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Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
Procurement Policy Division  
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515, Lok Nayak Bhavan,  
Khan Market, New Delhi,  
28.06.2024

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: - Relaxation under Rule 161(iv) of General Financial Rules 2017 for issuance of Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) for procurement of Medical Devices -reg.**

Attention is invited to this Department's OM No. F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 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 crore*. However, in exceptional cases, where the Ministry or the Department feels that there are special reasons for issuance of 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 context, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoH&FW) has requested to exempt procurement of 354 Medical Devices from the above instructions.


3. In view of request of MoH&FW, a general exemption is hereby granted herewith under Rule 161 (iv) of GFRs 2017, from the instructions issued by this Department vide OMs No. F.12/17/2019-PPD dated 15.05.2020 & 28.05.2020, for issuance of GTE for procurement of 354 Medical Devices listed at Annexure-A till 31.03.2027 or further orders.

4. In this context, it is further clarified that:

- a. The machine system includes spare parts and accessories which may be procured by procuring entities together or separately.
- b. Procuring entity concerned may frame the detailed technical specifications for the above devices as per their requirements.

5. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

**Encls: As above.**

  
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To,

All the Secretaries and Financial Advisors to Government of India.

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