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Procurement Policy Division

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Global Tenders.

Attention is once again invited to Rule 161(i) of General Financial Rules (GFR) 2017, which stipulates that while making procurement of goods of estimated value of Rs.25 lakh and more, open advertisement should be given on Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) and Government e-Marketplace (GeM). Hence, by default all procurements are to be done through non-global bids only (*Global tenders are similar to open tenders with the additional provision of payments in specified foreign currencies as well*). Only in the exceptional cases, where Ministry or Department feels that the goods of required quality, specifications etc. may not be available in the country and it is necessary to look for suitable competitive offers from abroad, global tenders are permitted (Rule 161 (iv) of GFRs).

2. The same is also amplified in para 4.3.1 of Manual for Procurement of Goods 2017 issued by this Department, which stipulates that while issuing Global Tenders, development of local industry also needs to be kept in mind. It further stipulates that Global Tender is viable only when the goods of required specifications and their alternatives are not available in the country or there is absence of a sufficient number of competent domestic bidders complying with the required technical specifications, and in case of suspected cartel formation among indigenous bidders.

3. All Ministries/ Departments are requested to adhere to the above while making any procurement and ensure that reasons are recorded in writing.


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