

No.F.4/1/2022-PPD-II
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

264-C, North Block, New Delhi.
01st April, 2022.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Relaxation on Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) under Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs) 2017 for procurements related to semi-conductors.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) OM Nos. W-43/2/2022- IPHW dated 28.01.2022 and W-38/7/2022-IPHW dated 08.02.2022 vide which MeitY has requested to relax Rule 161(iv) of GFRs 2017 for:

- a) Procurement of semi-conductors equipments for the purpose of manufacturing of electronics for one year.
- b) Procurements by public funded semiconductor and display fab facilities (including such facilities in Institutes of High Learning).

2. The matter was referred to Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MoMSME), who have now stated vide their OM No. OM No. 21(3)/2020-MA(Pt.-1) dated 02.03.2022 that MoMSME does not have any objection to call GTEs subject to condition that " No MSE in country is engaged in manufacturing of the items sought for exemptions and compliance of extant rules".

3. In view of all above, a general relaxation is hereby granted to all Ministries/ Departments for making:

- a) Procurement of semi-conductors equipments for the purpose of manufacturing of electronics.
- b) Procurements by public funded semiconductor and display fab facilities (including such facilities in Institutes of High Learning).

through GTEs with the approval of Secretary, concerned **for one year** subject to the condition that "No MSE in the country is engaged in manufacturing of the items (for which GTE will be issued).

4. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

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To,

All the Secretaries and Financial Advisors to Government of India.

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