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Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Industries

Dated: Shimla-171001

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From:

Controller of Stores,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

To

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of H.P., Shimla-171002
2. All the Heads of the Departments Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. All the Managing Directors/ Secretaries of the Boards & Corporations, Himachal Pradesh.

Subject:

Regarding procurement of items through GeM portal.

Madam/Sir,

Your kind attention is invited towards the letter No. Ind/SP/Misc/F/6-10/4/80-Vol-V dated 20.08.2018 issued by Principal Secretary(Industries) to the Government of H.P. on the subject cited above vide which the necessary directions for procurement of Goods through GeM Portal were issued.

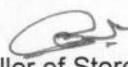
In this regard, it is submitted that the Government of Himachal Pradesh has already signed the Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) with the Government e-Marketplace (GeM), Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India on 26.12.2017, to facilitate online procurement of common use Goods & services required by State Government Departments /Organisations/PSUs etc. The Government of H.P. has opened the State Pool Account No.37550778047 dated 20.02.2018 on GeM with the State Bank of India, Branch, Chotta Shimla-171002 after signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 15.02.2018. The Heads of the Departments/Corporations/Boards etc. of the State Government have already been requested vide this office letter of even No. dated 06.03.2018 to open the sub-accounts/link accounts under the State GeM Pooling account with the State Bank of India enabling them to procure goods & services through GeM.

In pursuance of the directions given by the Commerce Secretary, Government of India, New Delhi-110011 vide D.O. No. 67/CEO-GEM/2018 dated 20.08.2018 addressed to the Chief Secretary, Government of H.P, a Video Conference regarding organizing of six week Nation-wide Mission on GeM w.e.f. 4th September, to 15th October, 2018 was held on 28.08.2018 at H.P. Secretariat, Shimla-171002. In view of the performance report presented by GeM in the above Conference, the State wise performance in respect of availing of GeM services by the offices of State Government was found un-satisfactory as compared to other States. Therefore, it has been observed that the H.P. Government Departments/Offices are not following the instructions/guidelines for procurement of Goods & services for the offices

from GeM Portal, as the volume of goods purchased is very little and also there is very meager registration of secondary users i.e. buying authorities on GeM. It has also come to my notice that most of the Departments/ Corporations/Boards etc. are not procuring the common use items from the GeM Portal or rate contracts issued by the Controller of Stores, H.P., and instead they are making their purchases through out sourcing level which is purely violation of Financial Rules/Store Purchase Rule.

You are, therefore, requested to issue necessary directions to your subordinate offices for adhering to the provisions contained in the Notification No. Fin(c) A(3) 5/2004 dated 19.07.2017 issued by the Finance Department to the Government of H.P., amendments thereof carried out in the Store Purchase Rules/Guidelines vide letter No. Ind-II(F)2-4/98-III-Loose dated 11.10.2017 and purchase the stores/items through GeM to ensure that the stores are purchased in a transparent manner and on competitive rates. It must also be ensured that specifications are finalized for each item in such a way that competitive rates are obtained or that the specifications are not unnecessarily restrictive. **It is further added that any violation of the above rules shall be view seriously and matter will be reported to the Government for further action as per rules.** If any difficulty for registering the Department/office on GeM Portal and also in procurement of goods through GeM Portal is faced, you are most welcome to get in touch with the office of Controller of Stores, H.P.

Yours faithfully,

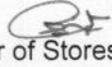

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The Principal Secretary (Industries) to the Government of H.P. for kind information please.


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