## **About Central Public Procurement Portal**

In pursuance of the recommendations of the Committee on Public Procurement headed by Shri Vinod Dhall and the decisions thereon of the Group of Ministers constituted to consider measures to tackle corruption and ensure transparency, the Department of Expenditure has taken action for setting up a Central Public Procurement Portal (CPP Portal). National Informatics Centre (NIC) has been given the responsibility for setting up this portal.

The primary objective of the portal is to provide a single point access to the information on procurements made across various Ministries and the line Departments. The CPP Portal is accessible at the URL <a href="http://eprocure.gov.in">http://eprocure.gov.in</a> and it has e-publishing and e-procurement modules. It will be mandatory for all Ministries / Departments of the Central Government, Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) and Autonomous and Statutory Bodies to publish all their tender enquiries issued on or after the following dates, on the CPP Portal:

- a. In the case of Ministries / Departments and their attached and subordinate offices w.e.f. 1st January 2012;
- b. In the case of CPSEs w.e.f. 1st February 2012;
- c. In the case of Autonomous / Statutory Bodies w.e.f. 1st April 2012.



The complete backend hardware and software support for implementation of the system will be from NIC. The user department has to make provisions for the front end infrastructure such as desktop system, printer & scanner, NICNET/ internet connection.

## Various salient points addressed by this portal include:

- Platform for publication of tender and bid award details by Central and State Government Ministries, Departments and Organizations, PSUs and PSBs
- Free Access to tender documents for all
- Facility to publish NIT through on-line form,
- Facility to publish tender documents, to add corrigendum with document
- Facility to publish bid award details along with contract document
- In public domain, no registration required for access/viewing by public
- Email / SMS alerts at various milestones.
- Toll Free Help Line facility for all.
- Categorised according to types of tenders, product categories, types of Organisations and Organisation name
- Archived tenders are available in public domain
- Search facility available using parameters like keywords, location, value, organization name, organization type, tender type, and product categories

## Major goals and guiding objectives of CPPP

- The prime objective is to educate, encourage/ incentivize and thus facilitate Government Departments at all levels, through appropriate steps and interventions from Central Government level, to readily adopt and use the Central Public Procurement Portal to bring in transparency in tendering process and gradually move towards adoption of electronic Procurement solution(s) for their procurement needs on a continuing basis.
- Act as catalyst in streamlining the procurement processes of public/ Government sector with the help of ICT tools and technologies, enabling them to harness the multi-dimensional benefits of eProcurement/ eTendering pertaining to: efficient and cost-effective procurement, shortened procurement cycles, full transparency in the whole process, avoidance of human discretion/ interference to the extent possible, easy availability of complete audit trail and evidential data etc.
- Enable access to widest reach of tenders and unhindered secured bid submission facility for all, from any corner of the country.