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DO. No. 84/DCEO-GeM-AKS/2025

09<sup>th</sup> June, 2025

*Respected Sir,*

**Subject: Compliance with GFR Rule 149 for Procurement of Goods/Services through GeM**

An analysis of bids floated by **Delhi University** for the FY 24-25 were analyzed by GeM and it has come to notice that a significant portion of the mentioned goods and services (78 bids), for which Bids have been published outside GeM, could have potentially been procured through the GeM Portal. (Refer attached excel sheet).

As per Rule 149 of the General Financial Rules (GFR), it is mandatory for all government ministries/departments/CPSEs/autonomous bodies to procure goods and services available on GeM exclusively through the marketplace-based categories available on GeM. This ensures compliance with the rules and maximizes the benefits offered by GeM, such as transparency, competitiveness, and enhanced bidder participation. The use of alternative platforms for procuring services already available on GeM not only contravenes GFR Rule 149 but also limits participation opportunities for registered bidders under the relevant service categories on GeM. Consequently, this may lead to missed opportunities for obtaining competitive rates and better value for public expenditure.

In this context, it is requested to kindly issue suitable instructions to all buyers under **Delhi University** to procure goods & service through GeM in accordance with GFR Rule 149. Your intervention is requested in ensuring that procurement activities for goods/services available on GeM are carried out under the appropriate marketplace categories of goods/services available on GeM and thereby promoting fair participation by utilizing GeM platform to leverage its wide pool of registered bidders.

Your cooperation in reinforcing adherence to these guidelines will significantly contribute to ensuring competitive and transparent procurement processes, benefiting all stakeholders.

*With Kind Regards,*

Your sincerely,

*Ashish*  
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### **Sub: Compliance with GFR Rules 149 for Procurement of Goods/Services through GeM-req.**

In compliance to an e-mail dated 16.06.2025 received from the Finance Officer, University of Delhi forwarding therewith a copy of letter bearing DO No.84/DCEO-GeM-AKS/2025 dated 9th June, 2025 of Mr. Ashish Kumar Saxena, Deputy CEO, Government of India, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government e Marketplace, New Delhi addressed to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi on the subject matter for information and necessary compliance.

The Government e-Marketplace (GeM), Ministry of Commerce & Industry has analyzed the bids floated by various Maintained Institutions of University of Delhi as well as bids of University of Delhi for the FY 2024-25 and observed that a significant portion of the mentioned goods and services, for which Bids have been published outside GeM, could have potentially been procured through the GeM Portal and requested to procure goods & service through GeM in accordance with GFR Rules 149.

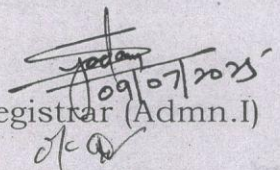
The Ministry of Commerce & Industry emphasize the provision of the General Financial (GFR) rule 149 under which it is mandatory for all government ministries/departments/CPSEs/autonomous bodies to procure goods and services available on GeM exclusively through the marketplace-based categories available on GeM. This ensures compliance with the rules and maximizes the benefits offered by GeM, such as transparency, competitiveness, and enhanced bidder participation. The use of alternative platforms for procuring services already available on GeM not only contravenes GFR Rule 149 but also limits participation opportunities for registered bidders under the relevant service categories on GeM. Consequently, this may lead to missed opportunities for obtaining competitive rates and better value for public expenditure.

  
27/07/2025



Therefore, all stakeholders are advised to ensure strictly compliance of the Instructions outlined in the said letter and it is advised that all procurement activities for goods/services available on GeM are strictly carried out under the appropriate marketplace categories of goods/services as per Rule 149 of the General Financial Rules (GFR). The responsibility for any non-compliance will lie with the Individual officer/Indentor who initiate the procurement. Therefore, an extreme **CAUTION** must be exercised before generating recommendation for procurement outside of the GeM Portal.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

  
Assistant Registrar (Admn.I)

To

All HoDs/Sectional Head, VPCI

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