Addressed to:
As per list attached.

विषय: Two Packets System of Tendering - Finalization of Works Tenders.

सांख्यः (i) Board’s letter no. 85/W-I/CT/23/GCC, dated 31.01.86.
(ii) Board’s letter no. 90/CE-I/CT/27, dated 17.08.95.
(iii) Board’s letter no. 94/CE-I/CT/4, dated 17.09.97, 22.10.01, 17.10.02, 04.06.03 and 11.06.03.
(iv) Board’s letter no. 2008/CE-I/CT/Con/7 (PCE)/GM, dated 15.12.08.

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Reference is invited to Board’s letters mentioned above wherein instructions were communicated regarding inter alia, the ‘Two Packets System’ of tendering for works tenders.

In view of CVC’s concern on adoption of ‘Two Packets System’ of Tendering in works contracts and recommendations on the subject based on PCEs’/CAOs’ Conference, Board has decided to introduce a new Clause 7A to Part-I of IR’s existing General Conditions of Contract (GCC) on ‘Two Packet System of Tendering’. Accordingly,

1. For all works contract tenders requiring techno-economic evaluation, ‘Two Packets System’ of tendering shall be the norm as far as possible.

2. However, for all works contract tenders valuing more than Rs. 10 crore, ‘Two Packets System’ shall mandatorily be followed, except in cases where it is decided by an executive officer not below HAG level for reasons to be recorded in writing and with the concurrence of FA&CAO, that it would be advantageous to follow ‘Single Packet System’.

3. For tenders valuing upto Rs. 10 crore, decision to adopt ‘Two Packets System’ shall be taken by the tender inviting authority with the concurrence of Associate Finance, keeping in view the guiding principle laid down in Item-1 above.
As such the Clause 7A, as detailed in Annexure-A herein alongwith associated instructions mentioned above, shall be applicable with prospective effect in all future works contracts.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Enclosure/As Above

[Signature]

(आलोक कुमार)
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No.94/CE-I/CT/4 Pt.17 New Delhi, Dated 13.08.2012

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For Financial Commissioner/ Railways
New Clause 7A to Part-I of Indian Railways General Conditions of Contract

(Ref: Railway Board’s letter no. 94/CE-I/CT/4 Pt.17, dated 13.08.2012)

Clause 7A. Two Packet System of Tendering - The procedure detailed below shall be adopted for dealing with ‘Two Pockets System’ of Tendering:

7A.1 With a view to assess the tenders technically without being influenced by the financial bids, ‘Two Pockets System of tendering’ shall be adopted. In this system, the tenderers shall submit their quotations/offers in two sealed envelopes; with one cover containing the Technical & Commercial offers and the other cover containing the Financial Bids. The first packet shall be with the objective of scrutinising the capability, possession of appropriate machinery & equipments, financial strength, experience etc. of the tenderers.

7A.2 The technical details and commercial conditions shall be read out before the tenderers or their representatives at the time of opening of tenders and the same shall be evaluated by the Tender Committee. If the offers are found acceptable by the competent authority (as prescribed by Railway Board from time to time for the estimated value of tender invited), the second packet shall be opened and the tenders shall be processed for finalisation in the normal manner.

7A.3 However, if on the basis of information contained in the first packet, the Tender Committee needs clarification regarding designs, specifications etc.: discussions shall be held with each individual party/ tenderer after obtaining approval of the Competent Authority.

7A.4 ‘Two Pockets System’ of tendering shall be resorted to for technocommercial consideration in Works Contract Tenders of values as communicated by Railway Board from time to time on the subject.
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