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### भारत सरकार Government of India रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways रेलवे बोर्ड (Railway Board)



New Delhi Dated: 03.03.2023

No. 2023/Tele/Complaint Redressal-PMI (3420420)

M/s Webfil Limited, YULE House, 8, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Sarani, Kolkata - 700001

Sub: Debarment of M/s Webfil from participating in procurement of Ministry of Railways and

it's attached/subordinate offices, Autonomous bodies, CPSEs etc.

Ref: DoT DO No. 16-09/2018-IP-Part-3 dated 19th Jan. 2023.

Vide above reference from DoT to Ministry of Railways, it has been informed that in Railway's Tender No. KOTA/SNT/Tele/2021/06R1 and NCRPU-TELE-IPEXCH-2022, M/s Webfil is L1 and is supplying Chinese product labeled "Made in India". The complaint is to be investigated at Railway Board level as per Note No. 2020/RS(G)/779/2 dated 20.01.2023 wherein EDs/PEDs of Technical department have been nominated competent authority for examining references received in relation with DPIIT PPP-MII orders and for disposing off references received pertaining to them.

- 2. In this context an online virtual meeting was called on 02.02.2023 wherein representatives from M/s Webfil, North Central Railway and West Central Railway participated. During the meeting, M/s Webfil was given an opportunity to explain about the material that they proposed to supply against the Railways tender No. KOTA/SNT/Tele/2021/06R1 and NCRPU-TELE-IPEXCH-2022.
- 3. In case of the NCR tender No. NCRPU-TELE-IPEXCH-2022, M/s Webfil has informed that the local content of their bid is 65%. They have also indicated that while filling the online tender document they have by mistake shown the local content as 100% indicating that it was a typographical mistake. Material from M/s Asttecs is proposed to be supplied. M/s Webfil indicated that the local content of M/s Asttecs portions of the work is 65% (M/s. Webfil letter No. DS/MKT/NCR/PRYJ dated 03.02.2023 to NCR along with the undertaking from M/s Asttecs regarding the local content).
- 4. In case of the WCR tender No. KOTA/SNT/Tele/2021/06/R1, M/s Webfil has informed that material of M/s Asttecs is proposed to be supplied. It was further informed along with the undertaking from M/s Asttecs that their local content is 65% and the local contents of the total work of M/s Webfil's bid is 80%. (The same has been confirmed vide M/s Webfil's letter No. DS/MKT/WCR/Kota dated 03.02.2023).
- 5. Another complaint was received by Ministry of Railways directly from M/s Coral Telecom vide its letter No. nil dated 08.02.2023 regarding tender No. SNT-PROJ-JP-2022-23-07 of NWR wherein it has been alleged that M/s Webfil has given a false declaration of local content as 100% in its offer. A confirmation from NWR was obtained and NWR has confirmed vide its letter No. SNT/HQ/VoIP/letter

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dated 16.02.2023 that the local content declaration given by M/s Webfil in their said tender is 100%. M/s Webfil was asked to give clarification vide Board's letter of even No. dated 20.02.2023. M/s Webfil vide its letter No. DS/MKT/NWR-JP/VoIP/LTR dated 21.02.2022 has informed that M/s Webfil's method of calculation of local content was flawed and not in line with how it actually has to be computed for a System Integrator in a Works Contract. M/s Webfil admits that there has been an error of understating and computation on their part. M/s Webfil has also given in writing that it would ensure proper computation of "Percentage of Local Content" in all the upcoming tenders.

- 6. A personal hearing was arranged on 01.03.2023 for discussing all such tenders with the representative of M/s Webfil. It was again stated by M/s Webfil that the mistake has been because of error in understanding the methodology of the local content computation of the bid. No new information was provided.
- 7. From this it is seen that M/s Webfil has shown the local content in their bid as 100% in two Tenders of Indian Railways i.e. NCR tender No. NCRPU-TELE-IPEXCH-2022 and NWR tender No. SNT-PROJ-JP-2022-23-07. Typographical error and ignorance of rules for the wrong declaration is not acceptable. It is established that the local content in both these tenders have been wrongly declared.
- 8. After having considered all the above facts, M/s Webfil Limited is hereby debarred from participating in the procurement process of Ministry of Railways and its attached/subordinate offices, autonomous bodies, Central Public Sector Enterprises etc. for a period of six months from the date of issue of this Order for false declaration of local content which is a breach of code of integrity under Rule 175(1)(i)(h) of the GFR and in terms of para 9(f) of DPIIT PPP-MII order dated 16.09.2020.
- 9. Since M/s Webfil is an RDSO approved source for other railway products like PDMux, UFSBI etc., this debarment is not applicable on these products. Products manufactured by M/s. Webfil for Railways and approved by RDSO can be quoted by other system integrators.
- 10. This debarment shall come into effect from the date of issue of this notification. Any contracts concluded before the date of debarment should not get affected by this debarment in terms of board's letter No. 2021/RS(6)/779/17(E 3380016) dated 09.11.2022. Signed by Rakesh Ranjan

Signed by Rakesh Ranjan Date: 03-03-2023 20:29:38 Reason: Approved

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