

INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH  
KRISHI BHAVAN: NEW DELHI

F.No. FIN/22/1/2016-CDN(A&A)

Dated the <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> Sept., 2021

ENDORSEMENT

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

Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Expenditure, Public Procurement Division, New Delhi has issued an O.M. No.F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 01.09.2021 on the subject mentioned above.

As approved by the Competent Authority, this O.M. No.F.20/42/2021-PPD dated 01.09.2021 has been posted on the IC AR Web-Site [www.icar.org.in](http://www.icar.org.in) for information, guidance and compliance.



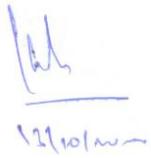
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264-C, North Block, New Delhi.  
24<sup>th</sup> September, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

The undersigned is directed to refer to Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) D.O. No. Secy(DARE) & DG(ICAR)/2021/460 dated 10.09.2021 and to inform that the request of ICAR has been considered by this Department and it has been decided that the provisions of OM No. 20/42/2021-PPD dated 01.09.2021 shall also apply to ICAR (including its affiliated Institutes and Universities).

2. This issues with the approval of Finance Secretary.

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Room No.264C, North Block, New Delhi.  
Dated the 1<sup>st</sup> 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>

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	awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.	<p>awarded only on the basis of lump sum service charge.</p> <p>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.</p>
154	<p><b>Purchase of Goods without quotation</b></p> <p>Purchase of goods upto the value of Rs. <u>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.</p> <p>"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><b>Purchase of Goods without quotation</b></p> <p>Purchase of goods upto the value of Rs. <u>50,000</u> (Rupees fifty thousand) <u>only for common used goods</u> and Rs one lakh for scientific equipments and computers 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.</p> <p>"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>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><b>Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee.</b> 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 Local Purchase</p>	<p><b>Purchase of goods by Purchase Committee.</b> 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 Local Purchase Committee consisting of three members of an appropriate level as</p>

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	<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.