



भारत सरकार Government of India  
रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways  
(रेलवे बोर्ड) (Railway Board)

No. 2019/CE-I/CT/5

New Delhi, dated 12.12.2019

To,

General Managers  
All Indian Railways/PUs, NF Railway (Con.), CORE &

DG/RDSO

CAOs, DMW/Patiala, WPO/Patna, COFMOW/NDLS and RWP/Bela

**Sub: Consultancy Contracts – Modification in the Powers of  
CAOs/Construction**

Ref: Railway Board's letters No. 2017/Trans/01/Policy, dated 08.11.2017 &  
27.11.2017

1. Railway Board vide above referred letters had issued instructions for engagement of consultants.
2. In partial modification to above referred letters, it has been decided by Board (ME & FC) to increase the power of CAOs/Construction for acceptance of consultancy tenders from Rs 50 lakh per case with annual ceiling of Rs 5 crore to **Rs 5 crore per case with annual ceiling of Rs 25 crore.**
3. It has further been decided by Board (ME & FC) that all IITs, IIMs, IISc/Bengaluru, NITs, School of Planning and Architecture/Delhi, JJ College of Architecture/Mumbai shall be exempt from deposition of Earnest Money (EMD) and Security Deposit (SD) for award of work to them.

*Prem Sagar*  
12.12.19

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