

महालेखाकार का कार्यालय (लेखा एवं हकदारी), ओड़ीशा, पुरी शाखा, पुरी
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A&E) ODISHA,
PURI BRANCH, PURI-752003

CIRCULAR

No. WM- 47-Allegation-505

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Government of Odisha vide Works Department OM No-10147 dt. 31.08.2015 amended the provisions of para 3.5.9 of OPWD Code Vol-I. According to this amendment, tender should invariably be invited publicly for all works estimated to cost above Rs. 5.00 lakh except in cases of additional works or items of work to be undertaken as a part of a work for which public tender has already been invited or for other exceptional reasons. Note(1) below para 3.5.9 also provided that works estimated upto Rs. 5.00 lakh may be given out with or without invitation of open tenders at the discretion of the Divisional Officers to the best advantage of the Government.

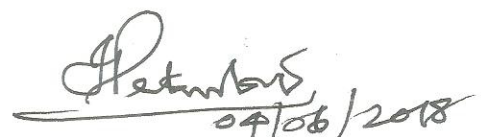
Earlier, Divisional Officers were allowed vide works Deptt. OM No.3776 dt. 01.03.2006 to authorise sub-divisional Officers to invite tenders for works costing up to Rs. 50,000/- in order to reduce the burden on Division Office. As the money value of works requiring compulsory tender process was raised from Rs. 50,000/- to Rs. 5.00 lakh through the amendment of para 3.5.9 of OPWD Code Vol-I as stated above, Executive Engineers of various PW Divisions authorised sub-divisional officers to invite tenders for works costing upto Rs, 5.00 lakh by drawing parallel to the above amendment with OM No.3776 dt. 01.03.2006.

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However, the Works Deptt., vide its letter No. 13637 dt. 14.09.2017, in reply to a RTI query, has stated that the amendment to codal provision under para 3.5.9 of OPWD Code Vol-I does not authorize S.D.Os to invite tenders upto Rs. 5.00 lakh.

In view of the above clarification, it is impressed upon all the DAOs/DAs to ensure that Sub Divisional officers of P.W. Divisions are not authorised / allowed to invite tenders for works costing more than Rs. 50,000/- anymore.

Any deviation in this regard, will be viewed seriously.


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To

All DAOs/DAs
of P.W. Division of Odisha