GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAYS BOARD)

No. 2017/EnHM/25/11 **New Delhi, Dated 01.04.2021**

The Chief Motive Power Engineer,
South Western Railway,
Hubli.

Sub: Clarification regarding relaxation of eligibility criteria for Startups for service tenders costing ≤ 50 lakhs.

Ref: CMPE/SWR's letter no. SWR/M/R/12/Running Room dated 17.02.2021. (Copy enclosed)

EnHM Dte. vide letter no. 2017/EnHM/25/11 dated 07.11.20219 had conveyed the applicability of para 2 of Board's letter no. 2012/CE-I/CT/O/5 dated 24.04.2019 in respect of Service Contracts. (Copies enclosed)

Also vide letter no. 2018/Trans. Cell/Mech/Service Contract dated 17.12.2018, "PHODs were given powers to frame and approve special conditions of contract on service in consultation with Associate Finances."

This empowers all ZRs to adopt conditions in variance to GCC for Services which was considered sufficient. However, if need be, matter may be discussed with PCMEs by AM/EnHM in regular meetings with ZRs.

DA: As above (05 pages)

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Copy to: **All GMs/IR.**

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Ref: 1. Railway Board letter no. 2012/CE-I/CT/O/5 dt. 24.04.2019
2. Railway Board letter no. 2017/EnHM/25/11 dt 07.11.2019
3. Railway Board letter no. 2012/CE-I/CT/O/5 dt. 01.06.2020

As per GCC for works, no technical and financial eligibility criteria are prescribed fot tenders less than 50 lakhs. However technical and financial eligibility criteria are prescribed in GCC for services-2018 even for the tenders upto 50 lakhs.

Vide referred letters, guidelines for relaxation of eligibility have been advised for works as well as services above Rs. 50 lakhs for Startups.

As such presently no relaxation is available for the Startups in the Service contract tenders upto 50 lakhs. Kindly examine and advise suitably.

17.2.21

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Government of India
Ministry of Railways
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No.2017/EnHM/25/11 **New Delhi, dated 07.11.2019**

The General Managers
All Zonal Railways
DG/RDSO,NAIR
CAOs, DMW/Patiala, COFMOW, RWP, IROAF
Director-CTIs

Sub: Relaxation of eligibility criteria for Startups (recognized by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce & Industry) in Service Tenders

It has been decided that the instructions regarding relaxation in eligibility criteria for Startup Firms, contained in Para 2 of Board's letter no. 2012/CE-I/CT/O/5 dated 24.04.2019 will also apply to Contracts for Services.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

(Sheela Verma)
Director/EnHM
Railway Board

No.2017/EnHM/25/11 **New Delhi, dated .11.2019**

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For Financial Commissioner/Railways

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(रेलवे बोर्ड) **(Railway Board)**

No. 2012/CE-I/CT/O/5 New Delhi, dated 24.04.2019

To,
As per list attached

Sub:- Relaxation of eligibility criteria for Startups (recognized by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry)' in Works tenders.

Ref.:- Railway Board's letter No. 2007/CE-I/CT/18 Pt.XII dated 31.12.2010.

General Conditions of Contract (GCC) provides for technical & financial eligibility criteria only for tenders above Rs 50 lakh.

2. The issue of further relaxation of eligibility criteria for works tenders for 'Startups' (recognized by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry) has been examined in Board's office, and Board (ME & FC) have approved as under:

"The technical and financial eligibility criteria mentioned in GCC shall normally apply to all firms including 'Startup' firms (recognized by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry). However, before inviting tender, General Manager, on the recommendation of PHOD/CHOD of the department inviting the tender and associate finance, can relax the applicability of eligibility criteria to 'Startup' firms (recognized by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry) on case to case basis."

3. This issues with concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

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