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To,

The Directors of National Labs./Institutes

Subject: Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) – Prior Approval by the Directors/Heads of Units of CSIR Headquarters - Clarification

Madam/ Sir,

Department of Expenditure (DOE)/ Ministry of Finance (MoF) has issued Guidelines on the above subject vide OM No F.20/45/2020-PPD dated 8th January 2021 which was forwarded by CSIR letter of even number dated 14.01.2021. Subsequently, DOE has issued a revised consolidated guideline on the subject vide OM dated 3rd August 2021. The powers of the Directors in this regard, as conveyed vide latter dated 14.01.2021, however, remains unchanged.

2. Queries are, however, being received from the Labs./Institutes as to whether it is mandatory to float OTE to ascertain non-availability of Indian manufacturers before the Competent Authority accords prior approval for floating GTE. In this regard kind attention is invited to the OM dated 8th January, 2021 which is a special provision for Educational and Research Institutes. In Para #3 *ibid* it has been stated that the Ministries/ Departments are free to evolve procedure for evaluation of such cases for issuance of GTEs. **Broad guidelines** adapted from the DO letter of PSA will serve as **broad guidance** for devising the procedure for evaluation of such GTE cases.

3. Further, Cls 2(i) of the Annexure thereto states that **market assessment** should be done to ascertain that no Indian manufacturer is available. It doesn't prescribe any methodology for such market assessment and leaves it to the discretion/ satisfaction of the Head of the Institution. The Heads of the Institutions may, therefore, devise their own methods and satisfy themselves with regard to the non-availability of Indian manufacturers for the items under consideration before according approval.

4. This issues with the concurrence of FA and approval of DG, CSIR.

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Controller of Stores & Purchase