

कुलसचिव कार्यालय (संस्थान क्रय प्रकोष्ठ) Office of the Registrar (Institute Purchase Cell)

Date: 10.09.2025

Ref. No. IIT(BHU)/IPC/Notice/25-26/M59/380

NOTICE

Subject: Special Provisions for Scientific Ministries/Departments in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017 -Reg.

In pursuance of the communication received from the Technical Section-I, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, GoI, vide F. No. 7-13/2018-TS.I(Part-2) dated 10.06.2025 and 13.06.2025 (**copies enclosed**), and the Office memorandum issued by the Procurement Policy Division, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, GoI, vide No. F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 05.06.2025, the undersigned is directed to convey the following:

1. The monetary ceilings under Rule 154, 155, 161 & 162 of GFRs, 2017 for procurement of scientific equipment and consumables only for research purposes shall be as follows:

Rule of GFR	Objective	Current Limit	Amended Limit
154	Purchase of goods without quotation	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh)	Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakh)
155	Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) and upto Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakh)	Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakh) and upto Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees twenty five lakh)
162	Limited Tender Enquiry (LTE)	Upto Rs. 50 lakh	Upto Rs. 1 crore
161	Advertised Tender Enquiry	Above Rs. 50 lakh	Above Rs. 1 crore





भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान (का.हि.वि.) वाराणसी – 221005भारत

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2. Global Tender Enquiry: The Director of the Institute shall be the Competent Authority to approve issuance of Global Tender Enquiry (GTEs) upto Rs.200 crore under Rule 161(iv) of GFRs, 2017, where he/she is satisfied that there is justification for such exemption for procurement of scientific equipment and consumables required only for research purposes at the Institute.

In this connection, this is to inform that a committee was constituted by the Director to examine the guidelines for considering such proposals of issuance of Global Tender Enquiry upto Rs. 200 crore, and to suggest an efficient mechanism on the matter. The Committee has submitted its recommendations. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, guidelines for processing the requests for grant of approval to issue Global Tender Enquiry has been formulated.

A copy of these guidelines is placed at ANNEXURE-1.

- 3. It is also reiterated that above mentioned amendments as notified at para 1 and 2 above, are applicable strictly for the procurement of Scientific equipment and consumables required for research purposes and should not be used for other items like furniture, other consumables and office equipments in the Institute. A list of such procurement is to be complied and shared with the Ministry of Education at the end of every Financial year.
- 4. Procurement through GeM under Rule 149 of GFR-2017: This is to reiterate that to ensure compliance with Rule 149 of the GFR at the Institute, the GeM portal shall be utilised for direct online purchase of goods and services as under:

"Through direct purchase mode (i.e. through any of the available suppliers on the GeM) upto Rs. 1,00,000/-; through L-1 comparison basis (i.e. through the GeM seller having lowest price amongst the available sellers, of at least three different manufacturers, on GeM) from Rs. 1,00,001/- upto Rs. 10,00,000/- (with optional bidding above Rs. 1,00,000/-). However, for procurement above Rs. 10,00,000/-, it will be mandatory on the part of the buyer to go for floating Tenders through GeM."





All buyers of the Institute are thus, advised to procure items through GeM only through catalogue mode. In the event of non-availability of goods and services on GeM through catalogue mode, such items may be procured through GeM Custom Bidding/GeM BOQ Bidding, as the case of may be. Further, if the items could still not be procured, then the proposal be sent for approval of the Competent Authority for initiating procurement outside GeM, alongwith documents to support the attempts/efforts made to procure the item from GeM.

Further, in terms of the amended monetary ceilings under Rule 154 of GFR-2017, as at para 1 above, for scientific equipments and consumables with estimated cost upto Rs. 2,00,000/-, which are not available on GeM, may be procured directly after generating GeM Availability Report and Past Transaction Summary (GeMAR&PTS) through generic search string (not brand/product specific).

All Heads/Coordinators/In-charges are requested to adhere to the above guidelines.

This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority of the Institute.

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Jt. Registrar (Accounts)-IP Cell

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Date:

Copy to the following for information and necessary action:

- 1. All the Deans/Associate Deans/Professor In-Charges
- 2. All the Heads/Coordinators of the Departments/Schools/Centres/Units,
- 3. The Chief Councillor, Gymkhana
- 4. The Chairman, IWD
- 5. The Chairman, Council of Wardens
- 6. The Chairman, Web Management & E-mail Services Committee, with a request to kindly upload the notice on the Institute website.
- 7. The Chairman, Press & Publicity Committee
- 8. The Coordinator, GTAC.
- 9. The Coordinator, IIT-Cafeteria.





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- 10. The Chief Proctor.
- 11. All the Admin Wardens/Wardens of the Hostels.
- 12. All the Joint Registrars.
- 13. Secretary to the Director.
- 14. The Deputy Registrar (R&D) and The Assistant Registrar (Accounts-I),with a request to kindly share a compiled list of all procurements of scientific equipments and consumables for research purposes only at this Institute done during each financial year, with the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education at the end of each financial year.
- 15. All the Deputy Registrars/Assistant Registrars.

16. P.A. to the Registrar.

Jt. Registrar (Accounts)-IP Cell



Subject: Guidelines for processing requests for grant of approval to issue Global Tender Enquiry (GTEs)

- 1. The Department/Faculty/Staff concerned seeking approval to issue Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) shall submit proposals in the prescribed format (APPENDIX-I), duly filled in, alongwith the following particulars:
 - (i) The P.I./concerned faculty should clearly indicate whether the item is proprietary or not & clearly strike off the points which are not applicable as mentioned in the GTE Format.
 - (ii) Estimated procurement price along with basis for such estimation (International Price, Comparison chart consisting of Purchase order(s) of different reputed institution(s)/organization(s) preferably Govt. organizations or any other available supporting documents) may be provided.
 - (iii) Detailed justification of GTE tender and essentially of import along with list of possible vendors of the items in global market (including India) may be provided.
- 2. All such submitted proposals shall be examined by an Institute Technical Committee (ITC), constituted as under:

(i) Chairman, Central Purchase Committee (CPC) - Chairman
 (ii) Dean (R&D) or nominee - Member
 (iii) Head of the concerned Department/School/Unit - Member
 (iv) Concerned PI/PC (in case of sponsored/consultancy projects) - Member
 (v) External Domain Expert(s) - Member

The Office of Dean (R&D) shall provide administrative and secretarial support to the ITC and for all matters relating to approval of GTE.

3. The ITC shall consider and examine each proposal and recommend the further course of action-whether to proceed directly with GTE or to first domestic availability. The recommendations of the ITC shall be placed before the Director for consideration and decision.

FORMAT FOR GTE

Details of proposed procurement for approval of the Director for invitation of Global Tender Enquiry for procurement of goods with expected value less than Rs. 200 crore.

S.	Par	ticulars	Remarks
No.	Dot	tailed Description of the item	
2		e of the Item	
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3	det pas yea	nether item is procured regularly? If so, ails of procurement of the said item over the t three years (Three completed financial ars and the current financial year) inclusive of uply details as format at APPENDIX-A	
4	1000	antity required to be procured with tification for the quantity	
5	Est for	imated procurement price along with basis such estimation (International Price, mparison chart)	
6	Jus	tification to be submitted as under	
	A	Detailed justification for Global Tender and essentiality of Import (Item wise)	
	В	Who are the (possible) Vendors of the item under procurement, in the global (including India) market?	
7	1	Whether the Institute has tried and floated the tender to identify the domestic suppliers in the past financial year. (If not, the reason thereof)	
	2	Capacity of all domestic local suppliers as per the domestic tender floated, if any	
8		What are technical alternatives available within country and whether they can be used?	
9		Whether the Institute had in the past attempted at development of local suppliers/phased indigenization/promotion of alternative technology having sufficient local suppliers. (If so, details thereof)	
10		Consequences of non-procurement of the item through GTE.	
11		Whether BIS standards are available for the items proposed under procurement. If not, the efforts made to operationalize such standards.	

It is certified that (Strike off whether is not applicable)

- (i) this is a specialized equipment required for research purposes and or spares and consumables for such equipment
- (ii) the above equipment/consumables is not available through (GeM) and other sources
- (iii)the locally available alternatives with equivalent specification are not suitable for research purposes
- (iv)it is neither available in this institute nor in any nearby institution
- (v) it is a propriety item of foreign origin

Countersigned

Signed

(Name & Signature with seal) Head of the Institution/Unit (Name & Signature with Seal) Indenter Details of procurement of the said item over the past three years (Three completed financial years and the current financial year) inclusive of supply details.

Year of contract	Item	Contract no. & date	Supplier	Quantity of supply with unit	Rate per unit	Completion date of contract	Country of origin of goods	Local content in %

(Name & Signature with Seal) Head of the Department/Unit

F. No. 7-13/2018-TS.I(Part-2) Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education Technical Section-I

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 13th June, 2025

To

The Directors, All IITs.

Subject: Special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Departments in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017-regd.

Sir.

In continuation to this ministry's letter of even no. dated 10.06.2025, the undersigned is directed to say that the provisions of DoE O.M. No. F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 05.06.2025 are strictly for scientific equipment and consumables required for research purposes.

2. Therefore, all the IITs are requested to adhere to the provisions in letter and spirit. The concerned officials may be sensitized that these provisions should not be used for other items like furniture, other consumables and office equipment in the institute. Further, the GEM portal should continue to be used, as mandated by Department of Expenditure in their references from time to time.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(Nilesh Chandra Srivasiava)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Ph: 011-23381698

F. No. 7-13/2018-TS.I(Part-2) Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education Technical Section-I

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated : (June, 2025

To

The Directors, All IITs.

Subject: Special provisions for Scientific Ministries/ Departments in General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017-regd.

Sir.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of OM No. F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 05.06.2025 received from Procurement Policy Division, Department of Expenditure on the subject mentioned for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl : As above.

(Nilesh Chandra Srivastava)

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

709, Chandarlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi Dated 05.06.2025.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

Attention is invited towards this Department's OMs of even number dated 20.05.2024 vide which amendments in the GFRs were carried out by this Department for Scientific Ministries/ Departments/ Organisations.

- 2. The above said amendments are applicable only to the following Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations of Government of India:
 - (i) Department of Science and Technology
 - (ii) Department of Biotechnology
 - (iii) Department of Scientific & Industrial Research
 - (iv) Department of Atomic Energy
 - (v) Department of Space
 - (vi) Ministry of Earth Sciences
 - (vii) Defence Research & Development Organization
 - (viii) Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), including its affiliated institutions and Universities;
 - (ix) Department of Health Research (DHR), including Indian Council of Medical Research:
 - (x) Educational and Research Institutes conducting post-graduate/ doctoral level courses or research, under any Ministry/ Department.
- 3. In pursuance of Committee of Secretaries (CoS) recommendations dated 22.04.2025 and in the continuation of the OM of even number dated 20.05.2024, following has been decided with respect to the <u>procurement of scientific equipment and consumables for research purposes</u> by Ministries/ Departments/ Organisations at para 2 above:
 - Vice-Chancellors/ Directors of scientific organisations / academic institutions under Ministries/ Department/ Organisations indicated at para 2 above are permitted to make non-Government e-Marketplace (GeM) procurement of scientific equipment and consumables.
 - ii. The monetary ceilings under Rule 154, 155, 161 & 162 of GFRs, 2017 for procurement of scientific equipment and consumables by the Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations mentioned under para 2 above shall be as follows:

Rule of GFR	Objective	Current limit	Amended limit			
154	Purchase of goods without quotation	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh)	Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakh)			
Purchase of goods by Purchase (Rupees Committee. 10,00,00		Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) and upto Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakh)	one lakh) Rs. 0/- (Rupees (Rupees two lakh) and upto Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees			
162 Limited Tender Up Enquiry (LTE)		Upto Rs. 50 lakh	Upto Rs. 1 crore			
161	Advertised Tender Enquiry	Above Rs. 50 lakh	Above Rs. 1 crore.			

- iii. For procurement of scientific equipment and consumables required only for research purpose by procuring entities mentioned under para 2 above, Vice-Chancellors/ Directors concerned, as the case may be, shall be the competent authority to approve issuance of Global Tender Enquiry (GTEs) upto Rs.200 crore under Rule 161(iv) of GFRs, 2017, where they are satisfied that there is justification for such exemption.
- 4. It is reiterated that these amendments are applicable only for the Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations mentioned at para 2 alone and for the procurement of scientific equipment and consumables for research purpose only. A list of such procurements may be compiled and shared with concerned Administrative Ministry at the end of every Financial Year.
- 5. The Ministries/ Departments/ Organisations indicated under para 2 above may also adhere to the extant instructions issued in this regard vide this department's OM Nos. 13/4/2017-PPD(Pt.) dated 04.05.2018 para 1(b), 20/45/2020 dated 08.01.2021 and 20/42/2021-PPD dated 20.05.2024.
- 6. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Expenditure).

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(Sher Bahadur) Under Secretary (Procurement Policy) Email: sher.bahadur@nic.in

To

Secretaries/ Financial Advisers of all Ministries/ Departments.

F. No. 7-13/2018-TS-I-Part(2)

Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education
Technical Section-I

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated- 4th June, 2024

To.

The Directors, All IITs.

Subject: Implementation of special provisions in amended GFR Rules by the Ministry of Finance.

Sir.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance OM No.F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 20.05.2024 (Copy Enclosed) regarding special provisions in amended GFR Rules for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Nilesh Chandra Srivastava)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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

502, Lok Nayak Bhavan Khan Market, New Delhi Dated 20.05.2024.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

Attention is invited towards this Department's OMs of even numbers dated 01.09.2021, 24.09.2021, 03.12.2021& 08.01.2024 vide which amendments in the GFRs were carried out by this Department based on the inputs collated by NITI Aayog etc. from various scientific Ministries/ Departments, that were impeding smooth functioning. Office of the Principal Scientific Advisor (PSA) has now sent more recommendations for relaxation in the GFRs for ease of procurement.

- 2. In view of all above, in supersession of all above mentioned OMs, amendments in the GFRs are now being made, as indicated in para 3 of this OM. These amendments which will be applicable **only** for to the following Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations of Government of India:
 - (i) Department of Science and Technology
 - (ii) Department of Biotechnology
 - (iii) Department of Scientific & Industrial Research
 - (iv) Department of Atomic Energy
 - (v) Department of Space
 - (vi) Ministry of Earth Sciences
 - (vii) Defence Research & Development Organization
 - (viii) Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), including its affiliated institutions and Universities;
 - (ix) Department of Health Research (DHR), including Indian Council of Medical Research;
 - (x) Educational and Research Institutes conducting post-graduate/ doctoral level courses or research, under any Ministry/ Department.

It is reiterated that these amendments are applicable only for the above Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations.

3. The existing Rules and the amended Rules of the GFRs are as under:

Rule No.	Exi	Existing Rule					Amended GFR					
133(3)	As	an	alternative	to	133(2),	а	As	an	alternative	to	133(2),	а

Rule No.	Existing Rule	Amended GFR
	Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakh and original works of any value to:	Ministry or Department may award repair works estimated to cost above Rupees thirty Lakh and original works of any value to:
	(i) any Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or	(i) any Public sector Undertaking (PSU) set up by the Central or State Government to carry out civil or electrical works or
	(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.	(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.
	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 awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.	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 awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.
		Notes: (i) Scientific Ministries/ Departments/ organizations mentioned in para 2 of this OM can assign repair Works estimated to cost upto Rs.5 crore on nomination basis even in normal cases only to the organizations specified in this sub-rule of the GFRs. (ii) This special provision will be applicable upto 31.03.2025. Thereafter review will be made by Department of Expenditure to decide on further extension of these powers.

Rule Amended GFR **Existing Rule** No. 154 Purchase Goods without Purchase of Goods without quotation quotation Purchase of goods upto the value of Purchase of goods upto the value of Rs.25,000 (Rupees twenty five Rs. 1.00.000/- (Rupees one lakh) only on each occasion may be made thousand) only on each occasion without inviting quotations or bids on may be made without inviting quotations or bids on the basis of a the basis of a certificate to be recorded by the competent authority certificate to be recorded by the competent authority in the following in the following format. format. "I am personally satisfied that these "I,, am personally satisfied that these goods purchased are of the requisite goods purchased are of the requisite quality and specification and have quality and specification and have been purchased from a reliable been purchased from a reliable supplier at a reasonable price" supplier at a reasonable price." Note: These powers can be used for procurement of any item. Further, these powers are to be used only when the required goods are not Government available on Marketplace (GeM) as stipulated in this Department OM No. 6/1/2018-PPD dated 19.01.2018 155 Purchase of goods by purchase Purchase of goods by Purchase committee. committee. Purchase of goods costing above Purchase of goods costing above Rs.25,000/- (Rupees twenty five Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) only) and upto Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees thousand and upto Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees two lakh and ten lakh) on each occasion may be thousand only) made on the recommendations of a on each occasion may be made on the duly constituted Local Purchase recommendations Committee consisting of three of duly Purchase members of an appropriate level as constituted Local decided by the Head of the Committee consisting three of Department. The committee will members of an appropriate level as decided by the survey the market to ascertain the Head of the Department. The committee will reasonableness of rate, quality and survey the market to ascertain the specifications and identify the reasonableness of rate, quality and appropriate supplier. Before recommending placement of the specifications identify and the appropriate Before purchase order, the members of the supplier. recommending placement of the committee will jointly record a purchase order, the members of the certificate as under. committee will jointly record a certificated as under.

Rule No.	Existing Rule	Amended GFR
	"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."	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

- 4. It is also clarified that GFRs are not applicable to the projects executed by State level Institutions or by the Private Universities/Institutions/ Organisations, even if they are funded by Ministries/ Departments/ Organizations listed in para 2 as above. In such cases, it is for the Ministry/ Department/ organization to put in appropriate financial controls to achieve the intended purpose.
- 5. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

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To

Secretaries/ Financial Advisers of all Central Government Ministries/ Departments.