

No. F.4/1/2021-PPD  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
Procurement Policy Division

264-C, North Block,  
New Delhi Dated the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Consolidated Instructions regarding Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) under Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs) 2017 upto Rs 200 crore.**

Attention is invited to this Department's OM No. F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 regarding amendment in Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs) 2017 stipulating that no Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) shall be invited for tenders upto Rs.200 crore or such limit as may be prescribed by this Department from time to time. It further stipulates that in exceptional cases, where the Ministry or the 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 i.e. Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat.

2. Applicability: Restriction on Global tenders as specified in the revised Rule 161(iv) of GFRs, 2017 will be applicable on all procurements including Goods, Non-consulting services, Consultancy Services and Works including turnkey projects. The instructions are applicable for all the tenders published in newspapers or website after 15.05.2020.

3. It is noted that 40-45 % of the proposals being sent by Ministries/ Departments are either not complete or not in accordance with the instructions issued by this Department and Cabinet Secretariat for submission of the proposals. Due to this, such proposals are returned to proposing Ministry/ Department for rectification. In order to avoid shuttling of the proposals and to save time, all instructions for submission of proposals have been consolidated as under for convenience of proposing Ministries/Departments:

3.1 The proposal for approval shall be submitted by Administrative Ministry with the **concurrence of Financial Advisor and approval of Secretary** concerned. The proposals submitted by individual offices/ organisations (e.g. autonomous bodies, Central Public Sector Undertakings and subordinate offices of Central Government etc.) will not be entertained.

3.2 The proposals shall be submitted along-with **duly filled format** (issued by Cabinet Secretariat vide ID No. 213/2/1/2020-C.A.IV dated 06.10.2020, Annexure-I). **Every page should be attested by Administrative Ministry.**

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3.3 Apart from Department of Expenditure, the proposals must be submitted simultaneously to (i) Cabinet Secretariat, Email: [ca4-cabsec@gov.in](mailto:ca4-cabsec@gov.in) and (ii) Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade (DPIIT) Emails: [manmeet.nanda@ias.nic.in](mailto:manmeet.nanda@ias.nic.in) & [rajesh.gupta66@gov.in](mailto:rajesh.gupta66@gov.in)

3.4 Before sending proposals for approval of the Global Tenders, following is to be ensured:-

- (i) Domestic tender must be floated to identify the domestic manufacturers/ service providers for the items/ services for which approval is being sought for issuance of Global Tenders. In case, if the Ministry/ Department has not floated a domestic tender after 15.05.2020 for the items to be procured through GTE, such proposals will not be entertained. **The proposal must contain the details of domestic tenders, issued after 15.05.2020** (Tender Number, date of opening, number of offers received, details of offers received, reasons why domestic suppliers were not considered etc.)
- (ii) The proposal **must contain the details of deliberations with DPIIT/ relevant industrial bodies for identification of domestic manufacturers/ service providers.**
- (iii) The **3/5-year procurement plan** as mandated by Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) (PPP-MII) Order issued by DPIIT must be published on website, before forwarding proposals for the purpose of procurement through GTE. Web-link of published procurement plan should be provided in proposal.

#### 4. Exemptions/Clarifications

4.1 For procurement of specialised equipments required for research purposes, and spares and consumables, for such equipments upto Rs. 200 crore for the use of Educational and Research Institutes, Secretary of Ministry/ Department concerned shall be the competent authority to approve issue of Global Tender Enquiries for such requirements subject to fulfilment of conditions as laid down in Annexure-II. The equipment should be of specialized nature required for research purposes and not the routine equipment used in offices. (OM No. 20/45/2020-PPD dated 08.01.2021)

4.2 **Special relaxation for procurement of Covid-19 related items/ equipments/ services etc. through GTEs till 31.10.2021:** Secretary of Ministry/ Department concerned shall be the competent authority to approve issue of such Global Tender Enquiries (OM No. 4/1/2021-PPD dated 11.06.2021).

4.3 Further, instructions issued vide this department OM No. 12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 will not be applicable in following cases:

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- (i) On procurement of spare parts of the equipments/ Plants & Machinery etc. on nomination basis from Original Equipments Manufactures (OEMs) or Original Equipment Suppliers (OES) or Original Part Manufacturers (OPMs) as no competitive tenders are invited in such cases (OM No. 12/17/2019-PPD dated 29.10.2020).
- (ii) Where procuring entities need to issue GTEs to fulfil contractual commitments/ obligations entered by them before 15.05.2020 i.e. bid has been submitted by them to their clients before 15.05.2020. Similarly, where procuring entities need to issue GTEs in view of existing collaboration agreements entered by them with foreign suppliers before 15.05.2020. (OM No. 4/1/2021-PPD dated 12.03.2021).

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