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## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Withdrawal of offer by L-1: Amendment to Manual for Procurement of Goods, 2017 and Manual for Procurement of Works, 2019.

It has been decided to partially amend para 7.5.11(i)(f) of the Manual for Procurement of Goods, 2017 and para 5.6.8(i)(f) of the Manual for Procurement of Works, 2019 as under:

## **Existing Para**

If the bidder, whose bid has been found to be the lowest evaluated bid withdraws or whose bid has been accepted, fails to sign the procurement contract as may be required, or fails to provide the security as may be required for the performance of the contract or otherwise withdraws from the procurement process, the Procuring Entity shall cancel the procurement process. Provided that the Procuring Entity, on being satisfied that it is not a case of cartelization and the integrity of the procurement process has been maintained, may, for cogent reasons to be recorded in writing, offer the next successful bidder an opportunity to match the financial bid of the first successful bidder, and if the offer is accepted, award the contract to the next successful bidder at the price bid of the first successful bidder.

## **Amended Para**

If the bidder, whose bid has been found to be the lowest evaluated bid withdraws or whose bid has been accepted, fails to sign the procurement contract as may be required, or fails to provide the security as may be required for the performance of the contract or otherwise withdraws from the procurement process, the Procuring Entity shall <u>re-tender the case.</u>

2. This OM is also available on website of Department of Expenditure; www.doe.gov.in -> Notification -> Circular --> Procurement Policy OM. Hindi version of this OM will follow.

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