

भारतसरकार/ GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
रेलमंत्रालय/ MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(रेलवेबोर्ड/ RAILWAY BOARD)  
New Delhi

No. 2016/RS(M)/PACE/Pt.-I

Date: 24-05-2018

Principal Chief Materials Manager  
East Coast Railway

**Sub: Mission PACE: Long Term Contracting with Reverse Auction for selected items in Zonal Railways**

- Ref: i) Railway Board's letter of even No. dated 05-07-2017, 04-08-2017, 29-08-2017, 06-09-2017, 16-10-2017  
ii) No. 2016/RS(M)/DGS&D/GeM Date: 28-09-2017  
iii) PCMM/ECOR's letter No. MM/ECOR/08173506/Reminder1/5802 Dtd. 27-03-2018.

Consequent to the issue of policy directives for mandatory procurement of common use Goods and Services through GeM, for items available in GeM, on 22.09.2017, Railway Board vide letter under reference (ii) has issued instructions for centralize procurement of various common use items through GeM, by nominated Railways in order to get benefits of economies of scale. For this purpose, SCR has been nominated to procure all Paper items for requirement of all Zonal Railways.

Considering above, if any of the required Paper items are available on GeM, they are to be procured by SCR centrally for all Zonal Railways. It is further clarified that in case any item is not available on GeM, Railway Board's instruction under reference (i) is to be followed for all the items appearing in annexure "A" of this instruction.

It is, however, reiterated that availability of items is of paramount importance. Therefore, in case of any exigencies, failure in placement of order/supply through GeM, prevailing delegation of powers may be exercised to ensure availability of materials so that operations/maintenance/ outturn etc. of Railway are not affected.

  
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