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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: -

Recommendation of Expenditure Management Commission (EMC) - regarding

The Government of India had constituted EMC in September, 2014 to look into various aspects of Expenditure Reforms to be undertaken by the Government. The Committee was headed by Dr. Bimal Jalan, eminent economist and public policy experts.

2. In this context it is noted that EMC has recommended following related to Public Procurement.

Recommendation No.87 of December, 2015

Identification of likely sources: Rule 168 specifies identification of likely sources for consultancy. The provisions of limited tender should be extended for procurement of services through consultancy firms.

3. In this regard it is noted that Rule 168 of the GFR already permits that when the estimated cost of the consulting services is upto Rs.25 lakhs, the preparation of the list of potential consultants may be done on the basis of formal or informal inquires from other Ministries/ Departments or involved in similar activities, chamber of commerce & industry, association of consulting firms etc. Hence, provision of limited tender for buying the consultancy service upto Rs.25 lakh is already available.

4. All Ministries/ Departments are requested to make use of these provisions. Further in order to facilitate Ministries/ Departments. Department of Expenditure is also in process of revising Manual on Procurement of Consultancy Services.

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