

Section 7: General Conditions of Contract

The Conditions of Contract consists of two parts, this Section 7 (General Conditions of Contract) and the following Section 8 (Particular Conditions of Contract).

The General Conditions shall be the *Conditions of Contract for Construction for Building and Engineering Works Designed by the Employer*, Multilateral Development Bank Harmonized Edition, prepared by the Fédération Internationale des Ingénieurs-Conseil, or FIDIC (FIDIC MDB Harmonized Construction Contract) available at [FIDIC MDB June 2010](#). The FIDIC MDB Harmonized Construction Contract is exclusive for the use of ADB Borrowers and their project implementing agencies as provided under the License Agreement dated 9 June 2005, between ADB and FIDIC, and, consequently, no part of this publication may be reproduced, translated, adapted, stored in a retrieval system or communicated, in any form or by any means, whether mechanical, electronic, magnetic, photocopying, recording or otherwise, without prior permission in writing from FIDIC, except by the Employer identified in the contract and only for the exclusive purpose of preparing bidding documents for ADB-financed contracts.

The standard text of the General Conditions chosen must be retained intact to facilitate its reading and interpretation by Bidders and its review by ADB. Any amendments and additions to the GCC, specific to the contract in hand, should be introduced in Section 8 (Particular Conditions of Contract), Part A (Contract Data) and Part B (Special Provisions). Clause numbers in the Particular Conditions of Contract (PCC) correspond to those in the General Conditions of Contract (GCC). As per GCC 1.5 (Priority of Documents), the PCC takes precedence over the GCC.

Part A (Contract Data) of the PCC includes data to complement the GCC in a manner similar to the way in which the Bid Data Sheet (BDS) complements the Instructions to Bidders (ITB).

Part B (Specific Provisions) is to be used to introduce country- or project-specific provisions, if so required. Whoever drafts the Specific Provisions should be thoroughly familiar with the provisions of the GCC and with any specific requirements of the Contract. Legal advice is recommended when amending provisions or drafting new ones.

The Conditions of Contract have been prepared for an ad measurement (unit price or unit rate) type of contract and cannot be used for other types of contract.