

No.F.20/34/2021-PPD  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
Procurement Policy Division

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264-C, North Block,  
New Delhi dated the 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject : Restrictions under Rule 144(xi) of General Financial Rules (GFRs),  
2017 - request for clarification.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM No. 6/18/2019-PPD dated 23.07.2020 regarding Rule 144(xi) of GFRs 2017 on the subject of procurement from bidders from the countries sharing land border with India. In this reference, the undersigned is further directed to refer Para (A) at page no.9/12 of Annex-II of Order dated 23.07.2020 which provides the Special Cases – "Till 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, procurement of medical supplies directly related to containment of the Covid-19 pandemic shall be exempt from the provision of this order".

2. It has been decided to extend the above Para (A) of Special Cases till 31.10.2021.

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To

1. All Secretaries, Government of India.
2. Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises with a request to reiterate these orders in respect of Public Enterprises.
3. All Chief Secretaries, State Governments.