

## **7.0 VARIATION AND ITS VALUATION:**

### ***Quantities in Bill or Quantities of Tender.***

7.1 The Quantities set out in the Bill of Quantities of the tender shall be treated as estimated quantities of the work and shall never be deemed as actual or correct quantities of the works to be executed by the contractor in fulfillment of his obligation under the contract.

### ***Engineer's power to vary the works.***

7.2 The Engineer shall have the power to order the Contractor in writing to make any variation of the Quantity, quality or form of the works or any part thereof that may, in his opinion, be necessary and the Contractor upon receipt of such an order shall act as follows:

- (a) Increase or decrease the quantity of any work included in the contract.
- (b) Omit any work included in the contract.
- (c) Change the Character or quality or kind of any work included in the contract.
- (d) Change the levels, lines, position and dimensions of any part of the work, and
- (e) Execute extra and additional work of any kind necessary for completion of the works.

### ***Variation by Engineer do not vitiate the contract.***

7.3 No such variation shall in any way vitiate or invalidate the contract or be treated as revocation of the contract, but the value (if any) of all such variations evaluated in accordance with the Engineer's sole decision shall be taken into account and the contract price shall be varied accordingly.

### ***Where written order for variation is not needed.***

7.4 Provided always that written order of the Engineer shall not be required for increase or decrease in the quantity of any work upto 15%, where such increase or decrease is not the result of any variation order given under this clause but is the result of the quantities exceeding or being less than those stated in the bill of quantities. Provided also that verbal order of variation from the Engineer shall be complied with by the Contractor and the Engineer's subsequent written confirmation of such verbal order shall be deemed to be an order in writing within the meaning of this clause.

### ***Payment for extra or additional or omitted work or substituted work Engineer's powers.***

7.5 (a) The Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim of extra or additional work unless they have been carried out under the written orders of the Engineer.

(b) The Engineer shall solely determine the amount (if any) to be added to or deducted from the sum named in the tender in respect of any extra work done or work omitted by his order.

(c) All extra, additional or substituted work done or work omitted by order of the Engineer shall be valued on the basis of the rates and prices set out in the contract, if in the opinion of the Engineer, the same shall be applicable. If the contract does not contain any rates or prices directly applicable to the extra, additional or substituted work, then the Engineer may decide the suitable rates on the basis of Schedule of Rates (including surcharge in force at the time of acceptance of tender), if any, adopted by the Trustees with due regard to the accepted contractual percentage, if any thereon. In all other cases the Engineer shall solely determine suitable rates in the manner deemed by him as fair and reasonable, and his decision shall be final, binding and conclusive.

(d) If the nature or amount of any omission or addition relative to the nature or amount of the whole of the contract work or to any part thereof shall be such that, in the opinion of the Engineer, the rate of prices contained in the contract for any item of the works or the rate as evaluated under sub-clauses (b) and (c) of this clause, is by reason of such omission or addition rendered unreasonable or in-applicable, the Engineer shall fix such other rate or price as he deems proper and the Engineer's decision shall be final, binding and conclusive.