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Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Deptt. Of Defence Research & Development
DRDO Bhawan
New Delhi – 110 011
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To

The Chairman
Defence Research & Development Organization
Ministry of Defence
New Delhi – 110011

Sub: Amendment- I in Procurement Manual-2020

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Procurement Manual – 2020 (PM-2020) as issued vide Govt. of India, Ministry of Defence letter no. DRDO/DFMM/PM/0000120/M/801/D(R&D) dated 23 Oct 2020 and to convey the sanction of the President of India for substituting the existing provisions contained in Para 7.2.3(c) of PM-2020 with the following:

For other Firms: Any dispute, disagreement or question arising out of or relating to the Contract or relating to product or performance, which cannot be settled amicably, shall be resolved by arbitration in accordance with either of the following provisions:

“The case of arbitration may be referred to arbitrator / arbitrators appointed as per section 11 of Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended and the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with procedure of Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended.”

Or

“The case of arbitration may be referred to International Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ICADR) for the appointment of arbitrator and proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with procedure of Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended.”

Or

"The case of arbitration may be conducted in accordance with the rules of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce by one or more arbitrators appointed in accordance with the said rules in India. However, the arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in India under Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 as amended."

- 2) All other contents of the ibid letter dated 23 Oct 2020 and Procurement Manual 2020 shall remain unchanged.
- 3) This issue with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance) vide their vide their Dy. No. 533/MoD/Fin (R&D) dated 05 Oct. 2021.

Harsha
12/10/2021

(Harsha Rani)
Under secretary to Govt. of India

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