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The General Manager, All Indian Railways/PUs, NF(C), CORE
The DG/RDSO/Lucknow
CAOs, DMW/Patiala, WPO/Patna, COFMOW/NDLS, MCF/RBL, RWP/Patna

Sub: Amendment to the Rule 152 of General Financial Rules, 2017
Ref: Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Procurement Policy Division's OM No. F.26/2/2016-PPD dated 25-07-2017

Ministry of Finance vide OM under reference has substituted the existing provision of Rule 152 at Chapter 6 of General Financial Rules, 2017 which deals with ‘Procurement of Goods and Services’ by the provision as under:

"Rule 152: Enlistment of Indian Agents: Ministries / Departments if they so require, may enlist Indian Agents who desire to quote directly on behalf of their foreign principals."

As the condition of compulsory enlistment has been withdrawn from GFR, Indian Agents be asked to submit self attested documentary evidence about their identity (such as PAN, Aadhar, Passport etc.) and address proof along with their offer.

The copy of OM referred above, is enclosed with the circular for ready reference.

(Vinod Kumar)
Director Railway Stores (M)
Railway Board

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3. All AMs, Advisors & Executive Directors of Railway Board
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Amendment to the Rule 152 of General Financial Rule, 2017 -Reg.

The undersigned is directed to invite attention to the provisions of Rule 152 of GFRs, 2017 which inter-alia states that as per the Compulsory Enlistment Scheme of the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it is compulsory for Indian agents, who desire to quote directly on behalf of their foreign principals, to get themselves enlisted with the Central Purchase Organization (eg. DGS&D). However, such enlistment is not equivalent to registration of suppliers as mentioned under Rule 150.

2. This department has received reference from Directorate General of Supplies & Disposals (DGS&D) to decentralize the activities of enlistment of Indian agent under Compulsory Enlistment Scheme as DGS&D is winding up by 31.10.2017. Hence, it is decided in consultation with major procuring Ministries/Departments that the existing provision of Rule 152 at Chapter 6 of General Financial Rule, 2017 which deals with "Procurement of Goods and Services" shall be substituted by the provision indicated as under:

"Rule 152: Enlistment of Indian Agents: Ministries / Departments if they so require, may enlist Indian agents, who desire to quote directly on behalf of their foreign principals."

3. This OM is also available on our website http://doe.gov.in -> Notification -> Circular -> Procurement Policy OM.

4. Hindi version of this OM will follow.

(Vinayak T. Likhar)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel.No.2462 1305.

To

All Secretaries & Financial Advisers of Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.