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Dear Dr. Verma:

Assessment of Government eProcurement System of NIC (GePNIC)

We thank you and the entire National Informatics Centre (NIC) team for extending your valuable support and collaboration for conducting assessment of Government eProcurement System of NIC (GePNIC).

The objective of the assessment was to validate the system compliance with Electronic Procurement Requirements of Multilateral Development Banks (MDB) Financed Operations dated July 2019. MDB guidelines focusses on five pillars: (i) technological/brand neutrality; (ii) technical standards and interoperability; (iii) security; (iv) ensuring audit trail; and (v) cost and ease of participation by bidders.

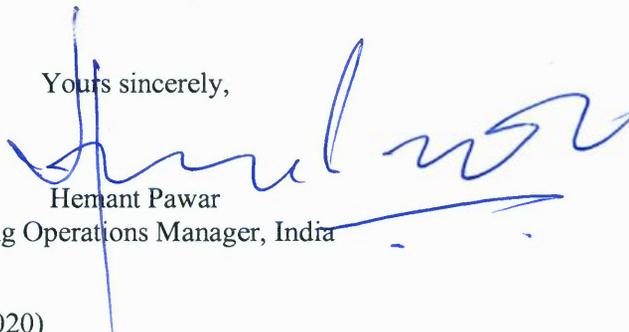
We are pleased to inform you that the GePNIC system complies with the requirements stipulated in the MDB Guidelines. The system is accordingly accepted for use under National and International Competitive Bidding for Goods, Works, Non-Consultancy services and Consultancy services under World Bank financed projects subject to the following conditions:

- i. System continues to have a valid Standardization Testing and Quality Certification (STQC) audit certificate.
- ii. Future enhancements are consistent with the requirements of the Guidelines.

Please find attached for your information the full report on GePNIC assessment and executive summary report of all e-procurements systems in India that have been assessed.

We look forward to continued collaboration with you.

Yours sincerely,



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Attachment: Assessment Report (2019-2020)

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