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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Government e Marketplace (GeM) continues to evolve as the national public procurement platform with the objective of enhancing transparency and efficiency in Government procurement. In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that two important functionalities: Rate Contract and Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) have recently been launched on the GeM portal. Both these features have been widely requested by Government buyers.

2. The Rate Contract functionality enables Government organizations to establish long-term procurement arrangements for commonly used goods at pre-discovered competitive rates. The process involves specialized RC Buyers who conduct price discovery through "RC Bids" to secure the lowest rates from technically qualified sellers. Once finalized, these contracts are published as brand-neutral catalogs accessible to buyers in the organization. This feature is expected to streamline repetitive procurements, ensure price stability, and reduce procurement cycle time while maintaining transparency and compliance with extant procurement rules.

3. GeM has also introduced the Global Tender Enquiry (GTE) module, enabling procurement beyond India's geographical boundaries in cases where participation from international suppliers is required, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the General Financial Rules. The system supports multi-currency bidding and participation from global sellers.

4. Both these functionalities have been developed to further strengthen procurement efficiency and expand the range of procurements available to Government buyers on the GeM portal. Ministries/Departments and their attached organizations are therefore encouraged to actively utilize these features for their procurement requirements, wherever applicable.

5. I request that necessary directions may kindly be issued to the concerned divisions and organizations under your Ministry/Department to make optimal use of these newly introduced functionalities on the GeM portal.

6. Buyer organizations may also reach out to their designated GeM Nodal Officers for any support or training requirements related to the use of these features.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

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To,
Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments.