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Chief Executive Officer

DO No. 236/CEO-GeM/2020

3rd December, 2020.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Kindly refer to my DO letter No. 214/CEO-GeM/2020 dated 10th November, 2020 and No.225/CEO-GeM/2020 dated 18th November, 2020 listing the major features and functionalities introduced in GeM in recent months and outlining details of revamping of existing services and creation of new services. Copies of the DO letters are enclosed for ready reference.

2. GeM had initially introduced a functionality of Custom Bid for CPSEs, Defence and Railways for estimated order value exceeding INR 50 lakhs.

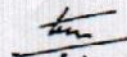
3. I wish to inform you that GeM has now opened up the functionality of "Custom Bid" to all buyers across all Central and State Government Organisations for order value exceeding INR 5 lakhs. There may not be any need, therefore, to step outside GeM for procurement of goods and services under ordinary circumstances.

4. The functionality of "custom bid" is described again for ready reference:

Implementation of the Unified Procurement System in which the next version of GeM, viz., GeM 4.0 is being anchored: In accordance with OM dated 23/1/2020 issued by the Department of Expenditure, all Central Government buyers will be required to obtain a "GeM Availability Report and Past Transaction Summary" to take informed procurement decisions. GeM will prompt buyers to publish a "custom bid" on GeM itself for estimated order value exceeding INR 5 lakhs if a good or service that a buyer is looking for is not on the platform. If a buyer decides to publish the bid outside GeM on the Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP), the corresponding ID of GeM Availability Report will be required as a mandatory input before publishing of a bid can be allowed. This ID will be validated in real time with GeM. After validation, a copy of the published tender will be returned to GeM for analysis. The integration of GeM with CPPP is live. The functionality of "custom bid" went live on October 7, 2020. The feature of "custom bid" will be in operation until all categories of products and services required by diverse buyers are made available on GeM. This feature will provide a single user experience to buyers under the Unified Procurement System mentioned in para 48 of the budget speech for FY 2020-21. This will also enable vendors to respond to bids for goods and services from GeM with the resultant advantages of better price discovery, economies of scale and dissemination of best practices.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


3/12/2020
(Talleen Kumar)

To all Secretaries to Government of India.