Policy Letter No. RB/CE-I/6 /2006

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**
**MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**
**(RAILWAY BOARD)**

**No. 94/CE-I/CT/4** **New Delhi, dated 23.11.2006.**

**AS PER LIST ATTACHED.**

**Subject**:- Clarification regarding minimum technical eligibility criterion in Works Tenders.

**Reference**:- (i)Railway Board's letter No. 94/CE-I/CT/4 dated 17.10.2002
(ii)Railway Board's letter No. 94/CE-I/CT/4 dated 4.6.2003.
(iii)Railway Board's letter No. 94/CE-I/CT/4 dated 21.6.2006.

Minimum technical eligibility criterion for open tenders costing more than Rs. 10 lakhs had been stipulated vide Item 2 of clause 2.3.4.1 of the letter referred at (i) above. It was subsequently modified vide letter referred at (ii) above. Now **in supersession of the letter referred at (iii) above**, following clarifications are issued in regard to interpretation of the minimum technical eligibility criterion

(i) Similar nature of work physically completed within the **qualifying period**, i.e. the last 3 financial years and current financial year (even though the work might have commenced before the qualifying period) should **only** be considered in evaluating the eligibility criteria.

(ii) The total value of similar nature of work completed during the qualifying period and not the payments received within qualifying period alone, should be considered.

In case, the final bill of similar nature of work has not been passed and final measurements have not been recorded, the paid amount including statutory deduction is to be considered. If final measurements have been recorded and work has been completed with negative variation, then also the paid amount including statutory deduction is to be considered.

However, if final measurements have been recorded and work has been completed with positive variation but variation has not been sanctioned, original agreement value or last sanctioned agreement value whichever is lower should be considered for judging eligibility.

(iii) In the case of composite works involving combination of different works, even separate completed works of required value should be considered while evaluating the eligibility criteria.
For example, in a tender for bridge work where similar nature of work has been defined as bridge work with pile foundation and PSC superstructure, a tenderer, who has completed one bridge work with pile foundation of value at least equal to 35% of the tender value and also has completed one bridge work with PSC superstructure of value at least equal to 35% of the tender value, should be considered as having fulfilled the eligibility criterion of having completed single similar nature of work.

(iv) Similar nature of works should be clearly defined by the PHODs on open line and nominated Chief Engineer/CSTE/CEE on construction organization of the Zonal Railways and it should be strictly followed and the same should be indicated in the NIT/Tender document also. In case of any deviation/modification in the list of similar nature of works, prior approval of competent authority should be obtained.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate.

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