## भारत सरकारBHARAT SARKAR रेल मंत्रालयMINISTRY OF RAILWAYS रेलवे बोर्डRAILWAY BOARD

No. 2015/RS(G)/779/5

नई दिल्ली New Delhi Dated: 03.06.2020

The General Managers, All Indian Railways/PUs, NF(C), CORE The DG/RDSO/Lucknow, NAIR/Vadodara and all other CTIs, Principal CAO DMW/Patiala, CAOs, WPO/Patna, COFMOW/NDLS, RWP/Bela, CMDs of PSUs, RVNL, KRCL, MRVC.

Sub.: Global Tender Enquiry - Amendment to Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules, 2017.

Ref.:

- (i) Railway Board's letter of even number dated 26-05-2020.
- (ii) Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance O.M.No. 12/17/2019-PPD dated 15/05/2020.
- (iii) Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance F.No. 12/17/2019-PPD dated 28/05/2020
- (iv) Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance F.No. 12/17/2019-PPD dated 28/05/2020

Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, vide OM referred at (ii) above had issued amendment to Rule 161 (iv) of GFR, 2017. This was circulated by Railway Board to zonal railways vide letter dated 26-05-2020 (ref. at (i) above.

- 2. Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide clarification (referred at (iii) above) has issued clarification regarding the competent authority for seeking relaxation under Rule-161(iv) of the GFR, 2017, for issue of GTE upto Rs.200 cr. Copy of the clarification of the Department of Expenditure is attached herewith for information and compliance.
- 3. Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide clarification (referred at (iv) above, second letter dated 28-05-2020) has also clarified that the revision to GFR Rule 161(iv) shall be applicable on all procurements including Goods, Non-consulting services, Consultancy Services and works including turn-key projects. It has also been clarified that the revised rule shall be applicable for all tenders published in newspapers or website after 15/05/2020. Copy of the clarification of the Department of Expenditure is attached herewith for information and compliance.

(Praveen Kumar) Jt. Director Railway Stores/G Railway Board

## Copy to:

- 1. PCMMs, PCEs, PFAs, CMEs, CEEs, CSTEs, All Indian Railways & PUs, RCF/RBL/NDLS, COFMOW, CORE, WPO and RWP/Bela
- 2. Sr. Prof. (Material Management), NAIR, Vadodara, Executive Director (Stores), RDSO, Lucknow
- 3. MD, CRIS, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi
- 4. MD, RITES, RITES Bhavan, Sector-29, Gurugram
- 5. Director, Iron & Steel, 3, KoilaGhat Street, Kolkata
- 6. Chief Commissioner, Railway Safety, Lucknow
- 7. Zonal Railway Training Institute, Sukadia Circle, Udaipur
- 8. The Genl. Secy., AIRF, Room No. 248, & NFIR Room No. 256-C, Rail Bhavan
- 9. The Secy. Genl., IRPOF, Room No. 268, FROA, Room No. 256-D & AIRPFA, Room No. 256-D Rail Bhavan

## Copy to:- PSOs/Sr. PPSs / PPS / PS to:

- 1. MR, MoS(R)
- 2. CRB, FC, ME, MTR, MRS, MS, MT, SECY., DG (RHS), DG (RPF)
- 3. All AMs, PEDs & Executive Directors of Railway Board

No.F.12/17/2019-PPD
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division
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168c North Block, New Delhi, Dated: 28<sup>th</sup> 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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- (i) Restriction on Global Tenders as specified in the revised Rule161(iv) will be applicable on all procurements including Goods, Non-consulting services, Consultancy Services and Works including turnkey projects.
- (ii) The instructions are applicable with immediate effect i.e. for all the tenders published in newspapers or website after 15.05.2020.

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