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National Informatics Centre
Procurement Section

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Office Memorandum

Subject: Debarment from participation in any procurement process of NIC on grounds of breach the code of integrity in GeM bid no. GEM/2025/B/7001781

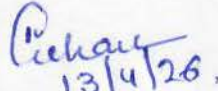
Whereas NIC invited bids vide GeM bid no. GEM/2025/B/7001781 for renewal of Fortinet UTM licenses. Subsequent to opening of financial bids, a representation from M/S Fortinet i.e. the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) was received that OEM MAF submitted by M/S M Group Solutions (hereinafter also referred to as "Company") against the bid is not genuine. Therefore, a letter was sent through e-mail on 9th March 2026 to the aforesaid bidder with a request to share the original OEM authorization certificate issued to the Company against the bid along with all the relevant documents/certificates latest by 12th March 2026, to ascertain the genuineness of the document (MAF) submitted by the Company.

2. Whereas a reminder letter dated 18th March 2026 was again sent through e-mail and the company was given last and final opportunity to submit its representation in the matter in 10 days time. It was also informed that failing this, it shall be presumed that the Company doesn't have anything to submit in this matter and based on the complaint from M/S Fortinet, penal action will be initiated against the Company including but not limited to blacklisting by NIC/MeitY/Dept of Expenditure for a period as may be decided by competent authority.

3. Whereas no reply has been received till date from the Company, in spite of reasonable and sufficient time and sufficient opportunity given to the Company to represent its case against such debarment.

4. Therefore, keeping in view the above facts, the submission of non-genuine document in the bidding process by the Company is found to be a case of breach of code of integrity under GFR 175(1)(i)(h) for which as per GFR 151(iii), M/S M Group Solutions is hereby debarred for 2 years, w.e.f. date of issue of this Office Memorandum, from participation in any procurement process undertaken by NIC. Further, CEO GeM is also being requested to take action as given hereunder.

5. This is issued with the approval of competent authority.


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1. CEO, GeM for necessary action as per GTC 21(ii)(f) & 22.14 on GeM 4.0 (version 1.27) dated 1st December 2025 regarding removal/debarring the seller.
2. HoG (Media Informatics Division) for uploading on NIC website