### INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH KRISHI BHAVAN: NEW DELHI

F.No.22(1)/16-CDN. (A&A)

Dated the 16 Aug, 2017

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

The Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, New Delhi has issued O.M. No.20(2)/2014-PPD(Pt.) and No.26(2)/2016-PPD dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 regarding amendment to the Rule 170(i) and 152 respectively of General Financial Rules (GFR), 2017

As approved by the Competent Authority, the above amendments in General Financial Rules (GFR), 2017 has been posted on the ICAR Web-Site <a href="www.icar.org.in">www.icar.org.in</a> for compliance.

(SANJEEVAN PRAKASH) Deputy Director (Finance)

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- 9. In charge, ARIC, Directorate of Knowledge Management Units (DKMU), KAB-I Pusa, New Delhi-12 for placing the above mentioned OM in the ICAR Web-Site.
- 10. Secretary (Staff Side), CJSC, NRC on Meat, Hyderabad.
- 11. Guard file.

No.F.20/2/2014-PPD(Pt.)
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

516, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi the 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Amendment to the Rule 170(i) of General Financial Rules (GFR), 2017.

The reference of Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) to exempt Startups from submitting Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) has been considered and it has been decided to revise the Rule 170(i) of GFRs, 2017 regarding 'Bid Security' as under:

"Revised Rule 170 (i): To safeguard against a bidder's withdrawing or altering its bid during the bid validity period in the case of advertised or limited tender enquiry, Bid Security (also known as Earnest Money) is to be obtained from the bidders except Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) as defined in MSE Procurement Policy issued by Department of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) or are registered with the Central Purchase Organisation or the concerned Ministry or Department or Startups as recognised by Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP). The bidders should be asked to furnish bid security along with their bids. Amount of bid security should ordinarily range between two percent to five percent of the estimated value of the goods to be procured. The amount of bid security should be determined accordingly by the Ministry or Department and indicated in the bidding documents. The bid security may be accepted in the form of Account Payee Demand Draft, Fixed Deposit Receipt, Banker's Cheque or Bank Guarantee from any of the Commercial Banks or payment online in an acceptable form, safeguarding the purchaser's interest in all respects. The bid security is normally to remain valid for a period of forty-five days beyond the final bid validity period."

- 2. This OM is also available on our website http://doe.gov.in -> Notification -> Circular -> Procurement Policy OM.
- 3. Hindi version of this OM will follow.

(Vinayak T. Likhar) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India Tel.No.2462 1305.

To

All Secretaries & Financial Advisers of Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India.

No.F.26/2/2016-PPD
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

516, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi the 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

# OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Amendment to the Rule 152 of General Financial Rule, 2017 -Reg.

The undersigned is directed to invite attention to the provisions of Rule 152 of GFRs, 2017 which inter-alia states that as per the Compulsory Enlistment Scheme of the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it is compulsory for Indian agents, who desire to quote directly on behalf of their foreign principals, to get themselves enlisted with the Central Purchase Organization (eg.DGS&D). However, such enlistment is not equivalent to registration of suppliers as mentioned under Rule 150.

2. This department has received reference from Directorate General of Supplies & Disposals (DGS&D) to decentralize the activities of enlistment of Indian agent under Compulsory Enlistment Scheme as DGS&D is winding up by 31.10.2017. Hence, it is decided in consultation with major procuring Ministries/ Departments that the existing provision of Rule 152 at Chapter 6 of General Financial Rule, 2017 which deals with 'Procurement of Goods and Services" shall be substituted by the provision indicated as under:

"Rule 152: Enlistment of Indian Agents: Ministries / Departments if they so require, may enlist Indian agents, who desire to quote directly on behalf of their foreign principals."

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