

**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY**  
(Abstract)

CVO, Chief Secretariat – e-Procurement - Implementation of e-Payment in the e-Procurement portal of U.T. of Puducherry – Order issued.

**CONFIDENTIAL AND CABINET DEPARTMENT**  
**CHIEF VIGILANCE OFFICE**

G.O. Ms. No. 1

Puducherry, the 13/1/2015

READ: i) G.O Ms. No.1 dt.21/2/2013 of the Chief Vigilance Office, Puducherry.

ii) G.O. Ms. No.3 dt. 24/10/2013 of the Chief Vigilance Office, Puducherry.

ii) Minutes of the meeting held with the representatives of various banks by the Core Committee(e-Procurement) held in the e-Procurement Cell, Chief Secretariat on 12/11/2014.

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**ORDER:**

In the G.O. 1<sup>st</sup> read above, e-Procurement has been made mandatory for tendering of goods, works and services costing Rs.10 lakhs & above through the Government e-Procurement portal of U.T of Puducherry viz. <https://pudutenders.gov.in>, complying the guidelines of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce(Supply Division), New Delhi, which is monitoring and funding this Mission Mode Project(MMP) under National e-Governance Plan(NeGP). In the G.O. 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, orders were issued reducing the threshold limit of e-Tendering from Rs.10 lakhs & above to Rs.5 lakhs & above, in order to scale up the volume of procurement through e-Tendering mode.

2. At present, payment towards tender fee and Earnest Money Deposit(E.M.D) are collected from bidders through Demand Drafts by the Tendering Department. The scanned copy of the Demand Drafts are uploaded by the bidders in the e-Tendering portal and the original Demand Drafts are sent to the tendering Departments before tender closing date. The tender fee is non-refundable and credited to Government account. After award of contract to the successful bidder(L1), the E.M.D of other bidders are returned and the EMD of successful bidder (L1) alone is retained till the completion of contract.

3. In order to ensure complete confidentiality and anonymity in tendering process and to simplify the payment/refund procedure, payment towards E.M.D and tender fee shall be collected online by integrating the e-Procurement portal of this U.T with the payment gateway of **State Bank of India**, Puducherry. For this purpose common pooling accounts shall be opened for the portal. The details of the bidder is kept confidential by ensuring that the payment is kept in the pooling account till the bid submission end date.

  
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The Departmental user cannot access the pooling account. The money from the pooling account is transferred to the Department account after the bid submission end date & time. Online Net Banking/Internet Banking are available to those bidders who are customers/having an account with State Bank of India. Those bidders who do not have an account with the bank shall make payment through NEFT / RTGS mode from the bank in which they are having account. The amount of E.M.D of all unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded automatically to the bidder's account by the e-Procurement system after award of contract to the successful bidder.

4. The National Informatics Centre, shall customize the e-Procurement software to enable this provision, in consultation with the State Bank of India. Training on e-Payment procedure shall be conducted by the National Informatics Centre after successful integration.

/ By order of the Lt. Governor /

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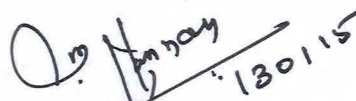
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/ Forwarded by Order /

  
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