

**Outsourcing Agencies to be selected
on minimum bid basis through GeM**

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Outsourcing agencies for providing services to the government departments will be selected on the basis of minimum bid through the Government e-market place (GeM). On receiving more than one similar minimum bids, the minimum bid will be approved through lottery draw by using the software available on GeM portal.

The Principal Secretary, MSME, Dr. Navneet Sahgal, said that all the government departments had been directed to effectively implement this dispensation for hiring outsourced services. He said that the government had come to know the practice of government departments selecting the bid as per their free will in the cases where more than one identical minimum bids were received. This practice, he added, was affecting the objective of transparency in purchase and supply on the GeM portal.

GeM is an online procurement portal created under the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India. The MSME Department of the UP Government has been made responsible to ensure implementation of GeM system in the state.

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