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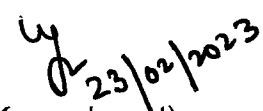
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**Office Memorandum**

**Subject: Amendment to Rule 144(xi) of the General Financial Rules (GFRs), 2017.**

Rule 144 of the GFRs, 2017 titled 'Fundamental principles of public buying,' had been amended by inserting sub-rule (xi) vide Department of Expenditure (DoE) OM No. F.6/18/2019-PPD dated 23.07.2020. It has now been decided to amend the Rule 144(xi) as under:

*Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, Department of Expenditure may, by order in writing, impose restrictions, including prior registration and/ or screening, on procurement from bidders from, or bidders having commercial arrangements with an entity from, a country or countries, or a class of countries, on grounds of defence of India, or matters directly or indirectly related thereto including national security; no procurement shall be made in violation of such restrictions.*

  
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