4.0 Facility of viewing the technical bids submitted by bidders on GSL e-procurement portal .

4.1 Brief Introduction:

During an inquiry /examination of a Procurement case, it was observed that the online tendering process of two bid system of GSL is not in line with the NIC e-procurement system.

4.2 Background:

GSL e-procurement portal was having restriction on viewing of Technical documents submitted by a bidder by other participating bidders of same tender. The same was not in line with the NIC guidelines and general guidelines on transparency and fairness.

4.3 Implementation:

As a systemic improvement, the matter regarding blocking of viewing facility on GSL e-procurement portal was taken up by Vigilance Department with the GSL management and the same was enabled in NIC e-portal

4.4 Impact and Benefits:

With the implementation of above systemic improvement, for future GSL e-tenders, all the participating bidders against a particular tender will be able to view the technical documents submitted by other bidders. This will enhance fairness and transparency in the procurement system.