

Annexure

The salient features of the DOT's policy for PPP-MII are as given below:

- i. Notification is applicable for all Central Schemes (CS), Central Sector Schemes (CSS), for which procurement is to be made by State and local body, if that project is to be funded fully/partially by GOI including USOF projects.
- ii. List of the 36 telecom products, services and works (Table A) has been notified for the purchase preference from local suppliers that have sufficient local capacity and local competition. The conditions for the input to be qualified as local content and maximum ceiling for design are given in the Table B and Table C respectively of the said notification. Format for self-certification for local vendor is provided as Form-1.
- iii. Products, services or work given in Table A should comply with latest TEC GR/IR, if such GR/IR are issued. For compliance of GR/IR or national standards, certification from Indian bodies TEC/TSEC, STQC, BIS or any accredited lab by them is a mandatory requirement for bidders.
- iv. Prior experience clause should not be too restrictive to exclude the local supplier of local products. The procuring entity should not specify to bidder to mandatorily qualify any foreign eligibility specifications or certifications issued by any foreign testing/security lab(s).
- v. In case a complaint is received by the procuring entity or the concerned Ministry/Department against the claim of a bidder regarding local content in telecom products, services or works or in case of a question whether an item being procured is a telecom product, service or work to be covered under the notification or any doubt in respect of telecom products, services or works, reference shall be made to Telecommunications Engineering Centre (TEC), or technical auditor as accredited by the TEC. The following Committee has been constituted for handling complaints and independent verification of self-declarations and auditor's/accountant's certificates on random basis:
 1. DDG(TC), TEC, New Delhi -Chairperson
 2. Director (Technical), C-DOT - Member
 3. Any other member(s) as co-opted by the chairperson - Member
 4. DG, TEPC - Member
 5. Director (Finance), DoT - Member
 6. Director, TEC - Convener
- vi. The Committee should dispose of the complaint within 4 weeks, as far as possible, from the date of receipt of complaint along with all necessary documentation in support of Local Content claimed by the bidder.
- vii. A minimum complaint fee of ₹ 2 Lakh or 1% of the value of the locally supplied telecom products, services or works being procured (subject to a maximum of ₹ 5 Lakh),

whichever is higher, to be paid by Demand Draft or online, and to be deposited with TEC or with any other third party testing laboratories or technical auditors accredited by TEC.

- viii. Procedure for payment and calculation/verification/ refund of fee has to be notified by TEC.
- ix. A committee in DoT has been constituted to monitor the implementation, vetting the restrictive and discriminating terms and conditions against domestic manufacturers. The committee consists of the following members:
 1. JS (T) - Chairperson
 2. DDG (IC) – Vice Chairperson
 3. One representative of TEC
 4. One representative of C-DOT
 5. Director (IP) – Member Secretary