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Sub: Opening of multiple price bids submitted by a bidder.

During the investigation of a case, following observation have been brought out by vigilance:

In a tender, the earlier version of a price bid of a bidder 'X' got clicked and was opened. Due to this, another bidder 'Y' became L-1. However within few minutes, while reviewing the price bid screen, it was noticed by the dealing officer that the latest version of bidder 'X' had not been opened. Immediately the latest version of price bid submitted by bidder 'X' was opened and was found L-1.

In this context, reference is invited to para 27.13.1 of IMMM manual, which reads as under:

The duly completed bid with no system error message can be "submitted" in e-procurement portal any time before the submission deadline is reached. The bidder shall also be permitted to make changes in his bid and re-submit the same in e-procurement portal till the submission dead line. The final submitted version of bid only shall be considered by ONGC.

As ONGC e-tender portal shows date and time of attachment, all concerned are advised to ensure that latest version of bid shall only be considered.

Above guidelines should be meticulously followed by all concerned.

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