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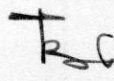
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**MES MANUAL ON CONTRACTS 2007**  
**(REPRINT-2012) CHAPTER ON E-TENDERING**

1. Reference Chapter on e-tendering issued vide this HQ letter No. 66546/P-36/91/E8 dated 19 Jul 2016 and amendment issued vide this HQ letter No. 66546/Manual/594/E8 dated 29 Sep 2016.
2. Certain formations have raised query regarding applicability of Section 3.5.5.2 of MES Manual on Contract 2007 (Reprint-2012) to tenders called through e-tendering process.
3. The Chapter on e-tendering only explains the details of e-tender process vis-à-vis the physical tendering process. The Chapter of e-tendering does not give details as to how to qualify a contractor during 'T' bid evaluation. Thus obviously these details prescribed in Chapter 3.5 of Manual on Contract 2007 (Reprint-2012) shall hold good for qualifying contractors in e-tendering process also. The sufficient number of applicants mentioned as 7 (Seven) in Para 3.5.5.2 (a) shall imply that in single stage two cover system of e-tendering, the target should be to qualify 7 (seven) bidders in 'T' bid evaluation by considering eligible class, one class below, two class below as per instructions in Para 3.5.5.2.
4. This has the approval of DGW.
5. Please acknowledge

  
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