



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Stores Purchase Department - Procurement of vehicles in Government Departments/Offices/Public Sector Undertakings/Autonomous Bodies/Local Bodies etc. through GeM, on proprietary basis - Government Order Modified - Orders Issued.

### STORES PURCHASE (B) DEPARTMENT

GO. (Rt) No. 31/2019/SPD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 14.07.2019

- Read:-
1. G.O (Rt) No. 67/2017/SPD Dated, 25.11.2017
  2. G.O (P) No. 02/2018/SPD Dated, 28.04.2018
  3. G.O (Rt) No. 01/2019/SPD Dated, 02.01.2019

### ORDER

The conditions for purchase of vehicles through GeM was issued by Government vide Government Order read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above and this conditions were incorporated under para 19.4 of the existing Stores Purchase Manual as per GO read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above .

2. Government, as per the above GO's directed Government Departments/Offices/Public Sector Undertakings/Autonomous Bodies/Local Bodies etc, that in cases of purchase of three or more vehicles at a time, the purchasing entity shall make purchases following Single Tender System envisaged in Stores Purchase Manual, after ascertaining that the Special Government Price (SGP) is lesser than the price quoted in GeM. The same has been incorporated in the GO read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper also. The above GO was later modified as per GO read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above, permitting the purchasing entities to effect purchase of vehicles other than proprietary basis up to Rs. 1 Crore through GeM irrespective of their numbers, following the General Conditions of GeM.

3. Government of India has now introduced Special Conditions for the purchase of Automobiles through GeM. One of the conditions is that the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) shall ensure that the prices offered on GeM by them for a particular model is the lowest and no supply shall be made to any buyer, Government or private, at a price lower than or equal to that of GeM. In cases of violation of this condition, GeM administration will review for removal of the model from GeM, including other actions as stipulated in general terms and conditions of GeM

4. The above condition is causing difficulties to the purchasing officers across the State to effect purchases of more than two vehicles through GeM on proprietary basis, as it is impossible for them to get a Special Government Price lower than the GeM price, since Original Equipment Manufacturers are bound to offer their lowest price in GeM.



5. In the circumstances, in order to facilitate purchases of vehicles through GeM on proprietary basis, Government have decided to substitute the conditions under para 3 (i) & (ii) in the GO read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above, with the following conditions and order so;

- i) For purchases of vehicles on proprietary basis through GeM, a valid Administrative Sanction at appropriate level, specifying the mode of purchase and the model/brand to be purchased, is to be issued.
- ii) As purchase based on proprietary basis should be resorted to only in unavoidable situations, the purchasing entity will ensure that the vehicles to be purchased are of proprietary character and competition is not expected to be advantageous. (as per para 7.20 (i) of Stores Purchase Manual). A certificate from the competent authority [not below the rank of Assistant Executive Engineer, (Mechanical)] at Government Level, warranting the need for proprietary vehicle purchase, should be obtained and verified before issuing Administrative Sanction, for the purchase.

Concurrence of Finance Department should be obtained before issuing Administrative Sanction.

6. The GO read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above stands modified to this effect. Necessary amendments in this regard will be made in the Stores Purchase Manual in due course.

**By Order of the Governor**

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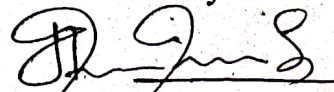
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