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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

512, Lok Nayak Bhawan,
New Delhi
Dated the 29th October 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Relaxation on Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) under Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules (GFRs) 2017.

Attention is invited to this Department's OM of even no. Dated 15.05.2020 and 28.05.2020 regarding amendment in Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules(GFRs) 2017 stipulating that no Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) shall be invited for tenders upto Rs.200.00 crore or such limit as may be prescribed by this Department from time to time. It further stipulates that in exceptional cases, where the Ministry or the Department feels that there are special reasons for GTE, it may record its detailed justification and seek prior approval for relaxation to the above Rule from the competent authority i.e. Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat.

2. In this regard, a doubt has arisen if the above instructions will also be applicable with respect to procurement of spares from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) or Original Equipment Suppliers (OES) or Original Part Manufactures (OPMs) on nomination basis, though there is no other source available and no competitive offers are invited.

3. In this regard, it is clarified that this office OM of even number dated 15.05.2020 will not be applicable on procurement of spares parts of the equipments/Plant & Machinery etc. on nomination basis from OEM/OES or OPM as no competitive tenders are invited in such cases.

4. This issues with the approval of Secretary(Expenditure).

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