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Sub: Clarifications to Circular No. 51/2022 dated 17.10.2022 on consideration of Single Offer in Open/Limited Tenders

In connection with the subject circular pertaining to Consideration of Single Offer in Open/Limited Tenders, based on queries raised by various Work Centres, following points are clarified:

- 1. In case after Price Bid opening only one TA/CA offer is left, the approving authority for negotiation shall be L-I executive as prescribed in IMMM para 14.2.2 for all cases falling under the power of L-I or below level. For cases, falling under the powers of Director and EPC, approval of concerned Director may be sought and not of L-I as mentioned in last paragraph of IMMM para 14.2.2.
- 2. In case only one offer is received against the tender or techno commercial evaluation ends up with only one TA/CA offer, TC will be constituted at I/C-F&A, I/C-MM and L-2 Level Officer from Indenting Section and not as per para 10.3.1 (ix) of IMM Manual.
- 3. A single offer situation shall get triggered only if a single bid is received against the tender or after techno-commercial evaluation, CPA approves the rejection of other offer(s). Only after single offer situation gets triggered, the TC shall need to be re-constituted at appropriate level depending upon new CPA as per Circular No. 51/2022.

For example, in case only one offer is received in TBO itself, CPA/level of TC as per Circular No. 51/2022 shall be applicable for all actions after TBO. In case more than one offer received in TBO, but after techno -commercial evaluation only one TA/CA offer is left, the powers of CPA/ level of TC as per Circular No. 51/2022 shall be applicable only after approval of original CPA leading to single offer situation.

4. Provisions stipulated in Circular No. 51/2022 are applicable to GeM tenders too. However, TC shall be applicable only where GeM provisions necessitates submission of recommendations through TC for approval by CPA.

- 5. Provisions as per Circular No. 51/2022 shall be applicable at the overall tender level as a whole and not on the basis of offers received Group-wise or Category-wise.
- 6. Confirmation of conditions as per (i), (ii), (iii) of Para 14.1.8 of IMMM by TC shall be required at the time of approval for placement of Order.
- 7. Cancellation / re-invitation of tenders for reasons other than due to withdrawal of demand shall require approval of competent authority (not below L-1) as per original CPA and not the CPA determined in terms of Circular No. 51/2022.

The cancellation of tender to the extent demand is withdrawn shall require approval of original CPA in terms of IMMM para 14.3.1 (a).

Above guidelines/Clarifications should be meticulously followed by all concerned.

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