

**BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED**  
**(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ENTERPRISE)**  
**O/O CGM BSNL TAMILNADU CIRCLE CHENNAI – 600 002**

To

IFAs/CAOs of all SSAs,

BSNL Tamilnadu Circle

No.PLG/Tender Corr/2012-2013 /19    dated at Chennai                      22-09-2012

Sub: Points to be noted while accepting Single Tender cases-reg

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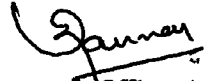
Kindly refer to Corporate Office BSNL New Delhi letter no 6-15/2000-EB /Part III dated 08/04/2005 wherein clarification was given regarding acceptance of Single Tender cases . (Copy enclosed for reference)

In addition to the above, the following points may also be seen before accepting Single Tender cases.

- (i) Last year accepted rate may be compared for the similar work and specification etc., of the current year to assess if the tendered rate is reasonable
- (ii) Rates accepted by nearby SSAs for the similar type of work/ specification may be compared with that of current year to assess if the tendered rate is reasonable

The above instructions have been issued with the concurrence of GM (Finance) Circle Office, Chennai and to be followed strictly.

Encl: as above

  
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Dated: April 8<sup>th</sup> 2005.

To

All Chief General Managers  
Telecom Circles/Metro Districts  
Maintenance Regions/Project Circles  
Other Administrative Units

**Subject: Clarification regarding acceptance of Single Tender Cases.**

A letter was issued by MM Cell vide 51-1/04-MMC/696 dated 11.10.04(annex. I) whereby it was clarified that a similar case related to procurement of Switching equipment by Punjab Telecom Circle through open tender, in which only one bidder was found techno commercially responsive was examined at HQ level. Instructions were issued with the concurrence of Member (Finance), Telecom Commission vide letter no. 380-09/2000-TPS (Inst) dated 5.5.2000(annex. II) that "A limited or single response to an open tender will not be viewed as a case of single tender".

2. Meanwhile, 'WS' Cell had issued instructions vide letter of even number dated 10.2.2005(annex. III) whereby it was mentioned that delegated financial powers under item no. 17.3- "Award of work by accepting single tender where open tenders have been called for and only one tender was received" should be exercised by invariably following Rule 441-C of P&T Manual Volume II.

3. Due to above two diverse instructions on the same issue, there was confusion in field units on issue of manner for deciding Single Tender cases and some references have been received in this regard.

The issue was brought before the Management Committee, which has approved that:

- Single tender cases should be decided as per the MM Cell instructions issued vide letter no. 51-1/04-MMC/696 dated 11.10.04(annex. I) which clarifies that "A limited or single response to an open tender will not be viewed as a case of single tender", subject to condition that the competent authority will approve the tender with the concurrence of his IFA after satisfying himself/herself that the Tender Evaluation Committee has recommended the case after verifying the following conditions:

- (a) Wide publicity was given for the subject tender
- (b) Tender specifications are generic in nature
- (c) Qualified bidder meets all the tender specifications, terms and condition
- (d) Rates are reasonable
- (e) All the guidelines/policies regarding procurement of telecom equipment and stores in BSNL are observed.

In all such cases approval of single tender will be reported to the next higher authority for information.

This letter supersedes our earlier letter of even no. dated 10.2.2005. All the field units are requested to follow the above instructions strictly for deciding the single tender cases.

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