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दिनांक/Dated31/08/2018

Dear Shri Punit Kumar,

Reference your D.O. No.3/12/2014-FB-III dated 7th August, 2018 seeking clarity on advertising of Tender Notices in Newspapers under GFR, 2017.

An advisory was issued by BOC (formerly DAVP) in the light of Deptt. of Expenditure's O.M. No.F.1/8/2018-PPD dated 8th March, 2018 and the new GFR, 2017. This advisory has been **reviewed** by the Deptt. of Expenditure in the light of Rule 161(i) and Rule 161 (iii) of GFR, 2017. The Deptt. has **clarified** that though compulsory publishing of the Tender Notices in Newspapers has been dispensed with, Administrative Ministries/Deptt. are free to decide on the advertisement of tender notices **in Newspapers based on the merit of the case**. As per provisions of Rule 161(i), GFR, 2017, subject to some exceptions, advertisements are to be mandatorily placed on the CPPP and GeM. Besides, an organization having its own website should also publish all its advertised Tender Enquiries on its website. Further Rule 161 (iii) also states that "The advertisement for invitation of tenders should also give the complete web address from where the bidding documents can be downloaded."

In view of the above clarification from the Deptt. of Expenditure, the advisory quoted in your letter has already been withdrawn by BOC. BOC now releases such advertisements on the request of concerned Administrative Ministries/Departments.

Your's faithfully,

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