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.

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Secretaries of all Central Government Ministries/ Departments