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Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
Procurement Policy Division  
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516, Lok Nayak Bhawan,  
New Delhi Dated the 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**


Subject: South Asia Procurement Innovation Awards (SAPIA) 2018 – reg.

The undersigned is directed to say that World Bank has launched South Asia Procurement Innovation Awards 2018 and has requested this Department to give wide publicity to the Awards program so that procurement entities of Government of India may participate in the same. In this regard the email of World Bank dated 02.11.2018 along with all the details on the subject cited above is attached.

2. World Bank has stated that in 2017, in the second year of launch of South Asia Procurement Innovation Awards, World Bank received 78 submissions. World Bank is looking forward to a more and better submissions and competition in this round. In order to increase the number of submissions and competition, the applicants may submit cases describing innovations and or best practices in procurement, i.e. not only innovations but also best practices.

3. It is requested that the award program may be given wide circulation in all the Organisations including Public Sector Undertakings under control of your Ministry/ Department.

*End- Assn.*

  
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