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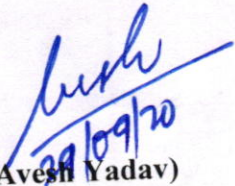
ENDORSEMENT

Sub: Amendment in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 Rule 161(iv) - Global Tender Enquiry- reg.

Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Expenditure has issued the following OMs on the subject mentioned above:-

1. O.M. No.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020
2. O.M. No.12/17/2019-PPD dated 28.05.2020
3. O.M. No.12/17/2019-PPD dated 28.05.2020
4. O.M. No.20/1/2020-PPD dated 27.08.2020
5. O.M. No.20/1/2020-PPD dated 22.09.2020

As approved by the Competent Authority, the O.M.s of Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Expenditure as mentioned above have been posted on the ICAR Web-Site www.icar.org.in for information, guidance and compliance.


(Avesh Yadav)
Deputy Director Finance

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F.No.12/17/2019-PPD
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Public Procurement Division

North Block, New Delhi
Dated the 15th May, 2020

Subject: Amendment in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 – Global Tender Enquiry

In pursuance of Prime Minister's address to the Nation on 12.05.2020, in order to promote self reliance, Make in India and to promote Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), it has been decided to make following amendments in the GFRs:

Present Rule 161(iv)	Amended Rule 161(iv)
Where the Ministry or Department feels that the goods of the required quality, specifications etc., may not be available in the country and it is necessary to also look for suitable competitive offers from abroad, the Ministry or Department may send copies of the tender notice to the Indian Embassies abroad as well as to the Foreign Embassies in India. The selection of the embassies will depend on the possibility of availability of the required goods in such countries. In such cases e-procurement as per Rule 160 may not be insisted.	(a) Global Tender Enquiry (GTE): Where the Ministry or Department feels that the goods of the required quality, specifications etc., may not be available in the country and it is necessary to also look for suitable competitive offers from abroad, the Ministry or Department may send copies of the tender notice to the Indian Embassies abroad as well as to the Foreign Embassies in India. The selection of the embassies will depend on the possibility of availability of the required goods in such countries. In such cases e-procurement as per Rule 160 may not be insisted (b) No Global Tender Enquiry (GTE), however shall be invited for tenders up to Rs 200 crore or such limit as may be prescribed by the Department of Expenditure from time to time.

	Provided that for tenders below such limit, in exceptional cases, where the Ministry or Department feels that there are special reasons for GTE, it may record its detailed justification and seek prior approval for relaxation to the above rule from the Competent Authority specified by the Department of Expenditure.
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2. Instructions regarding Competent Authority mentioned in Rule 161 (iv) (b) will be issued separately.

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To

1. Secretaries of all Ministries/ Departments, Govt of India
2. Mr Sailesh, Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises, Room no 301, Block 14, CGO complex, New Delhi. Tel: 24366171, email: secy-dpe@nic.in with a request to consider issuing similar instructions with respect to Central Public Sector Undertakings.

No.F.12/17/2019-PPD
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

168c North Block, New Delhi,
Dated: 28th May, 2020.

Subject: Global Tender Enquiry (GTE).

Attention is invited to this office OM No. F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 amending Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 and specifying that no GTE shall be invited for tenders up to Rs.200 crore. It was further stipulated that for tenders below 200 crore, where Ministry or Department feels that there are special reasons for GTE, it may record its detailed justification and seek prior approval for relaxation from the competent authority to be specified by Department of Expenditure (DoE).

2. The Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat shall be the competent authority under Rule 161 (iv) (b) of GFR. Ministries/ Departments are advised to send only well reasoned proposals to Secretary (Coordination). Secretary (Coordination), if required, may consult Department of Expenditure, Administrative Ministry and any other Ministry/ Department as he deemed fit.

28.5.20

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Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

168c North Block, New Delhi,
Dated: 28th May, 2020.

Subject: Global Tender Enquiry (GTE).

Attention is invited to this office OM No. F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 amending Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 and specifying that no GTE shall be invited for tenders up to Rs.200 crore. It is further clarified in this regard that:

- (i) Restriction on Global Tenders as specified in the revised Rule 161(iv) will be applicable on all procurements including Goods, Non-consulting services, Consultancy Services and Works including turnkey projects.
- (ii) The instructions are applicable with immediate effect i.e. for all the tenders published in newspapers or website after 15.05.2020.

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Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
PP Division

512, Lok Nayak Bhavan,
New Delhi. Dated the 27th August, 2020.

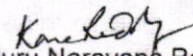
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Global Tender Enquiry – Clarification.

Attention is invited towards Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance OM No.F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 regarding amendment in Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules(GFR) 2017 which mandates no Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for tenders up to Rs.200 crore and Cabinet Secretariat ID note no.213/2/1/2020-C.A.IV dated 20.08.2020 (copy enclosed) wherein all Ministries/ Departments are requested to forward their proposals alongwith duly filled format for relaxation under above rule to this Department.

2. The cases for consideration must be submitted on or before the 10th of every month to this Department. A meeting will be held once in a month on its last week (exact date will be intimated every month) to decide on the cases received by 10th of the month to this Department. Cases received after this date will be taken up for consideration in the next month. The soft copy of the proposals shall be mailed by the proposing Departments to : gtenquiry-200@gov.in and kn.reddy@gov.in with CC to : ca4-cabsec@gov.in. Hard copy of the proposals may be sent if desired by the proposing Department.

Encl. : As above


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To,

- (i) Secretaries of all Central Government Ministries/ Departments
- (ii) Financial Advisors of all Central Government Ministries/ Departments

CABINET SECRETARIAT
RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN

Subject: Amendment in the GFR-2017, regarding the approval for GTE from the competent authority thereof

The undersigned is directed to refer to D/o Expenditure OM no. dated 15.06.2020 vide which UOE has amended the GFR-2017 and inserted rule 161(iv) which says-"No Global Tender Enquiry (GTE), shall be invited for tenders up to Rs. 200 crore or such limit as may be prescribed by the D/o Expenditure from time to time.

2. Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat has been notified as the Competent Authority to handle exceptional cases under the amendment made in Rule 161(iv) of GFR which mandates no Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for tenders up to Rs. 200 Crore.

3. All Ministries/Departments are requested to forward their proposals along with duly filled format enclosed herewith for relaxation under above rule to D/o Expenditure which will send the cases to Cabinet Secretariat after examining at their level.

4. The cases for consideration must be submitted on or before the 10th of every month to the D/o Expenditure. A meeting will be held once in a month on its last week (Exact Date will be intimated every month) to decide on the cases received by 10th of the month to D/o Expenditure. Cases received after this date will be taken up for consideration in the next month. The soft copy of proposals shall be mailed by the proposing departments to : gtenquiry-200@gov.in with CC to: ca4-cabsec@gov.in Hard copy of the proposals may be sent if desired by the proposing department.

5. D/o Expenditure may modify the format as may be needed for proper scrutiny of the proposal and intimate the same to this Secretariat.

25/8 P. S. S. R.
DS (P. S. S. R.)

(Sibi Chakkravarthy M.)
Deputy Secretary
Tel: 23792018

Secretary, All Ministries/Departments

Cab. Sectt. I.D. No. 213/2/1/2020-C.A.IV Dated 20th August, 2020



26/8/2020
Sh. Shrivastava

FORMAT FOR GTE

Details of proposed procurement for approval of Secretary Coordination (Cabinet Secretariat) for invitation of Global Tender Enquiry for procurement of goods with expected value less than Rs.200 crore.

S.No.	Particulars	Remarks
1	Detailed Description of the Item	
2	Use of the Item	
3	Whether item is procured regularly? (If so, Details of procurement of the said item over the past three years (Three completed financial years and the current financial year) inclusive of supply details as per format at Annexure-A.	
4	Quantity required to be procured with justification for the quantity (State/UT/Region wise projection)	
5	Estimated procurement price along with basis for such estimation (International Price comparison chart)	
6	Justification to be submitted as under	
	a	Detailed justification for Global Tender and essentiality of import (Item wise)
	b	Who are the (possible) vendors of the item under procurement, in the global (including India) market?
7	1	(Whether the Department has tried and floated the tender to identify the domestic suppliers in the past financial year.) (If not, the reason thereof)
	2	Capacity of all domestic local

		suppliers as per the domestic tender floated, if any	
8		What are technical alternatives available within country and whether they can be used?	
9		Whether the Department had in the past attempted at development of local suppliers/phased indigenization/promotion of alternative technology having sufficient local suppliers. (If so, details thereof)	
10		Consequences of non-procurement of the item through GTE.	
11		Whether BIS standards are available for the items proposed under procurement. If not, the efforts made to operationalize such standards	

ANNEXURE-AFORMAT FOR GTE

Details of procurement of the said item over the past three years (Three completed financial years and the current financial year) inclusive of supply details.

Year of contract	Item	Contract No. & date	Supplier	Quantity of supply with unit	Rate per unit	Completion date of contract	Country of Origin of goods	Local content in %

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Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
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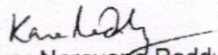
OFFICE MEMORANDUM**Subject: Global Tender Enquiry – forwarding of proposals.**

Attention is invited towards Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance OM No.F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 regarding amendment in Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules(GFR) 2017 which mandates no Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for tenders up to Rs.200 crore and Cabinet Secretariat ID note no.213/2/1/2020-C.A.IV dated 20.08.2020 wherein all Ministries/ Departments are requested to forward their proposals alongwith duly filled format for relaxation under above rule to this Department.

2. It has been noted that the cases for consideration are being sent by individual offices/ organizations e.g. autonomous bodies, public sector undertakings and subordinate offices of Central Government.

3. The undersigned is directed to inform that the cases for consideration which are to be submitted to this Department should be routed through Administrative Ministry with the concurrence of Financial Advisor and approval of Secretary concerned. The cases which are directly submitted by offices/ organizations e.g. autonomous bodies, public sector undertakings and subordinate offices of Central Government will not be considered for further examination.

4. This is for strict compliance of all concerned.


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