GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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New Delhi, dated 16.12.2013

General Managers
DLW, CLW, RCF, ICF, CORE,
Director General / RDSO
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Subject: Public Procurement Policy for goods produced and services rendered by Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) by Central Ministries/Departments/Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs).

Ref: Railway Board's letter No.2010/RS(G)/363/1 dated 5.7.2012 circulating the policy.

In exercise of the powers conferred on it in Section 11 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Act 2006, the Central Government, by Order, notified the Public Procurement Policy in respect of procurement of goods and services, produced and provided by micro and small enterprises, by its Ministries, Departments and Public Sector Undertakings. Vide reference above, the policy was circulated for implementation by Board to all Railway units.

In order that the required information as desired by the MSE policy is effectively tapped, all vendor approving/registering units were directed to immediately seek the information from their vendors regarding their MSE status (including being owned by SC/ST) and incorporate in their vendor database. However, various latest vendor directories do not incorporate this information.

It may be noted that procurement of goods from small scale industries (now being termed as MSEs) has been approximately 6 % since last many years and it has remained same even in year 2012-13 i.e. even after issue of the policy.

Therefore, you must launch special drive to collect this data and incorporate in the vendor database, and also indicate the MSE status in your vendor directory so that it is available to procuring agencies for calculating the value of order placement on MSEs.

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