Government of Himachal Pradesh Finance (Regulations) Department

No. Fin (C) A (3) 5/2004 Dated Shimla-171002, the 12th February, 2020

NOTIFICATION

In partial modification of this Department notification of even No. dated 19/7/2019, the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is further pleased to order the amendments in Rule-94 and Rule- 94 A of the HP Financial Rules, 2009, in the following manner:-

Rule-94 Rate of Contract

The Controller of Stores shall conclude rate contracts with the registered suppliers for such goods, which are not adequately available on GeM and are indentified as common use items and are needed on recurring basis by various State Government Procurement Entities. The Controller of Stores shall furnish and update all the relevant details of the rate contracts on its website and the Procurement Entity shall follow those rate contracts to the maximum extent possible.

Note:-

The items for which Rate Contract has been finalized by the Controller of Stores (list of which will be given on the departmental website) shall be purchased through Rate Contract. However, the Procurement Entity i.e. Government offices of H.P. State Departments, Boards/Corporation etc. may also check the availability of items on the GeM Portal and if the rates on GeM Portal are found lower than the rates as notified in the rate contract, the Procurement Entity may purchase the items from GeM Portal. The rate contract will be for the guidance of Indenting Officer and it will be open to them to purchase the items either from GeM Portal or rate contract keeping in view the rates, quality and specifications of items and further if such

items are also not available on GeM/Rate Contract, then such items may be purchased after observing conditions mentioned under Rule-101 to 104 of HPFR, 2009.

Rule-94-A: Purchase of Goods through Government e-Market place(GeM)

The Procurement Entity will procure items from Government-e-Market Place (GeM) for which there is no rate contract from the Controller of Stores. For procurement of goods/items from the GeM, the General Terms & Conditions issued by the Government of India for purchase of Goods and Services in Government e-Market Place (GeM) from time to time shall be followed. The procuring authorities will certify the reasonability of rates through the purchase committee constituted by them. The Procurement of Goods and Services by Ministries or Departments will be mandatory for Goods or Services available on GeM. The GeM portal shall be utilized by the Government buyers for direct on-line purchases as under:

- (i) Up to Rs. 25,000 through any of the available suppliers on the GeM meeting the requisite quality specification and delivery period.
- (ii) Above Rs. 25,000 and up to Rs. 5,00,000 through GeM seller having lowest price amongst the available sellers (excluding Automobiles where current limit of 30 lakh will continue) of at least three different manufacturers on GeM, meeting the requisite quality, specification and delivery period. The tools for online bidding and online reverse auction available on GeM can be used by the Buyers even for procurements less than Rs. 5,00,000.
- (iii) Above Rs.5,00,000 through the supplier having lowest price

meeting the requisite quality specification and delivery period after mandatorily obtaining bids, using online bidding or reverse auction tool provided on GeM (excluding Automobiles where current limit of 30 lakh will continue.

Note: There is no change in clause (iv) to (viii)

The above amendments shall come into force with immediate effect.

By Order

Principal Secretary (Finance) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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- 1. All Administrative Secretaries to the Government of H.P.
- 2. All Divisional Commissioners in H.P.
- 3. All Heads of Department in H.P.
- 4. All Deputy Commissioners in H.P.
- 5. The Resident Commissioners in H.P.
- 6. The Accountant General (Audit), H.P. Shimla-3.
- 7. The Senior Deputy Accountant General (A&E), H.P Shimla-3.
- 8. The Registrar, H.P High Court, Shimla.
- 9. All District and Session Judges in H.P.

10. All Distt. Treasury Officers /Treasury officers in H.P.

Under Secretary (Finance) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.