Sub: Pre-qualification criteria for Elevator/Lifts.

Ref: (i) Railway Board's letter No. 2020/RS(G)/779/2/ Pt.1 dated 25.09.2020.
(ii) Railway Board’s letter No.2013/Elect(G)/150/13/Pt.II dated 13.10.2020.

Instructions have been issued by Railway Board vide Letter No. 2013/Elect(G)/150/13/Pt.II dated 13.10.2020 (ref.ii) in the matter of procurement of Elevator/Lifts by Railways in compliance of the instructions issued by Railway Board vide letter dated 25.09.2020 (referred at (i) regarding Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 (Revised) and GFR provisions.

Copy of the Board’s letter dated 13.10.2020 is attached herewith for compliance by all procuring authorities in Zonal Railways/PUs/PSUs etc.

DA: as above.

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Joint Director Railway Stores(G)
Railway Board

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1. MR, MoS(R)
2. CRB, MF, M/Infra, M/TRS, M/O&BD, Secretary/Railway Board, DG/HR, DG/RHS, DG/RPF.
3. All AMs, PEDs and All Executive Directors of Railway Board.
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Directions were issued vide Bd.’s letter dt. 13.06.19 to procure lifts/elevators as per CPWD specifications and Railways were asked to develop their own pre-qualification criteria.

2. ‘Make in India’ policy has been introduced to promote domestic companies and multinational companies for manufacturing and production of goods and services in India and is applicable to all Ministries/departments/PSUs. Department of Industrial Policy & promotion (now Department of Promotion of Industrial and Internal Trade) has issued Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order, 2017 which was circulated to Zonal Railways on 03.08.2017 and was revised on 26.08.2019. Further, DPIIT has issued PPP MII’s revised order dated 16.09.2020 in reference to which Board RS(G) Dte.’s letter (under ref.-ii above) dated 25.09.2020 was issued. Para 10(b) of the above order states that:

“Procuring entities shall endeavor to see that eligibility conditions, including on matters like turnover, production capability and financial strength do not result in unreasonable exclusion of ‘Class-I local suppliers’/ ‘Class-II local supplier’ who would otherwise be eligible, beyond what is essential for ensuring quality or creditworthiness of the supplier.”

3. Further, Rule no. 144(i) for procurement of Goods & Services of General Financial Rule (GFR) 2017 states that:

“The description of the subject matter of procurement to the extent practicable should—

a) be objective, functional, generic and measurable and specify technical, qualitative and performance characteristics.

b) not indicate a requirement for a particular trade mark, trade name or brand.”

4. Accordingly, it has been decided that in continuation to Board’s letter dt. 13.06.19, for procurement of lifts/elevators, strict compliance of DPIIT policy for promotion of Make in India and GFR including its rule 144 shall be ensured by the Railways in the pre-qualification criteria being followed by the Railways.

This issues with the approval of Board (M/TRS).

(Sumit Garg)
Director Elect. Engg. (PS)