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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Various field units in CPWD and the Central Stores Circle have expressed difficulties in procurement of CTD bars. The matter is still under consideration in this Directorate. However, to tide over the present difficulties in procurement of steel, the following guidelines may be observed for procurement of CTD bars till further orders:

1. Open tenders/quotations will be called from the main producers as well as secondary producers having valid ISI licence, through Press Notice, f.o.r. Destination. The tenders/quotations may be invited for small quantities in a continuous manner to maintain regular flow of steel to meet the requirement without storing large quantities.
2. The decision regarding placing order may be taken as follows:

**(A) When the CTD bars are not on DGS&D Rate Contract:**

- i) If the rate quoted by a main producer happens to be the lowest, the order may be placed on main producer. According to the present delegation of powers, order on main producer does not amount to local purchase.
- ii) If the rates quoted by secondary producer or re-roller are the lowest, the purchase preference shall be given to Central Public Sector Enterprises as per Ministry of Industry, Govt. Of India Order No.DPE/13/19/91-Fin dated 31.10.97 circulated vide this Directorate Office Memorandum No. DGW/CON/121 dated 18.5.98, if the conditions laid down in the order are satisfied, otherwise the order shall be placed on secondary producer. A suitable clause shall be inserted in the open advertisement for this purchase preference as per the above Office Memo.
- iii) No advance payment shall be made. The payment shall be made after receiving steel and after getting satisfactory test results as per IS requirements. A reasonable time frame for getting the tests done shall be indicated in the tender itself.

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- iv) As per the present delegation of powers, the procurement of steel from sources other than main producers shall be governed by the laid down powers for local purchase of steel.

**(B) When DGS&D Rate Contract for CTD bars exists:**

The decision regarding placing order may be taken as under:

- i) Steps A (i) and A (ii) shall be followed as indicated above. In addition, it shall be ensured that the rates are lower than the existing DGS&D R. C. rates.
- ii) In case rates are at par or higher than DGS&D R. C. rate, the steel shall be procured through DGS&D R. C..

Situation may arise when an order placed on DGS&D Rate Contract (which happens to be lower than prevailing market rates) is not fulfilled by the firm, due to one reason or the other. In such a case, the matter should be reported to DGS&D and the steel may be procured from open market.

The procurement of steel on local purchase basis shall be governed by the laid down powers for local purchase of stores borne on DGS&D Rate Contract.

3. Apart from CTD bars, TMT bars may also be used on works in accordance with circulars No. CDO/SE(D)/G-291 dated 11.11.96 (Technical Circular No.1 of 1996-97) and CDO/SE(D)/G-291/06 Dated 24.1.97 (Addendum to Technical circular No.1 of 1996-97). These bars are being manufactured by SAIL, RINL & TISCO. The item pertaining to use of TMT bars is already included in DSR'97 and specifications for their use have been issued vide this Directorate No. SE/S&S/SPEC-96/554-794 dated 23.6.98 separately as 'Correction Slip No.6- Addendum to CPWD Specifications 1996 Vol.-II Under SH: V. R.C.C. Work'. Adequate precautions shall be taken to avoid inter-mixing of TMT bars with CTD bars.

TMT bars can be stipulated in tenders for new works. For on-going works contractual implications shall be analysed properly and Govt interest guarded effectively while taking a decision to use TMT bars.

This issues with the approval of DG(W), C.P.W.D.



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