



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Stores Purchase Department – Amendment to Para 8.27 of Stores Purchase Manual 2013 - Orders Issued.

STORES PURCHASE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(P)No.10/2023/SPD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 11-12-2023.

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- Read :-
1. G.O(P)No. 3/2013/SPD dated 21.06.2013.
 2. G.O(Rt)No. 5382/2020/Fin dated 18.09.2020.
 3. G.O(P)No. 3/2021/SPD dated 22.03.2021.
 4. G.O(P)No.4/2021/SPD dated 31.03.2021.
 5. G.O(Rt)No. 8284/2021/Fin dated 20.12.2021.
 6. G.O(P)No. 1/2022/SPD dated 22.04.2022.

ORDER

The Stores Purchase Manual had been revised as per the Government Order read as 1st above and the same has been published in the official website www.spd.kerala.gov.in.

2. Government adopted the benefit of Public Procurement Policy for self reliance to MSMEs and PSUs in the State as per Government Order read as second paper above. Aforesaid policy consisted of Price Preference and Purchase Preferences to products procured from Local MSMEs and State PSUs and came into force superseding all previous orders issued on procurement from MSMEs within the State. On the basis of this new Public Procurement Policy, Stores Purchase Manual was amended as per the Government Order read as 4th paper above, incorporating the new policy.

3. But it is seen that as per para 8.27 of Stores Purchase Manual which was amended as per Government Order read as 3rd paper above, all MSMEs with Udyog Aadhar Registration or any other body specified by the Ministry of MSME and working within the State of Kerala are exempted from the payment of tender fee, Earnest Money Deposit and Performance Security.

4. Now it has come to the notice of Government that with regard to the benefits offered to MSMEs, ambiguity is seen as to whether exemption from Performance Security is still in force since the new Public Procurement Policy of the State came in

to existence and whether the benefits offered as per the new policy is limited to MSMEs with Udyam registration that are working within the State of Kerala or the same is applicable to MSMEs with Udyam registration countrywide.

5. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to amend Para 8.27 of Stores Purchase Manual in tune with Government Order read as 4th above which was issued based on the New Public Procurement Policy of the State. Government hereby give clarification that the benefit of exemption from the payment of Performance Security to MSMEs is no longer in force and the other benefits as per the new Public Procurement Policy will be limited only to the MSMEs which are working within the State.

In the circumstances, Para 8.27 of Stores Purchase Manual is amended as follows:

Para No.	Existing Provisions in the Revised Stores Purchase Manual	Amendment
8.27	All the MSMEs with Udyog Aadhar Registration or any other body specified by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises working within the State of Kerala will be exempted from payment of tender fee, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and performance security.	All the MSMEs with Udyog Aadhar Registration or any other body specified by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises working within the State of Kerala will be exempted from payment of Tender Fee and Earnest Money Deposit.

6. The Stores Purchase Manual 2013 is amended to that extent.

(By order of the Governor)

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