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Sub: Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) - Following World Bank Norms for Procurement of Goods, Civil Works and Services

Dear Sir/Madam

You may recall that during the meeting of Principal Secretaries dealing with Technical Education with the Education Secretary, MHRD held on 1st July 2004, an issue was raised regarding low expenditure on part of Institutions selected under the Programme. One of the reasons for low expenditure pointed out by the State Secretaries was lack of clarity regarding norms to be followed. It may please be noted that "Goods and works shall be procured in accordance with provisions of Section I of the Guidelines for Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA credits published by the Bank in January 1995 and revised in January and August 1996, September 1997 and January 1999 (the Guidelines) and the provisions of the following parts of this Section I". (Reference: Schedule I, Section I, Part A of Project Agreement).

Deviation from Project Agreement may cause post audit problems and disallowance of reimbursement claims.

This matter has been reviewed by the National Project Director and is issued in super-cession of all other decisions/directives contained in earlier letters/ meetings/workshops **that all Procurement of Goods and Services being made under TEQIP will be according to the World Bank procedures as per the Project Agreement.**

Please bring it to the notice of SPFU of your State for compliance by Institutions selected under the Programme.

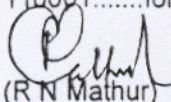
With regards,

Yours sincerely,
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(R N Mathur)

To:
State Secretaries of Education (First Cycle)

cc to:

1. SPFU Heads (First Cycle) & Institutions (First Cycle)
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3. PS to NPD, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.....for information


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