About Central Public Procurement Portal

National Informatics Centre (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, in close association with the Procurement Policy Division, Ministry of Finance, has developed, hosted and implemented the Central Public Procurement Portal customized to cater to the electronic procurement/ tendering requirements of the Central Government Departments and other organizations.

The primary objective of the portal is to provide a single point access to the information on procurements made across various Ministries and the line Departments.

The CPP Portal is accessible at the URL https://eprocure.gov.in and it has e-publishing and e-procurement modules.

It is mandatory for all Ministries/ Departments of the Central Government, Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) and Autonomous bodies to publish all their tender enquiries issued on or after the following dates, on the CPP Portal :

a. In the case of Ministries / Departments and their attached
   and subordinate offices w.e.f. 1st January 2012 ;
b. In the case of CPSEs w.e.f. 1st February 2012 ;
c. In the case of Autonomous / Statutory Bodies w.e.f. 1st April 2012.

The system is made available as a platform and can easily be adopted for all kinds of procurement such as Goods, Services & Works. It aims at transparency and non-discrimination amongst bidders, by allowing free access to tender documents, clarifications, secure on line bid submission and access to bid opening event to all, from any place on 24X7 basis, using the system through Internet, in a faster, and secure environment adopting industry standard open technologies.

Variety of procurement requirements of varied procuring entities has been built in a robust configurable, workflow based manner. This can be configured for use by an organization at its apex level, and at multiple subordinate levels, at which tenders could independently be floated.

Strong in-built security features including two-factor Authentication with Digital Signature Certificates (DSCs) for foreign nationals also as per IT Act, Usage of SSL, Role- based User Access and Bid-encryption at Client end, using PKI technologies.

Various salient points addressed by this portal include:

- Platform for publication of tender and bid award details by Central and State Government Ministries, Departments and Organizations, PSUs and PSBs
- Free Access to tender documents for all
- Facility to publish NIT through on-line form,
- Facility to publish tender documents, to add corrigendum with document
- Facility to publish bid award details along with contract document

- In public domain, no registration required for access/viewing by public
- Email / SMS alerts at various milestones.
- Toll Free Help Line facility for all.
- Categorised according to types of tenders, product categories, types of Organisations and Organisation name.
- Archived tenders are available in public domain
- Search facility available using parameters like keywords, location, value, organization name, organization type, tender type, and product categories

Major goals and guiding objectives of CPPP

- The prime objective is to educate, encourage/ incentivize and thus facilitate Government Departments at all levels, through appropriate steps and interventions from Central Government level, to readily adopt and use the Central Public Procurement Portal to bring in transparency in tendering process and gradually move towards adoption of electronic Procurement solution(s) for their procurement needs on a continuing basis.
- Act as catalyst in streamlining the procurement processes of public/ Government sector with the help of ICT tools and technologies, enabling them to harness the multidimensional benefits of eProcurement/ eTendering pertaining to: efficient and costeffective procurement, shortened procurement cycles, full transparency in the whole
- process, avoidance of human discretion/ interference to the extent possible, easy availability of complete audit trail and evidential data etc.
- Enable access to widest reach of tenders and unhindered secured bid submission facility for all, from any corner of the country.