



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Stores Purchase Department – The limit of direct purchase from Startups enhanced from Rs.5 Lakhs to Rs.20 Lakhs exclusive of Goods and Services Tax sanctioned - Orders issued.

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### STORES PURCHASE (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.36/2018/SPD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 17/09/2018.

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Read :- 1).G.O.(P)No.6/2014/SPD dated 17/05/2014  
 2) G.O.(Rt) No. 2/2017/SPD dated 16/01/2017.  
 3).Letter from CEO, KSUM, Dated 27/01/2018 to Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department, Government of Kerala.

### ORDER

As per the Government Order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above, Government accorded sanction to direct purchase of mobile app startup projects from among the list cleared by the Kerala State Startup Mission upto a cost of Rs.5 lakhs and subject to a condition that one purchasing officer cannot purchase more than two application in one year from one entrepreneur.

2. The Chief Executive Officer, Kerala Startup Mission, as per the letter read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above has requested to allow purchases from Startups up to Rs.5 lakh exclusive of taxes, since the introduction of Goods Service Tax has put Startups in a difficult position and is not reflect the true essence of the Government Order.

3. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to enhance the financial limit from Rs. 5 lakhs to Rs. 20 lakhs exclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST) for the direct purchase of mobile app, all software products and services of startup projects from among the list cleared by the Kerala State Startup Mission and those who registered with Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), Government of India and to extend the benefits and exemption of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid Security, Cost of

Tender forms and Security Deposit etc... to all Startups who are registered with Stores Purchase Department as in the case of Micro Small and Medium Entreprises (MSMEs) and also to extend the benefit of exemption from previous experience and turnover requirements. Relaxation of the Stores Purchase Manual is accorded to this extend.

By Order of the Governor

**C. JYOTHIKUMAR**  
**Joint Secretary to Government**

To

The Secretary, Kerala Legislative Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram  
(with C/L)

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Special Secretaries.

The All Heads of Departments/Offices/Public Sector Undertakings/  
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The Registrar, Kerala Administrative Tribunal (with C/L)

The Director of Printing, Thiruvananthapuram (with C/L)

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (A& E) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

Information & Public Relations Department (for publishing in the  
Government Website)

All Departments in the Secretariat including Law and Finance.

The Stores Purchase (A1,A3,A4,B, IW -I & IW-II) Departments.

Secretariat Library

The C-DIT, Gorky Bhavan, Vanross Junction, Thiruvananthapuram

(for hosting the Government Order in the website of Stores  
Purchase Department)

The Stock file/Office Copy.

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Section Officer

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