

13.0 Applicability of the guidelines

- 13.1 The above guidelines are applicable for all tenders / procurements issued by Corporate Centre, Regions / Shared Service Centers, Stations and Projects except the following tenders / packages:
- i) ICB Tenders to be invited for Mega Power Projects where Price Preference of 15% is applicable on imported goods.
 - ii) Any item / package where specific guidelines / notifications have been issued by Nodal Ministry to exempt the item / package from implementation of the said PPP-MII Order.
 - iii) Single tenders and OEM /OES cases
- 13.2 The above guidelines shall not be applicable in case of small procurements having estimated value less than INR 5 Lakh excluding Taxes and Duties. Further, it shall be ensured by indenting departments that procurement is intentionally not split to reduce the estimated value of procurement less than INR 5 Lakh for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of this Circular.
- 14.0** This circular issues with the approval of Competent Authority for implementation by all concerned and comes into force with immediate effect for all tenders invited from Corporate Centre / SSCs / Regions / Sites in cases where NIT / IFB are yet to be issued or Techno-Commercial bids (in case of Single Stage Two Envelope bidding) / Price bids (in case of Two Stage bidding) are yet to be opened.
- 15.0** This Circular issues with the approval of the Competent Authority and comes into force with immediate effect. This circular supersedes Circular No. 779 dated 30.04.2019 and 801(R) dated 17.04.2020.

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