

EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

Office of the
Principal Chief Materials Manager
Hajipur, Bihar, 844101

Stores Instruction No: 124 dated 23.09.2024

**All Stores Officers,
E. C. Railway**

Sub: Publication and advertisement of tenders/corrigendum
Ref: i) Railway Board's L/No: 2014/RS(G)/779/12 dated 03.12.2014
ii) Railway Board's L/No: 2014/RS(G)/779/12 dated 21.02.2018
iii) Railway Board's L/No: 2014/RS(G)/779/12 dated 27.08.2019
iv) Railway Board's L/No: 2024/RS(G)/779/7 (E3471089) dated 13.08.2024

In light of recent guidelines issued by Railway Board regarding publication and advertisement of tenders, following consolidated instructions are hereby issued for implementation in all purchase offices/sections:

1. Tenders with tender value above Rs. 25 Lakh shall normally be processed through Advertised Tender/Open Tender in IREPS. However, as per the Railway Board's letters under ref (iv), advertisement in the newspaper shall be done for tender value above Rs. 50 Lakh only. For such tenders, opening date will be kept minimum 21 days from the date of publication of tender in the IREPS website.
2. Corrigendum of tenders shall be published in the IREPS website only within minimum 7 days of closing of tender. In case short dated corrigendum is to be issued within less than 7 days of closing of tender, approval of one level higher than the TAA shall be taken based on merit of the case. Corrigendum are not required to published in the newspaper.
3. To have wider participation and competition, tenders below Rs. 25 Lakh can be processed through Open Tender mode also in IREPS. For such tenders, opening date can be kept less than 21 days as per the merit of the case with minimum period of 7 days. Advertisement in newspaper shall not be done for such tenders.
In exceptional cases, tenders may be opened in less than 7 days also with the approval of JAG Officer or above and such tenders shall be dealt as Limited Tenders.
4. In case of emergency, Special Limited Tender for tender value above Rs. 25 Lakh may also be floated through IREPS with opening date less than 21 days as per extant powers given in SOP. Advertisements in newspapers are not needed for such cases and opening time for these cases may be given as per merit of the case.
5. This shall not be applicable to procurement done through GeM and terms and conditions of GeM may be followed.

This is issued with the approval of PCMM/ECR/HJP.

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