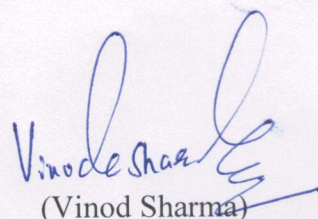


INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH, NEW DELHI

No. F&A/Misc.2/2022
Dated: 04th February 2022

Office Memorandum

Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Department of Health Research OM No. A-36013/01/2021-HR(Budget) dated 09th December 2021 and Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure OM No. F20/42/2021-PPD dated 01st September 2021 regarding special provisions for Scientific Ministries / Departments under the General Financial Rules – Applicability of the provisions to the Department of Health Research (DHR) and ICMR for information and further necessary action.


(Vinod Sharma)

Assistant Director General (Finance)

To:

1. In-Charge (Procurement Cell), ICMR Headquarters
2. DDG (Admn.), ICMR Headquarters
3. ADG (Admn.) & HOO, ICMR Headquarters
4. DDO, ICMR Headquarters
5. Senior Account Officer, ICMR Headquarters
6. All Accounts Officers, ICMR Headquarters
7. All the Directors of ICMR Institutes & Centres (through email)
8. Dr. LK Sharma, Scientist E, BMI Division for uploading the aforesaid OM on Website

Copy for information to:

1. Sr. PS to DG
2. Sr. PS to Sr. FA & Sr. DDG (A)

File No.A-36013/01/2021-HK(Budget)

No. A-36013/01/2021-HR (Budget)
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Department of Health Research

2nd Floor, IRCS Building,
1, Red Cross Road, New Delhi-110001
Dated: 9th December, 2021

To

The Director General,
Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)
Dr. V. Ramalingaswami Bhawan,
Ansari Nagar,
New Delhi-110029

[Attention: Shri Rajeev Roy, Senior Financial Adviser, ICMR]

Subject: Special Provisions for Scientific Ministries/Departments under the General Financial Rules-Applicability of the provisions to the Department of Health Research DHR) and ICMR.

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Ministry of Finance, Department Expenditure vide their O.M. No. F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 1st September, 2021 had issued certain amendments in the General Financial Rules (GFRs) with special/liberalised provisions for award of works for repairs and Purchase of Goods, etc in respect of the Scientific Ministries/Departments. It was, however, observed that the Department of Health Research (DHR) was not covered in the list of Scientific Ministries/Departments whom the aforesaid amendments were made applicable.

2. The matter was, therefore, taken up the Department of Expenditure for making the provisions of the aforesaid OM applicable to the Department of Health Research (DHR) also since the DHR was created as a new Department with the objective to promote interventions and implement policies relating to health Research system in the country and is administering the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), which is the premier and apex body for undertaking medical and health research in the country.

3. **The Department of Expenditure (MoF) vide their OM dated 03.12.2021 has since conveyed their approval to make the provisions of their O.M. No. F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 1st September, 2021 applicable to the Department of Health Research, including the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).**

4. Accordingly, copies of the aforesaid OMs dated 01.09.2021 and 03.12.2021 from the Department of Expenditure are forwarded herewith for information and necessary action (Annexure-I & II).

Encl: Annex-I & II

Yours faithfully,

Digitally Signed by Daulat
Ram Meena
(DAULAT RAM MEENA)
Date: 09-12-2021 14:59:20
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India
Reason: Approved
Tel No.23736901

No F 20/42/2021-PPD(Pt)
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

264-C, North Block New Delhi
3rd December, 2021.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Departments in General Financial Rules, 2017.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Department of Health Research (DHR) D.O. No. A-36013/01/2021-HR(Budget) dated 14.10.2021 and to inform that the request of Department of Health Research has been considered by this Department and it has been decided that the provisions of OM No.F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 01.09.2021 shall also apply to Department of Health Research (including Indian Council of Medical Research). It is stated that above mentioned inclusion is only for those provisions as given in this Department's OM dated 01.09.2021.

2. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

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31/12/2021
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To

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No.F.20/42/2021-PPD
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure
Procurement Policy Division

Room No.264C, North Block, New Delhi.
Dated the 1st September, 2021.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Departments in General Financial Rules, 2017.

NITI Aayog has collated inputs from various scientific Ministries/ Departments regarding the provisions in General Financial Rules (GFRs) 2017 that impede the smooth functioning of these Ministries/ Departments. NITI has further recommended/ suggested certain changes in GFRs based on these inputs.

2. In this context, following amendments in GFRs are being made:-

Rule No.	Existing	Amended GFR
133(3)	<p>As an alternative to 133(2), a Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakh and original works of any value to:</p> <p>(i) any Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or</p> <p>(ii) to any other Central/ State Government organisation/ PSU which may be notified by the Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD) for such purpose after evaluating their financial strength and technical competence. For the award of work under this sub-rule, the Ministry/ Department shall ensure competition among such PSUs / Organisations. This competition shall be essentially on the lump sum service charges to be claimed for execution of work.</p> <p>In exceptional cases, for award of work under (i) and (ii) above, on nomination basis, the conditions contained in Rule 194 would apply. The work under these circumstances shall also be</p>	<p>As an alternative to 133(2), a Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakh and original works of any value to:</p> <p>(i) any Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or</p> <p>(ii) to any other Central/ State Government organisation/ PSU which may be notified by the Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD) for such purpose after evaluating their financial strength and technical competence. For the award of work under this sub-rule, the Ministry/ Department shall ensure competition among such PSUs / Organisations. This competition shall be essentially on the lump sum service charges to be claimed for execution of work.</p> <p>In exceptional cases, for award of work under (i) and (ii) above, on nomination basis, the conditions contained in Rule 194 would apply. The work under these circumstances shall also be</p>

Rule No.	Existing	Amended GFR
	awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.	awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge. Note: Scientific Ministries/ Departments can assign repair Works estimated to cost <u>upto Rs 5 crore on nomination basis even in normal cases</u> . These instructions will be applicable upto three years from the date of issue of this OM. Thereafter, review will be made by Department of Expenditure to decide on further extension of these powers.
154	<p>Purchase of Goods without quotation Purchase of goods upto the value of <u>Rs. 25,000</u> (Rupees twenty five thousand) only on each occasion may be made without inviting quotations or bids on the basis of a certificate to be recorded by the competent authority in the following format. "I, am personally satisfied that these goods purchased are of the requisite quality and specification and have been purchased from a reliable supplier at a reasonable price."</p>	<p>Purchase of Goods without quotation Purchase of goods upto the value of <u>Rs. 50,000</u> (Rupees fifty thousand) only for <u>common used goods and Rs one lakh for scientific equipments and computers</u> on each occasion may be made without inviting quotations or bids on the basis of a certificate to be recorded by the competent authority in the following format. "I, am personally satisfied that these goods purchased are of the requisite quality and specification and have been purchased from a reliable supplier at a reasonable price." Note: These powers are to be used only when the required goods are not available on Government e-Marketplace (GeM) as stipulated in this Department OM no 6/1/2018-PPD dated 19.01.2018</p>
155	<p>Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee. Purchase of goods costing above Rs. 25,000 (Rupees twenty five thousand only) and <u>upto Rs.2,50,000/-</u> (Rupees two lakh and fifty thousand only) on each occasion may be made on the recommendations of a duly constituted <u>Local Purchase</u></p>	<p>Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee. Purchase of goods costing above Rs. 50,000 or one lakh and <u>upto 10 lakh</u> on each occasion may be made on the recommendations of a duly constituted <u>Local Purchase Committee</u> consisting of three members of an appropriate level as</p>

Rule No.	Existing	Amended GFR
	<p>Committee consisting of three members of an appropriate level as decided by the Head of the Department. The committee will survey the market to ascertain the reasonableness of rate, quality and specifications and identify the appropriate supplier. Before recommending placement of the purchase order, the members of the committee will jointly record a certificate as under.</p> <p>"Certified that we, members of the purchase committee are jointly and individually satisfied that the goods recommended for purchase are of the requisite specification and quality, priced at the prevailing market rate and the supplier recommended is reliable and competent to supply the goods in question, and it is not debarred by Department of Commerce or Ministry/ Department concerned."</p>	<p>decided by the Head of the Department. The committee will survey the market to ascertain the reasonableness of rate, quality and specifications and identify the appropriate supplier. Before recommending placement of the purchase order, the members of the committee will jointly record a certificate as under.</p> <p>"Certified that we, members of the purchase committee are jointly and individually satisfied that the goods recommended for purchase are of the requisite specification and quality, priced at the prevailing market rate and the supplier recommended is reliable and competent to supply the goods in question, and it is not debarred by Department of Commerce or Ministry/ Department concerned."</p> <p>Note: These powers are to be used only when the required goods are not available on Government e-Marketplace (GeM) as stipulated in this Department OM no 6/1/2018-PPD dated 19.01.2018</p>

3. These amendments will only be applicable to following Ministries/ Departments:-

- (i) Department of Science and Technology
- (ii) Department of Bio-technology
- (iii) Department of Scientific and Industrial Research
- (iv) Department of Atomic Energy
- (v) Department of Space
- (vi) Ministry of Earth Sciences
- (vii) Defence Research and Development Organisation.

4. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

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To
 Secretaries and Financial Advisors of all Ministries in Para 3 as above.