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PART-III
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
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NOTIFICATION

The 26th November, 2025

No.G.S.R.185/Const./Art.309/Amd.(3)/2025.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Food and Supplies (Class III) Service Rules, 1990, namely:-

RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Food and Supplies (Class III) Service (Second Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall be deemed to have come into force on the 17th day of July, 2020.

2. In the Punjab Food and Supplies (Class III) Service Rules, 1990, for Appendix 'A', the following Appendix shall be substituted, namely:-

“APPENDIX ‘A’

[See rules 1(2), 3 and 14]

Serial No.	Designation of the post	Number of posts	Pay level/scale for the members of the Service recruited in Government Service prior to 17.07.2020 (in rupees)	Pay level/ scale for the members of the Service recruited in Government Service on or after 17.07.2020 (in rupees)
(A)HEAD OFFICE				
1.	Superintendent Grade-II	3	43000-136000 (Level-12)	-
2.	Senior Auditor	14	43000-136000 (Level-12)	-
3.	Legal Assistant (Now Law Officer)	3	38100-120400 (Level-10)	35400 (Level-6)
4.	Senior Assistant	67	38500-122700 (Level-11)	35400 (Level-6)
5.	Accountant (Senior Assistant Accounts)	1	38500-122700 (Level-11)	Dying Cadre
6.	Junior Auditor	76	38500-122700 (Level-11)	35400 (Level-6)
7.	Junior Scale Stenographer	11	28900-91600 (Level-7)	29200 (Level-5)
8.	Clerk	35	20200-64000 (Level-3)	19900 (Level-2)
9.	Restorer	2	20200-64000 (Level-3)	-

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10.	Steno Typist	10	21300-67800 (Level-5)	21700 (Level-3)
11.	Driver	5	21300-67800 (Level-5)	21700 (Level-3)
12.	Assistant Food and Supplies Officer	2	38500-122700 (Level-11)	-
13.	Inspector Food and Supplies	35	38100-120400 (Level-10)	35400 (Level-6)
(B)DISTRICT OFFICE (MINISTERIAL & EXECUTIVE)				
1.	Superintendent Grade-II	23	43000-136000 (Level-12)	-
2.	Senior Auditor	23	43000-136000 (Level-12)	-
3.	Senior Assistant (Now Dying Cadre)	1	38500-122700 (Level-11)	Dying Cadre
4.	Accountant (Senior Assistant Accounts)	1	38500-122700 (Level-11)	Dying Cadre
5.	Junior Auditor	285	38500-122700 (Level-11)	35400 (Level-6)
6.	Statistical Assistant (Now Dying Cadre)	8	38100-120400 (Level-10)	Dying Cadre
7.	Junior Scale Stenographer	5	28900-91600 (Level-7)	29200 (Level-5)
8.	Clerk	208	20200-64000 (Level-3)	19900 (Level-2)
9.	Steno typist	23	21300-67800 (Level-5)	21700 (Level-3)
10.	Assistant Food and Supplies Officer	160	38500-122700 (Level-11)	-
11.	Inspector Food and Supplies	1690	38100-120400 (Level-10)	35400 (Level-6)
12.	Picker (Now Dying Cadre)	1	20200-64000 (Level-3)	19900 (Level-2)
13.	Legal Assistant (Now Law Officer)	23	38100-120400 (Level-10)	35400 (Level-6)
14.	Driver	25	21300-67800 (Level-5)	21700 (Level-3)

Note:-The Pay level/scales on the pattern of the 7th Central Pay Commission shall be applicable to the member of the service recruited on or after 17.07.2020. Further, such members shall be entitled only for pay level/scale on the pattern of the 7th Central Pay Commission at the time of promotion also. Pay Level/scale of 6th Punjab Pay Commission shall not be applicable to such member at the time of promotion.”

Sd/-

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PART-III
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
(FINANCE PERSONNEL – II BRANCH)
NOTIFICATION

The 2nd December, 2025

No.G.S.R.186/P.A.12/2019/S.60/Amd.(2)/2025.- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 60 of the Punjab Transparency in Public Procurement Act, 2019 (Punjab Act No. 12 of 2019), and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Transparency in Public Procurement Rules, 2022, namely:-

RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Transparency in Public Procurement (Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Punjab Transparency for Public Procurement Rules, 2022 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), for rule8, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:-

“8. Determining the description of the subject matter of procurement:- (1) The procuring entity shall also consider guidelines or instructions or policies issued by any other Department from time to time for determining the parameters and specifications for any particular subject matter of the procurement, having expertise of or dealing with that subject matter of procurement or any instructions issued by the State Government to comply with such guidelines or instructions or policies issued by any other Department.

(2) Procuring entities may conduct pre-bid conferences and market consultations with prospective bidders before publication of tenders for clarifying doubts, clearing issues, understanding technical details and to ensure overall successful performance of the tenders.

(3) In order to promote participation of Micro , Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and startups in procurement processes, the procuring entity may grant a relaxation in prior turnover and prior experience criteria at the pre-qualification stage only for goods, works and services to Micro , Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and startups located in

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the State of Punjab that are direct manufacturer of the goods or direct service providers of the service or works being procured and not to suppliers engaged solely in trading activities. Such MSMEs or Startups should be participating in the bidding process directly. This relaxation shall not apply to compliance with technical and financial evaluation criteria, which shall remain uniform and mandatory for all bidders. The relaxation shall be granted only upon submission of a valid Udyam Registration Certificate, duly verified by the General Manager, District Industries Centre of the concerned district, confirming the location of the unit within Punjab and its MSME status. Startups shall be registered with the Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Punjab”

3. In the said rules, in rule 14, for sub-rule (2) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(2) In case any addendum or corrigendum is issued with respect to pre-bid clarification, the bidders shall be given a minimum time-period for submission of bids from the date of issuance of such addendum or corrigendum as per Appendix 1 for Goods, Appendix 2 for Works and Non consulting services and Appendix 3 for Consulting services.

(3) The proceedings pertaining to the addendum or corrigendum shall be uploaded on the portal or published publicly, as the case may be, preferably within three working days.”

4. In the said rules, in rule 17, for the words “rupees one crore”, the words “two crore rupees” shall be substituted.

5. In the said rules, in rule 21, for sub-rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

“(2) The estimated value of procurement of goods, works and services under this method shall be above five lakh rupees.”

6. In the said rules, in rule 26, for sub-rule(1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

“(1) Request for Quotations (RFQ) shall be adopted for procurement of goods, works and services in the range of twenty five thousand and one rupees to five lakh rupees, for a particular requirement of the procuring entity as approved by the competent authority.”

7. In the said rules, in rule 27, for the words “rupees two lakh fifty thousand” the

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words “rupees five lakh” shall be substituted.

8. In the said rules, for rule 43, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:-

“43 Dispute Resolution.-Disputes arising during the execution of contract shall be settled in such manner, as may be notified by the State Government, from time to time.”

9. In the said rules, for Appendix 1, Appendix 2 and Appendix 3, the following Appendices shall be substituted, namely:-

“APPENDIX 1

(See rule 7)

Time frame for procurement activities in Open Competitive Bidding (NCB-
Single stage two envelope) process for Goods

Serial No.	Procurement Stage	Time frame for National open Competitive Bidding (NCB)		
		Estimated Value fo procurement in INR (Rs.)		
		Upto 1 cr.	> Rs. 1 cr. And upto Rs. 10 Cr.	More than 10 crore
1.	Issue of Bidding Document	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)
2.	Submission of Bids Submission of Bids (Second Bidding / Third Bidding)	T+10	T+14	T+21
		T+7	T+10	T+14
3	Time frame to submit bid post issuance of corrigendum / addendum	7 days	10 days	14 days
4.	Public opening of Technical Bids	T+10* (on last day of submission)	T+14* (on last day of submission)	T+21* (on last day of submission)

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5.	Evaluation of Technical Bids by the Evaluation Committee	T+17	T+24	T+28
6.	Approval of the Technical evaluation report	T+22	T+29	T+33
7.	Opening of Financial Bids	T+24	T+31	T+35
8.	Evaluation including financials and recommendation for award by the Evaluation Committee	T+29	T+36	T+40
9.	Approval of the recommendations for award by the Competent Authority	T+34	T+41	T+45
10.	Issue of Notification of Award	T+36	T+43	T+47
11.	Signing of contract	T+44	T+51	T+55

*The time may be changed depending on the queries from the Bidders and in case of issue of Clarification / Addendum / Corrigendum to the Bidding Document.

If a tender fails twice, the procuring entity or administrative department, as a case may be, shall record a detailed explanation with reasons thereof about why the tender failed twice, and the efforts made by the Department or procuring entity to ensure the success of the tender.

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APPENDIX 2

[See rule 7]

Time frame for procurement activities in Open Competitive Bidding (NCB-
Single stage two envelope) process for Works and Non-consulting services

Serial No.	Procurement Stage	Time frame for National open Competitive Bidding (NCB)		
		Estimated Value fo procurement in INR (Rs.)		
		Upto 1 cr.	> Rs. 1 cr. And upto Rs. 10 Cr.	More than 10 crore
1.	Issue of Bidding Document	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)
2.	Submission of Bids	T+10	T+14	T+21
	Submission of Bids (Second Bidding / Third Bidding)	T+7	T+10	T+14
3	Time frame to submit bid post issuance of corrigendum / addendum	7 days	10 days	14 days
4.	Public opening of Technical Bids	T+10* (on last day of submission)	T+14* (on last day of submission)	T+21* (on last day of submission)
5.	Evaluation of Technical Bids by the Evaluation Committee	T+17	T+24	T+28
6.	Approval of the Technical evaluation report	T+22	T+29	T+33
7.	Opening of Financial Bids	T+24	T+31	T+35

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8.	Evaluation including financials and recommendation for award by the Evaluation Committee	T+29	T+36	T+40
9.	Approval of the recommendations for award by the Competent Authority	T+34	T+41	T+45
10.	Issue of Notification of Award	T+36	T+43	T+47
11.	Signing of contract	T+44	T+51	T+55

* The time may be changed depending on the queries from the Bidders and in case of issue of Clarification / Addendum / Corrigendum to the Bidding Document.

If a tender fails twice, the procuring entity or administrative department, as a case may be, shall record a detailed explanation with reasons thereof about why the tender failed twice, and the efforts made by the Department or procuring entity to ensure the success of the tender

APPENDIX 3

[See rule 7]

Time frame for procurement activities in the process of consulting services.

Serial No.	Procurement Stage	Time frame for National open Competitive Bidding (NCB)		
		Estimated Value for procurement in INR (Rs.)		
		Upto 1 cr.	> Rs. 1 cr. And upto Rs. 10 Cr.	More than 10 crore
1.	Issue of Bidding Document	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)	Day of first publication of the Notification (T)

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2.	Submission of Bids	T+10	T+14	T+21
	Submission of Bids (Second Bidding / Third Bidding)	T+7	T+10	T+14
3	Time frame to submit bid post issuance of corrigendum / addendum	7 days	10 days	14 days
4.	Public opening of Technical Bids	T+10* (on last day of submission)	T+14* (on last day of submission)	T+21* (on last day of submission)
5.	Evaluation of Technical Bids by the Evaluation Committee	T+17	T+24	T+28
6.	Approval of the Technical evaluation report	T+22	T+29	T+33
7.	Opening of Financial Bids	T+24	T+31	T+35
8.	Evaluation including financials and recommendation for award by the Evaluation Committee	T+29	T+36	T+40
9.	Approval of the recommendations for award by the Competent Authority	T+34	T+41	T+45

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10.	Issue of Notification of Award	T+36	T+43	T+47
11.	Signing of contract	T+44	T+51	T+55

* The time may be changed depending on the queries from the Bidders and in case of issue of Clarification / Addendum / Corrigendum to the Bidding Document.

If a tender fails twice, the procuring entity or administrative department, as a case may be, shall record a detailed explanation with reasons thereof about why the tender failed twice, and the efforts made by the Department or procuring entity to ensure the success of the tender.”

10. In the said rules, in Appendix 4,-

(i) for clause 3, the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

Bid submission: The bidders shall submit their techno-commercial bids and price bids online. No conditional bid shall be allowed /accepted. Bidders will have to upload scanned copies of various documents required for eligibility and all other documents as specified in Notice Inviting Bid, techno-commercial bid in cover-I (First Envelope), and price bid in cover-II (Second Envelope) or any other cover/s/envelope/s as applicable. To enable system generated techno- commercial and price comparative statements, such statements shall be asked to be submitted in Excel formats. The bidder will have to give an undertaking online that if the information/declaration/scanned documents furnished in respect of eligibility criteria are found to be wrong or misleading at any stage, they will be liable to punitive action. “Bid Security and tender fee may be obtained in the form of insurance surety bonds, or bank guarantee (including e Bank Guarantee) issued or confirmed by any of the Scheduled Banks (as defined in section 2 (e) of the Reserve Bank of India Act 1934 or in the electronic format online (NEFT / RTGS / Internet banking) or any other online mode available on e-procurement portal. Bid security/EMD in the form of insurance surety bond or bank guarantee shall be submitted online only and insurance surety bonds or bank guarantee shall not be accepted in physical form. In case of exemption of Bid Security, the scanned copy of the document in support of exemption will have to be uploaded by the bidder during bidsubmission. For more information, the bidders shall refer to the instructions provided on the e-Procurement Portal’s Website under Bidders Manual Kit.

Further, recognized Micro and Small enterprises (MSEs) and Startups are exempted from payment of Bid Security, Subject to submission of valid registration /Udyam certificate verified by the General Manager, District Industry Center of the concerned district, confirming the units locations within Punjab and its MSE status or registered Startup with Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Punjab and must submit a Bid Security Declaration accepting that if they withdraw or modify their bids during period of

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validity, they will be suspended for the time specified in the tender documents.”

(ii) in clause 10, in sub-clause (2), for the figures and word “15 days”, the words “eight days” shall be substituted; and

(iii) in clause 11, for sub-clause (1) the following sub-clause shall be substituted, namely:-

“(1) Bid Security of the bidders whose bid is rejected in technical evaluation shall be returned within ten days upon the completion of technical evaluation. Non-compliance of this provision shall render the competent authority liable for major penalty under applicable disciplinary rules

Further, if the bid process is delayed or extended due to unforeseen circumstances. The procuring entity must release bid security, where the vendor so asks, within ten days beyond the bid validity period from the date of initial publication of bid.”

11. In the said rules, in Schedule 1, in Part A-

(i) in clause 4, in sub-clause (5), for item (c), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(c) Bid Security and tender fee may be obtained in the form of insurance surety bonds, or bank guarantee (including e Bank Guarantee) issued or confirmed by any of the Scheduled Banks (as defined in section 2 (e) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 or in the electronic format online (NEFT / RTGS / Internet banking) or any other online mode available on e-procurement portal. Bid security/EMD in the form of insurance surety bond or bank guarantee shall be submitted online only and insurance surety bonds or bank guarantee shall not be accepted in physical form.

“(d) Further, recognized Micro and Small enterprises (MSEs) and Startups (recognized by the Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Punjab) are exempted from payment of Bid Security, subject to submission of valid registration or Udyam certificate verified by the General Manager, District Industries Center of the concerned district, confirming the units locations of units within Punjab and its MSE status or registered Startup with the Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Punjab and must submit a Bid Security Declaration accepting that if they withdraw or modify their bids during period of validity, they shall be suspended for the time specified in the tender documents.”; and

(ii) in clause 5, in sub-clause (8), for item (a), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

“(a) If required as specified in the conditions of contract, the Supplier shall, within eight (8) days of the notification of contract award, provide a performance security for due

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performance of the Contract in the amount specified in the conditions of contract. Performance Security may be obtained in the form of insurance surety bonds, or bank guarantee (including e Bank Guarantee) issued or confirmed by any of the Scheduled Banks (as defined in section 2 (e) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 or in the electronic format online (NEFT or RTGS or Internet banking) or any other online mode available on e-procurement portal.”

Sd/-
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