjects in all semesters) marks of 60% or above in the first attempt in each of your Standard Xth, Standard XIIth, Diploma (if applicable) and Graduation examination which includes successful completion of your final semester/year without any pending arrears/backlogs. As per the TCSL eligibility criteria, marks/CGPA obtained during the normal duration of the course only will be considered to decide on the eligibility. It is mandatory to pass in all the subjects mentioned in the mark sheet in class Xth and class XIIth by securing minimum passing marks in the first attempt itself as specified by the respective board of examinations.

As communicated to you through various forums during the recruitment process, your appointment is subject to completion of your course within the stipulated time as specified by your University/Institute and as per TCSL selection guidelines.

It is mandatory to declare the gaps/arrears/backlogs, if any, during your academics and work experience. The management reserves the right to withdraw/revoke the offer/appointment at any time at its sole discretion in case any discrepancy or false information is found in the details submitted by you.

### **2. Disclaimer**

Candidates who have applied to TCSL and who have not been successful in clearing the TCSL selection process are not eligible to re-apply to TCSL within six months from the date on which the candidate had attended such selection Test and/or Interview. In case you are found to have re-applied to TCSL within six months of previous unsuccessful attempt, the management reserves the right to revoke/withdraw the offer/appointment, without prejudice to its other rights.

### **3. Training Period**

You will be required to undergo class room and on the job training in the first twelve months (including the Initial Learning Programme as set out herein below), during which period you will be appraised for satisfactory performance during/after which TCSL would normally confirm you.

This confirmation will be communicated to you in writing. If your performance is found unsatisfactory during the training period, the company may afford you opportunities to assist you and enable you to improve your performance. If your performance is still found





unsatisfactory, TCSL may terminate your traineeship forthwith.

However, TCSL may even otherwise at its sole discretion terminate the traineeship any time if your performance is not found satisfactory. The terms and conditions of the training will be governed by TCSL's training policy. TCSL reserves the right to modify or amend the training policy.

If you remain unauthorizedly absent for a consecutive period of 10 days during the training programme, you shall be deemed to have abandoned your traineeship and your name will automatically stand discontinued from the list of ILP trainees without any further intimation/separate communication to you.

#### **4. Working Hours**

Your working hours are governed by applicable law. You may be required to work in shifts and/or over time depending upon the business exigencies as permitted by law.

#### **5. Mobility**

TCSL reserves the right to transfer you at any of its offices, work sites, or associated or affiliated companies in India or outside India, on the terms and conditions as applicable to you at the time of transfer.

#### **6. Compensation Structure / Salary components**

The compensation structure/salary components are subject to change as per TCSL's compensation policy from time to time at its sole discretion.

#### **7. Increments and Promotions**

Your performance and contribution to TCSL will be an important consideration for salary increments and promotions. Salary increments and promotions will be based on TCSL's Compensation and Promotion policy.

#### **8. Alternative Occupation / Employment**

Either during the period of your traineeship or during the period of your employment as a confirmed employee of TCSL, you are not permitted to undertake any other employment, business, assume any public or private office, honorary or remunerative, without the prior written permission of TCSL.

#### **9. Confidentiality Agreement**

As part of your acceptance of this appointment as an employee with TCS you are required to maintain strict confidentiality of the intellectual property rights protected information and other business information of TCS and its clients which may be revealed to you by TCS or which may in the course of your engagement with TCS come your possession or knowledge unless specifically authorized to do so in writing by TCS. This



Confidentiality Clause shall survive the termination or earlier determination of this Appointment. The detailed Confidentiality related terms and conditions are set out in Annexure 3.

#### **10. Service Agreement**

As TCSL will be incurring considerable expenditure on your training, you will be required to execute an agreement, to serve TCSL for a minimum period of 1 year after joining, failing which, you (and your surety) will be liable to pay TCSL ₹50,000/-towards the training expenditure. Service agreement duration of one year refers to continuous service of 12 months from date of joining TCSL and excludes the duration of Leave without pay (LWP) and/or unauthorized absence, if any.

#### **11. Overseas International Assignment Agreement**

If you are on international assignment, you will be covered by the TCS India Policy-International Assignments (from India to other Countries) from the date of placement for an international assignment. Accordingly, you will be required to sign the Overseas International Assignment Agreement/s and any other applicable related documents pertaining to the international assignment for which you are being placed. In case of every international assignment that exceeds 30 days, you will be required to serve TCSL as per the Notice Period clause mentioned below.

This is to ensure that the knowledge and information gained by you during your assignment is shared and available to TCSL and its associates. This transfer of knowledge and information is essential for TCSL to continue to serve its clients and customers better. If you are deputed internationally for training, you will be required to sign an agreement to serve TCSL for a minimum period of 6 months on completion of training.

#### **12. Terms and Conditions**

The above terms and conditions are specific to India and there can be changes to the said terms and conditions in case of deputation on international assignments.

#### **13. TATA Code of Conduct**

You are required to sign the TATA Code of Conduct and follow the same in your day-to-day conduct as an associate of TCSL.

#### **14. Notice Period**

In an event if the traineeship is discontinued/terminated no notice or payment in lieu thereof shall be payable by TCSL. Upon Confirmation, during your tenure with TCSL, either you or TCSL can terminate the appointment by giving 90 calendar days' written notice or three months' basic salary in lieu of the notice. If your services, behavior and/ or performance are not found satisfactory, TCSL may terminate your services by giving



notice as mentioned herein above.

You will be liable to pay TCSL ₹50,000/- in case you fail to serve TCSL for a minimum period of 1 year after joining in accordance with the Service Agreement clause.

If you are covered under International Assignment Agreement, either you or TCSL can terminate the traineeship/appointment by giving 90 calendar days written notice as set out in the Separation Policy of TCSL. TCSL reserves the right if it is in the interest of the business and current assignment, to ask you to complete your notice period.

### **15. Retirement**

You will retire from the services of TCSL on reaching your 60th birthday as per the proof of age submitted by you at the time of joining.

### **16. Pre-employment Medical Certificate**

You are required to submit a Medical Certificate of Fitness (in the format prescribed by TCSL) which needs to be verified by a registered medical practitioner having a minimum qualification of MBBS to the Induction Coordinator.

### **17. Employment of Non Indian Citizens**

In case, you are not a citizen of India, this offer is subject to your obtaining a work permit and / or any other permissions and / or documentation as prescribed by the Government of India.

### **18. Background Check**

Your association with TCSL will be subject to a background check in line with TCSL's background check policy. A specially appointed agency will conduct internal and external background checks. Normally, such checks are completed within one month of joining. If the background check reveals unfavourable results, you will be liable to disciplinary action including termination of traineeship/service without notice.

### **19. Submission of Documents**

At the time of your joining, photocopy of the following documents should be submitted. Please carry the original copies for verification.

- Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card

You are required to submit a copy of your PAN card along with other joining forms, immediately on joining. As per Indian Income Tax rules, the PAN number is a mandatory requirement for processing salary.

- Standard X and XII mark sheets equivalent
- Degree certificate and mark sheets for all semesters
- Postgraduate degree certificate and mark sheets for all semesters (if you are a





Postgraduate)

- Birth Certificate / Proof of Age
- Work permit and/or any other documentation as prescribed by Government of India
- Passport
- 6 photographs
- Medical Certificate
- An affidavit/notarised undertaking stating:
  - \*There is no criminal offence registered/pending against you
  - \*There is no disciplinary case pending against you in the university
  - \*If you were employed, a formal release letter from your previous employer

The original documents will be returned to you after verification.

## **20. Initial Learning Programme (ILP)**

On joining TCSL, you will be given the benefit of formal and on the job training (Initial Learning Programme) at our offices, as identified, for such period as TCSL may decide. The said training forms a critical part of your employment with TCSL and is an ongoing process. TCSL continues to make investment on training and continuing education of its professionals. This will be of immense value to you as a professional and a large part of the ownership and commitment has to come from you.

As TCSL progresses with these initiatives, monitoring performance will be an ongoing process and a formal evaluation will be carried out during the training. The evaluation criteria which will be very transparent will be used as a basis for allocating people to projects/roles. We would request that the training be taken very seriously to enable you to add maximum value to your professional and personal growth.

If you remain unauthorizedly absent for a consecutive period of 10 days during the training programme, you shall be deemed to have abandoned your traineeship and your name will automatically stand discontinued from the list of ILP trainees without any further intimation/separate communication to you.

## **21. Letter of Appointment**

You will be issued a letter of appointment at the time of your joining and after completing joining formalities as per TCSL policy.

## **22. Rules and Regulations of the Company**

Your appointment will be governed by the policies, rules, regulations, practices, processes and procedures of TCSL as applicable to you and the changes therein from time to time. The changes in the Policies will automatically be binding on you and no separate individual communication or notice will be served to this effect. However, the same shall be communicated on internal portal/Ultimatix.

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### **23. Compliance to all clauses**

You should fulfill all the terms and conditions mentioned in this letter of offer. Failure to fulfill one or more of the terms and conditions and/or failure to clear one or more tests successfully would entitle TCSL to withdraw this offer letter anytime at its sole discretion.

**Withdrawal of Offer**

If you fail to accept the offer from TCSL within 7 days, it will be construed that you are not interested in this employment and this offer will be automatically withdrawn.

Post acceptance of TCSL Offer letter if you fail to join on the date provided in the TCSL Joining letter, the offer will stand automatically terminated at the discretion of TCSL.

We look forward to having you in our global team

Yours Sincerely,

**For TATA Consultancy Services Limited**

**K Ganesan**  
**Global Head Talent Acquisition & AIP**



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to validate the offer letter

Encl: Annexure 1: Benefits and Gross Salary  
Annexure 2: List of TCSL Centres  
Annexure 3: Confidentiality and IP Terms



## GROSS SALARY SHEET

Annexure 1

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <b>Name</b>           | <b>Chidambaram T</b>                               |
| <b>Designation</b>    | <b>Assistant System Engineer-Trainee</b>           |
| <b>Institute Name</b> | <b>Thiagarajar College Of Engineering, Madurai</b> |

Table 1: Compensation Details (All Components in INR)

| <b>Component Category</b>             | <b>Monthly</b> | <b>Annual</b>   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>1) Fixed Compensation</b>          |                |                 |
| Basic Salary                          | 10,200         | 1,22,400        |
| Bouquet Of Benefits #                 | 13,000         | 1,56,000        |
| <b>2) Performance Pay**</b>           |                |                 |
| Monthly Performance Pay               | 1,700          | 20,400          |
| Quarterly Variable Allowance*         | 600            | 7,200           |
| <b>3) City Allowance</b>              | 200            | 2,400           |
| <b>4) Annual Components/Retirals</b>  |                |                 |
| Health Insurance***                   | NA             | 7,900           |
| Provident Fund                        | 1,224          | 14,688          |
| Gratuity                              | 490            | 5,887           |
| Total of Annual Components & Retirals | 1,715          | 28,475          |
| Retention Incentive                   | NA             | 0               |
| <b>TOTAL GROSS</b>                    | <b>27,415</b>  | <b>3,36,875</b> |

# Refer to Table 2 for TCSL defined Structure. In case, you wish not to restructure your BoB, TCSL defined Structure as given in Table 2 will be applicable.

\* Amount depicted will be paid-out on a quarterly basis upon successful completion of the Initial Learning Programme.

\*\*The Performance Pay is applicable upon successful completion of the Initial Learning Programme.

\*\*\* For HIS - Note that Rs. 7900 if the employee is Single. If the employee is married or married with Children then Rs. 3,900/- per beneficiary needs to be added to the above mentioned amount.

Table 2: TCSL defined structure for BoB (All Components in INR)

| <b>Component Category</b>        | <b>Monthly</b> | <b>Annual</b>   |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| House Rent Allowance             | 4,080          | 48,960          |
| Leave Travel Assistance          | 850            | 10,200          |
| Food Card                        | 500            | 6,000           |
| Personal Allowance               | 7,570          | 90,840          |
| <b>GROSS BOUQUET OF BENEFITS</b> | <b>13,000</b>  | <b>1,56,000</b> |



## Annexure 2

### Regional Offices

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|---|--|
| <b>Ahmedabad</b><br><b>Lead -Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>Infocity, Info Tower 1, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor,<br>Airport Road, Gandhinagar - 382 009<br>Tel: 079 - 66712600<br>Fax: 079 - 66712601                             | <b>Bangalore</b><br><b>Lead -Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>VYDEHI RC-1 BLOCK, 82, EPIP, Whitefield,<br>Bangalore – 560 066<br>Tel: 080 – 67247000<br>Fax: 080 - 28410114  |
| <b>Chennai</b><br><b>Lead- Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>415/21-24, Kumaran Nagar,<br>Sholinganallur, Old Mahabalipuram,<br>Chennai - 600 119, Tamil Nadu, India<br>Tel: 044 - 66162222/62194/62195<br>Fax: 044 - 66162555 | <b>Delhi</b><br><b>Lead-Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, PTI Building, 4, Parliament Street,<br>New Delhi - 110 001<br>Tel: 011 - 66506555<br>Fax: 011 - 23311735   |
| <b>Hyderabad</b><br><b>Lead-Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>Deccan Park, No. 1 software Units Layout,<br>Madhapur, Hyderabad - 500 081<br>Tel: 040 - 66672000<br>Fax: 040 - 66672222   | <b>Kolkata</b><br><b>Lead-Talent Acquisition</b><br>TATA Consultancy Services<br>ODC 1-K-1, Gitanjali Park,<br>IT/ITES SEZ, Plot- IIF / 3. Action Area - II, New Town,<br>Kolkata - 700 156, West Bengal.<br>Tel: 033 - 6653 0000<br>Fax : 033 - 6653 0003 |
| <b>Lucknow</b><br><b>Lead -Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>1\1, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar,<br>Lucknow - 226 010<br>Tel: 0522 - 6661001<br>Fax: 0522 - 6661001   | <b>Mumbai</b><br><b>Lead-Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>Yantra Park, Opp. Voltas HRD Trg. Center,<br>Subhash Nagar, Pokhran Road No. 2,<br>Thane( West), 400601<br>Tel: 022 - 67782000/2222<br>Fax: 022 - 67782190                 |
| <b>Pune</b><br><b>Lead-Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>Niyati Tiara, Ground Floor,<br>S.No 103/A/1/129, CTS 1995, Nagar Road,<br>Yerwada, Pune - 411 006<br>Tel: 020 – 66087777<br>Fax: 020 - 66087107                       | <b>Thiruvananthapuram</b><br><b>Lead - Talent Acquisition</b><br>Tata Consultancy Services<br>Peepul Park, Technopark Campus<br>Karyavattom p.o.<br>Thiruvananthapuram - 695 581.<br>Tel - 0471- 2519400<br>Fax - 0471- 2519499                            |





## Annexure 3

### Confidentiality and IP Terms and Conditions

#### 1. Confidential Information

"Confidential Information" shall mean all Inventions and Know-how, information and material of TCS (including for avoidance of doubt any Confidential Information of its Clients) that comes into the possession or know of the Retainer/Consultant and shall include the following:

(a) Any and all information processing programs, software, properties, items, information, data, material or any nature whatsoever or any parts thereof, additions thereto and materials related thereto, produced or created at any time by TCS or the Retainer/Consultant in the course of or in connection with or arising out of the Retainer/Consultant's association with TCS. Program/Software shall mean source code and/or machine instructions wherever resident and on whatever media and all related documentation and software,

(b) All other information and material of TCS relating to design, method of construction, manufacture, operation, specifications, use and services of the TCS equipment and components, including, but not limited to, engineering and laboratory notebooks, reports, process data, test data, performance data, inventions, trade secrets, systems, software, object codes, source codes, copyrighted matters, methods, drawings, computations, calculations, computer programs, narrations, flow charts and all documentation therefore and all copies thereof (including for avoidance of doubt any such material belonging to the Clients of TCS).

(c) Corporate strategies and other confidential and proprietary material and information, which could cause competitive harm to TCS if disclosed,

(d) Customer and prospective customer lists, and

(e) All other information and material, which may be created, developed, conceived, gathered or collected or obtained by the Retainer/Consultant in the course of or arising out of the association with TCS or while in or in connection with or for the purposes of his/her association with TCS or any of the operations and entrusted by TCS to the Retainer/Consultant.



## **2. Retainer/Consultant's Obligations**

Retainer/Consultant agrees to treat the Confidential Information as strictly confidential and a trade secret of TCS. The Retainer/Consultant agrees not to use, or cause to be used, or disclose or divulge or part with either directly or indirectly the Confidential Information for the benefit of or to any third parties except for or on behalf of or as directed or authorized by TCS or to a person having a valid contract with or need under TCS, any Confidential Information. Upon termination of Retainer/Consultant-ship, the Retainer/Consultant agrees to surrender to TCS all Confidential Information that he or she may then possess or have under his or her control.

## **3. Intellectual Property Rights**

The Retainer/Consultant agrees and confirms that all intellectual property rights in the Confidential Information shall at all times vest in and remain with or belong to TCS and Retainer/Consultant shall have no right title or claim of any nature whatsoever in the Confidential Information. The Retainer/Consultant shall promptly disclose to an authorized officer of TCS all inventions, ideas, innovations, discoveries, improvements, suggestions, or reports and enhancements made, created, developed, conceived or devised by him or her arising out of his or her engagement with TCS, including in the course of provision of services to the Clients of TCS and the Retainer/Consultant hereby agrees and confirms that all such intellectual property rights shall at all times vest in and remain vested in TCS and agrees to transfer and assign to TCS any interests the Retainer/Consultant may have in such intellectual property rights including any interest in and to any domestic or foreign patent rights, trademarks, trade names copyrights and trade secret rights therein and any renewals thereof. On request of TCS, the Retainer/Consultant shall execute from time to time, during or after the termination of his or her Retainer/Consultant-ship, such further instruments, including without limitations, applications for letters of patent, trademarks, trade names and copyrights or assignments thereof, as may be deemed necessary or desirable by TCS to perfect the title of TCS in the intellectual property rights and to effectuate the provisions hereof. All expenses of filing or prosecuting any application for patents, trademarks, trade names, or copyrights shall be borne solely by TCS, but the Retainer/Consultant shall co-ordinate in filing and / or prosecuting any such applications. The Retainer/Consultant hereby expressly waives any "artist's rights" or "moral rights", which the Retainer/Consultant might otherwise have in such intellectual property rights.



#### **4. Prior knowledge**

The Retainer/Consultant acknowledges that prior to his or her appointment by TCS, he or she had no knowledge of the Confidential Information of TCS and that such Confidential Information is of a confidential and secret character and is vital to the continued success of TCS's business. The Retainer/Consultant further acknowledges that he or she is associated with TCS in a capacity in which he or she will become acquainted with all or part of such Confidential Information. In order to safeguard the legitimate interests of TCS in such Confidential Information, it is necessary for TCS to protect such Confidential Information by holding it secret and confidential.

#### **5. Use of third party material**

The Retainer/Consultant expressly agrees that it shall not in the course of his or her association with TCS and while working on the premises or facilities of TCS or its Clients or in connection with the development of any intellectual property rights or work for or on behalf of TCS, use any third party material or intellectual property rights except those intellectual property rights provided by TCS or expressly authorised by TCS or without having proper authorisation or license or approval of the respective owner of such intellectual property rights.

#### **6. Security policies and Guidelines**

The Retainer/Consultant agrees to abide by and be bound by any and all policies, documents, guidelines and processes including IP, Security and Confidentiality of TCS in force from time to time whether expressly endorsed or not.

#### **7. Restriction on Retainer/Consultant's Rights**

The Retainer/Consultant agrees that he or she shall not make, have made, replicate, reproduce, use, sell, incorporate or otherwise exploit, for his or her own use or for any other purpose, any of the Confidential Information including intellectual properties of TCS that is or may be revealed to him or her by TCS or which may in the course of his or her engagement with TCS come into his or her possession or knowledge unless specifically authorized to do so in writing by TCS.

#### **8. No License**

TCS and the Retainer/Consultant agree that no license under any patent or copyright now existing or hereafter obtained by TCS is granted, agreed to be granted, or implied by the terms of this Agreement, or by the disclosure to Retainer/Consultant of the Confidential Information.



## 9. Equitable Rights

The Retainer/Consultant acknowledges that any Confidential Information that comes into the possession and / or knowledge of the Retainer/Consultant is of a unique, highly confidential and proprietary nature. It is further acknowledged by the Retainer/Consultant that the disclosure, distribution, dissemination and / or release by the Retainer/Consultant of the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of TCS or any breach of this Agreement by the Retainer/Consultant will cause TCS to suffer severe, immediate and irreparable damage and that upon any such breach or any threat thereof, TCS shall without prejudice to any other remedies available to it, be entitled to appropriate equitable relief including the relief of specific performance and injunctive relief, in addition to whatever remedies it might have at law.

## 10. General

(a) The provisions hereof shall be interpreted, determined and enforced in accordance with the laws of India.

(b) In the event of any dispute or disagreement over the interpretation of any of the terms herein contained or may claim or liability of any party including that of surety, the same shall be referred to a person to be nominated by TCS, whose decision shall be final and binding upon the parties hereto. Subject to the above, the arbitration shall be governed by the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1999 or any modifications or re-enactment thereof. The Retainer/Consultant confirms that the fact that the arbitrator shall be a nominee of TCS shall not be a ground for objecting to such arbitration or challenging the decision of the arbitrator. The venue of arbitration shall be Mumbai. Subject to the above arbitration clause, the Parties agreed to the binding jurisdiction of the Courts at Mumbai under the laws of India.

(c) If any provision hereof shall be found by a judicial tribunal to be contrary to governing law, it shall be deemed null and void without annulling or rendering invalid the remainder of the Agreement and if the invalid portion is such that the remainder cannot be sustained without it, the Parties herein shall find a suitable replacement to the invalid portion that shall be legally valid.

(d) This Confidentiality clause along with other documents executed by the Retainer/Consultant or referenced in any such documents constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings pertaining to the subject matter thereof. No delay or omission of either Party in exercising or enforcing any of their rights or remedies hereunder shall constitute a waiver thereof.



(e) This Confidentiality clause may not be amended except in writing signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

(f) The obligations of the Retainer/Consultant in terms of this Confidentiality clause shall continue during the term of or in the course of the Retainer/Consultant-ship of the Retainer/Consultant with TCS and shall continue thereafter in perpetuity.

## **11. Non-Compete**

The Retainer/Consultant acknowledges that he/she is required on behalf of TCS to provide service to, or solicit business from various clients of the TCS (each such client herein after referred to as Customer). The Retainer/Consultant agrees that for a period of 6 (Six) months following the expiry or early termination of his/her Retainer/Consultant-ship with the TCS for any reason, will not accept any offer of employment / Retainer / Consultant-ship from any Client or Competitor of TCS, where he/she had worked in a professional capacity with Client projects during the course of his / her Retainer / Consultant-ship with TCS.