

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

NO. PWD 140 SO/FC 2003

Karnataka Government Secretariat,
Vidhana Soudha
Bangalore 1st September 2003.**CIRCULAR****Sub** : Procedure for sale of tender documents.

1. The Notice Inviting Tenders (NITs) issued by the Tender Inviting Authorities (TIAs) specify:
 - (i) the time and date (period being usually two to seven days) up to which the applications for request of tender Documents will be received;
 - (ii) the time and date (usually one to three days) when the tender documents would be sold to those who have submitted the applications earlier;
 - (iii) the time and date up to which the tenders would be received as well as the time and date on which the tenders would be opened (usually 7 to 8 days after the sale of tender documents).
2. The above procedure is being adopted to enable The TIAs to know the number of copies of the Tender document to be prepared and provide adequate time for the preparation of the requisite number of documents.
3. The procedure in vogue is against the spirit of the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements (KTPP) Rules 2000 – Rule 17 and should be discontinued. The tender documents should be made available for entire period provided for the submission of tenders as per KTPP Rule 17. For this purpose the TIAs shall prepare adequate number of copies of tender documents before the publication of NIT and sell the document as per instructions contained in KTPP Rule 13 from the date of publication of the NIT up to the pre-declared time on the working day previous to the day fixed for submission of tenders (either original or extended).
4. The Above Instructions shall apply to all Procurement Entities as defined in Section 2 (d) Chapter I of the KTPP Act (1999).
5. Procurement Entities shall ensure that the above instructions are followed scrupulously. It may be noted that any violation of the KTPP Act 1999 and KTPP Rules 2000 attracts the penal provision under Section 23 of the said Act.

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