

Government of India
Directorate General of Works
Central Public Works Department

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No. DGW/CON/16

New Delhi, dated 28.4.88.

MEMORANDUM

Sub: Price preference to the Contractors belonging to SC/ST
for award of Contracts in respect of CPWD works.

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In continuation of the Office Memo No. CE/CON/841, dated 28.2.88, a copy of Office Memorandum No. 28012/38783-W3, dated 3.3.88 from the Ministry of Urban Development on the above subject is sent herewith for information and guidance.

Encl: As on reverse.

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(S.S. SETHI)
F.O. to DG(Works).

-Issued from file No. 15/2/81-AAC(DGW)

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To

1. All CEs/SEs in CPWD (including Hort. Directorate, Delhi Admn. and A.P.)
2. All EEs/In CPWD (including Hort. Directorate, Delhi Admn. and A.P.)
3. F.O. to DGG(BV), Deptt. of Telecom., 6th Floor, Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi-1.
4. CE(Civil) Construction Wing, AIR Sanchar Bhavan, N. Delhi.
5. SE-in-Charge, AIIMS, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi.
6. Engineer Member, EDA, Vikas Nagar, New Delhi.
7. Director of Audit, CWM, New Delhi.
8. Municipal En. Inscr., Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Town Hall, New Delhi.
9. Chief Electrical Examiner, CWC, New Delhi (3 copies).
10. Chief Engineer, Ministry of Development, CPWD, Bhutan.
11. Asst. Secy. Cell, Ministry of Urban Development.
12. Director of Accounts, Works Audit Section Directorate of Accounts, P. W. D., Govt.
13. Chief Engineer (Irrigation and Flood), Delhi Admn., ISBT Bldg., Delhi.

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14. Director, Light House and Light Ship, Ministry of Shipping and Transport, East Block, R.K.Puram, New Delhi.
15. The Joint Secretary, Govt. of Pondicherry, PWD Secy., Pondicherry.
16. The Chief Engineer & Administrator, Andaman & Lakshadweep, Harbour Works, Port Blair.
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20. Engineer-in-Chief, Army Headquarter, Kashmir House, New Delhi.
21. Chief Engineer, NPMO, New Delhi.
22. CWB and Security Section, Central Office, New Delhi.
23. C.C.L., Ministry of Urban Development.

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No.28012/38/83 - W3
Government of India
Directorate General of Works
Central Public Works Department
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New Delhi, dated 3.3.88.

To

Director General of Works,
Central Public Works Department,
New Delhi.

Subject: Price preference to the Contractors belonging to SC/ST for award of contracts in respect of CPWD works.

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Sir,

I am directed to refer to your I.D. No.15/2/81-AdC(DGW) dated 10.2.1988, on the subject cited above and to convey the approval of the Government to the continuance of the concessions available to the contractors belonging to SC/ST communicated vide this Ministry's O.M. of even No. dated the 7th July, 1983 (copy enclosed) for another period of two years upto 31.12.89 on the same terms and conditions. These concessions were last extended upto 31.12.87 vide this Ministry's O.M. of even number dated 12.2.88.

2. The position will be reviewed three months before the expiry of the period of extension.

3. This is in conformity with the concurrence of the Finance Division (M&U unit) vide their I.D.No.755/Dir.(F) dated 24.2.88.

Yours faithfully,

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(S.C. GUPTA)
Section Officer(Spl.)

Copy to:-

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING
NIRMAL
(WORKS DIVISION)
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28012/38/83-W.1

New Delhi, dated the 7.7.83.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

SUBJECT: Price preference to the contractors belonging to SC/ST for award of contracts in respect of C.P.W.D. works.

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The undersigned is directed to say that the Committee on Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (6th Lok Sabha) in its 29th Report has, inter alia, made the following recommendations:

"The Committee note that works in the C.P.W.D. are normally awarded on work orders upto Rs. 1 lakh in Construction Division and Rs. 1.5 lakhs in Maintenance Divisions of the CPWD and no preference is given to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe contractors in this regard. The Committee feel that, other things being equal, preference should be given to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe contractors for the award of such contracts.

The Committee also feel that petty contracts upto a value of Rs. 10,000/- should only be allotted to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes persons on nomination basis and if necessary, the value may be increased accordingly".

(Recommendation No. 31 para No. 1, 7.)

2. The above recommendations have been carefully considered by the Government. According to part 1 and 2 of Sec. 13 of C.P.W.D. Manual, Vol. II, tender should be called for the work costing more than Rs. 500/-. System of tendering is the instrument by which works could be executed in accordance with the tender awarding to the best time quality of work etc. It has, therefore, not been found possible to dispense with the provisions of the Manual in favour of the S.C. and S.T. contractors.

3. However, in order to provide certain concessions to the persons belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes contractors, Government has decided to call for the tender mentioned price preference in favour of the contractors of these communities in the award of contracts in respect of C.P.W.D. works:-

(1) For contracts upto the value of Rs. 10,000/-

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a price preference upto 5% may be allowed in favour of individual SC/ST contractors. In such cases tenders may be obtained even from non-registered contractors without deposit of earnest money.

(iii) For contracts ranging from Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 50,000/- tenders may be obtained only from registered contractors. The price preference upto 5% may be allotted in favour of individual S.C./S.T. contractors. However, earnest money at a reduced rate of 1% may be accepted in such cases.

(iii) In all such cases, the above concessions shall be allowed only after proper verification of the individual contractor's claim of belonging to S.C./S.T. community, as the case may be.

(iv) The position will be reviewed after a year of implementation of the above decisions.

This issue with the concurrence of the Finance Division vide their U.O.No. 2336-W&E/D.1(a)/83 dated 4.7.1983.

SC/-
(A.K. GOSWAMI)
SECTION OFFICER(GPL.)

To

1. Director General (Works), CPWD.
2. All the Chief Engineer, CPWD.
3. Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Works & Housing.
4. All Pay and Accounts Officers in CPWD.
5. Chief Engineers of Public Works Department in all the Union Territories.
6. Ministry of Home Affairs.
7. Finance Division (W&E)
8. All Desk Officers in Works Division.
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