

ABSTRACT

TENDERS – Establishment of e-Procurement Portal and Adoption of Electronic Tendering – Further procedures – Orders Issued.

Finance (Salaries) Department

G.O.(Ms.)No.73

Dated: 29.02.2016 Manmatha Aandu, Maasi 17, Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2047

Read :-

- 1. G.O.(Ms) No.451, Finance (Salaries) Department, dated 05.12.2013.
- 2. G.O.(Ms) No.149, Finance (Salaries) Department, dated 05.06.2014.
- 3. G.O.(Ms) No.261, Finance (Salaries) Department, dated 31.10.2014.

ORDER:-

Rule 16(3)(b) of Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Rules, 2000 provides for uploading the tender document and downloading the same at free of cost at the designated website of the Government while following open tender procedures. Moreover, Rule 17, 18, 21 and 22 of the said rules deal with the procedures like uploading corrigendum in the website, keeping tenders received through electronic mail electronically locked and opening of the e-submitted tenders.

2) In the Governor's Address, 2013, paragraph 16, it was announced that "This Government will launch an ambitious comprehensive Project Formulation, Execution and Management System which will integrate and computerise the entire process of projects and works implementation in the State, right from the stage of preparation of estimates, tendering, award of tenders, execution of works including measurements, up to the final payment of bills. Such a system will also include an e-Procurement portal and the adoption of electronic tendering procedures in Government. This is expected to significantly enhance the efficiency of the project management processes in various departments and greatly speed up the implementation of projects".

3) In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued constituting a committee comprising Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department as Chairman and Secretary to Government (Expenditure), Finance Department as Convenor and 7 other Official members, to take further action on the above said announcement.

4) The above said Committee holding several rounds of deliberations and taking into account various inputs explored various options including the adoption of software created by Computer Maintenance Corporation (CMC) for the Tamil Nadu Road Sector Project. Moreover, the said Committee observed that the National Informatics Centre (NIC) is endowed with robust portal which is a time tested and a certified one on security and functional aspects and that National Informatics Centre is handling the e-Procurement throughout the country with its 174 servers. Accordingly, the Committee has recommended the following course of action:-

(i) The National Informatics Centre may be entrusted with the job of launching an e-Procurement Portal and adoption of Electronic Tendering Procedures with necessary customisation for the State in consonance with Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act 1998 and Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Rules 2000, preparation e-Bidding manual and imparting department-wise training, both for Officials and Bidders at ELCOT / Anna Institute of Management. In this regard, the National Informatics Centre's existing demonstration e-Procurement Portal (<u>http://demoeproc.nic.in/nicgep/app</u>) may be utilised.

(ii) The proposed e-Procurement Portal to be built by National Informatics Centre may be administered by Finance Department with technical assistance from Information Technology Department;

(iii) An inter-departmental sub-committee, may be constituted for the validation and recommendation of registration of vendors in the common e-Procurement Portal so as to assign Unique Identification Number;

(iv) With regard to Post-Tendering process, the Tamil Nadu Road Sector Project (TNRSP) module may be adopted and the same may be taken up with individual user department in due course;

(v) the recommendations in paragraphs (i) to (iii) above may be carried out concurrently.

5) The Government, after careful consideration, has decided to accept the recommendations of the above said Committee and issue the following orders:-

(a) The National Informatics Centre shall be entrusted with the job of launching of the e-Procurement Portal and adoption of Electronic Tendering Procedures with necessary customisation for the State in consonance with Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act 1998 and Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Rules 2000. The National Informatics Centre shall also be entrusted with the preparation of e-Bidding manual and imparting department-wise training, both for Officials and Bidders at ELCOT / Anna Institute of Management. In this regard, the National Informatics Centre's existing demonstration e-Procurement Portal (<u>http://demoeproc.nic.in/nicgep/app</u>) shall be utilised.

(b) The e-Procurement Portal to be built by National Informatics Centre shall be administered by Finance Department with technical assistance from Information Technology Department;

(c) An inter-departmental sub-committee, with the following composition shall be constituted for the validation and recommendation of registration of vendors in the common e-Procurement Portal so as to assign Unique Identification Number and to carryout out the related work:-

S.No.	Designation	Member
1	Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department.	Chairman
2	Principal Secretary to Government, Planning and Development Department.	Member
3	Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department	Member
4	Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.	Member
5	Principal Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department.	Member
6	Secretary (Expenditure) to Government, Finance Department.	Member-Secretary

(d) In respect of Post-Tendering process, Tamil Nadu Road Sector Project (TNRSP) module shall be adopted and the same may be taken up with individual user department in due course.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K. SHANMUGAM ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Chennai - 9. The Secretary to Government (Expenditure), Finance Department, Chennai – 9. The Principal Secretary to Government, Planning& Development Department, Chennai – 9. The Additional Secretary to Government (P.U.), Finance Department, Chennai – 9.

- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Highways and Minor Ports Department, Chennai-9.
- The Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Chennai-9.
- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Chennai 9.
- The Principal Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, Chennai 9.
- The Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department, Chennai 9.
- The Deputy Director General and State Informatics Officer, NIC, E2A, Rajaji Bhavan, Besant Nagar, Chennai 90.

The Managing Director, ELCOT, Chennai - 35.

The Additional Chief Secretary/Director, Anna Institute of Management, Chennai – 28.

Highways and Minor Ports (OP) Department, Chennai – 9.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (OP) Department, Chennai – 9.

Public Works (OP) Department, Chennai – 9.

Municipal Administration and Water Supply (OP) Department, Chennai – 9.

Information Technology (OP) Department, Chennai – 9.

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