GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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OFFICE ORDER

The Delegation of Financial Power Rule (DFPR), 1978 has been amended vide FDOM No 27047/F Dated 27.09.2021. In terms of provision of Rule-12, power has been delegated to Administrative Departments and Heads of Departments for procurement of goods, engagement of consultant and outsourcing of services. For engagement of consultants, the powers of Administrative Departments and Heads of Departments are Rs.3 crore and Rs.1 crore respectively. Further, keeping in view the higher requirement for approved big project involving high technical requirement and to avoid delay in taking decision at various levels, the Administrative Department are delegated with the power to engage consultants for such project within two percentage of the project cost at their level without reference to Finance Department.

However, doubts are being raised as to whether the power delegated in the table and proviso to Rule-12 are mutually exclusive. In this context, it is hereby clarified that the power delegated in the proviso is over and above the power delegated in the table for engagement of consultant for approved project involving high technical requirement. Even if the cost of engagement of consultant for such big project is more than Rs.3 crore, the Administrative Departments are competent to sanction the project and execute the contract at their level subject to the condition that the cost is within 2 percent of the project cost.

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