GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

No.<u>13681</u>/F, Dated <u>19.04.2018</u>

FIN-CODES-RULE-0005-2015

Sub: Exemption of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and concessional payment of Performance Security in Public procurement for all local Startups.

All local MSEs as defined in MSE Procurement Policy are exempt from paying Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and allowed concessional payment of performance security in terms of FD OM No. 21926/F dated 12.8.2015.

- 2. Since all local startups are similar to MSEs and face challenges to development and growth, Government have been pleased to exempt the local Startups as defined under para-7(vi) and certified by Nodal Agency in para-7(v) of the Odisha Startup Policy-2016 from deposit of Earnest Money, while participating in tenders of Government Departments and agencies under its control. If selected through bidding process, the aforementioned local startups would be required to make payment of 25%of the performance security prescribed, if any, to ensure due performance of the contact.
- 3. These instructions shall be deemed to be part of the Supplementary guidelines for procurement of goods issued vide FD OM no. 13290/F dated 2.4.2013 and also form part of the Odisha General Financial Rules.

By order of the Governor

Sd/Principal Secretary to Government