

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
FINANCE (ESTABLISHMENT-B) DEPARTMENT
2ND FLOOR, BLOCK 'F', DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6**

**ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
NOTIFICATION**

No. ECF/354164/72

Dated Dispur, 11-07-2025

Subject: Compliance with Procurement Guidelines for Medical Equipments purchased by Departments

It has been observed that certain procuring entities are purchasing equipment with high-end specifications, resulting in unnecessary expenditure. Therefore, with reference to the earlier notification ECF/No.327623 dated January 8, 2024, and in compliance with the Assam Public Procurement Rules, 2020, the following directives are issued to ensure cost-effective procurement:

1. The Technical Committee previously constituted to formulate specifications for equipment procurement in Medical Colleges & Hospitals, by any department, is hereby discontinued.
2. The most economical model which serves the need of the institution and service to be delivered to must be chosen from the GeM portal along with turnkey works required. The Comprehensive Maintenance Cost (CMC) for equipment are to be done through GeM portal. The specifications for the required equipment should be chosen from GeM portal only which match with the need of the Medical College Hospital/ Institute and then only procurement is to be done/ bid to be floated so that the most economical price can be discovered through GeM
3. Any ongoing procurements that do not comply with these instructions must be immediately canceled, and fresh bids should be floated in alignment with the aforementioned provisions, if necessary.
4. Exceptional Cases: For any exceptional case of procurement where equipment with higher specifications are sought, a speaking order will be passed by a committee consisting of the Senior-most Secretary of the Department and the Two Senior-most officials of the concerned medical college/ procuring entity after due approval of HCM.

This notification is applicable for all relevant departments and agencies, including the Assam Medical Services Corporation Limited (AMSCL), National Health Mission (NHM), and Externally Aided Projects (EAPs) under the Medical Education & Research Department and Health & Family Welfare Department. For EAPs, this notification is applicable unless there is an explicit restriction on GeM portal usage within the loan

agreement, or if usage is limited by a specific financial threshold.

In cases where GeM portal procurement is restricted or capped under the terms of an EAP loan agreement, specifications should still be set to ensure that the most economical model is selected, including turnkey and CMC services.

Guidelines, Office Memorandum, and instructions issued by the Government of India from time to time regarding the procurement of medical equipment/devices may supersede the provisions of this notification wherever applicable.

This notification will come into force with immediate effect.

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Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
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- P.S. to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, Dispur - for kind information.
- All relevant departments and agencies for compliance.

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