

Bhaskar Narang
Director General &
former Principal ED(RS), Railway Board, MoR
No: IRILMM/Seminar-140/2025-26

Dated: Thursday, 08 January 2026

Sub: 2-days Seminar on 12th & 13th March 2026 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on
“Overview of GFR & Public Procurement through GeM (With Latest Amendments)”

Dear Sir/Madam,

IRILMM is a body of serving and retired professionals of Railway's Material Management and Public Procurement cadre and imparting training to the Govt. officials and officers of PSUs on the emerging Topics related to Materials Management and procurement procedures as per the latest guidelines of Ministry of Finance, MSME, DPIIT and other authorities.

The physical training programs had been impacted due to COVID 19 related pandemic. Keeping in view the great value of physical interactions and learning, we had recommenced the physical programs, with requisite precautions. Our last programs were held in May, July, September & March (2022-23); May, July, October, January, & March (2023-24); June, August, November, & March (2024-25); and May, July & December 2025 with a huge success, with great feedback and appreciation from participants. There have been requests for repetition for benefit of many who missed the program. The proposed Seminar is to fulfil this requirement for topical knowledge for GFR & GeM for Public Procurement with latest updates.

During last few years Government has made many innovative changes in policy with a view achieve multiple objectives and enhancing efficient projects deliveries. There has been increased focus in procurement policies to ensure efficient delivery and accrual of benefits, effective Financial Management, transparency, enhancements of e-processes including on Government e-Marketplace (GeM), e-payments, Make in India Policy, Restrictions on GTE's and participation in public tenders by the entities of neighbouring countries sharing land borders, provision of Insurance Surety Bonds, Procurement Manual 2022/2024/2025, Model Tender Documents, debarment of bidders, General Instructions, Proportionality in performance security, 'Vivad se Vishwas', Arbitration etc. Some of these have substantially impacted the provisions in the GFR 2017 and call for compliance. These changes are important and a Public Procurement Professional must be aware of the same with deeper understanding. Most of these are planned to be covered in the seminar.

This seminar will be beneficial for all critical stakeholders. It will help develop knowledge and ability for efficient procurement with clear understanding and complying with the latest provisions in General Financial Rules (GFR), Procurement Manuals and also understand and effectively use latest developments on GeM. For faster learning, it is important to interact, share and understand difficulties faced and solutions discovered in procurement related issues by others similarly placed officials. This seminar will provide ample opportunity for the same. The participant will also understand the mission and objectives of Govt. of India to move forward towards development of MSME sector, domestic manufacturing and ease of doing business in government with relevant GFR & GeM updates. The subject will help improve the delivery with improved system productivity & compliance. Other details are given in the enclosed Brochure.

IRILMM charges a Non-residential program fee of Rs. 14,000/- + GST @ 18% (GSTN – 07AAATI0439F1Z0) per delegate for 2-days seminar. A discount of 5% will be given for two nominations and 10% for three or more nominations from the same organisation. The seats are limited and nominations will be accepted on first come first served basis on receipt of payment. Please send nominations from your organisation at the earliest.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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