

# THE GUJARAT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2006

Gujarat Act No. 18 of 2006

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## AN ACT

Further to amend the Gujarat Infrastructure Development Act, 1999.

It is hereby enacted in the fiftieth Year of the Republic of India, as follows:-

This Act may be called the Gujarat Infrastructure Development 1. (1) (Amendment) Act, 2006.

Short title and commencement.

- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.
- 2. in the Gujarat infrastructure Development Act, 1999 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), in section 2,-

Amendment of section 2 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

- (1) after clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted, namely :-
  - "(aa) "concession" means grant of financial assistance or conferment of right on Government property and public assets to a person other than the State Government, Government agency or specified Government agency, as per the terms specified in the concession agreement;";
- (2) after clause (j), the following clause shall be inserted, namely :-
  - "(jj) "proposal" means a document which may include among others, details of the project, feasibility study or any other study, financial viability analysis and structuring of project as such other information as may be decided by the Board;";
- clause (q) shall be deleted.
- In the principal Act, in section 4, -
  - (1) in sub-section (1), clause (b) shall be deleted;
  - (2) to sub-section (3), the following proviso shall be added, namely :-

"Provided that if the State Government, Government agency or, as the case may be, specified Government agency, is satisfied with the performance of the developer during the concession period, it may by order, extend the concession period on such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed. ";

Amendment of section 4 of Gui.

11 of 1999.

- (3) in sub-section (4), for clause (a), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
  - "(a) The State Government may, by notification in *Official Gazette*, add to, amend or omit therefrom any other nature of agreement in Schedule II and on issue of such notification, the Schedule shall be deemed to have been amended accordingly.".
- 4. In the principal Act, in section 5,-
  - (1) in sub-section (1),-
    - (a) for the words "as may be prescribed", the words "as may be provided by the regulations" shall be substituted;
    - (b) for the word "prescribed", the word "provided" shall be substituted:
  - (2) in sub-section (2), after the word and figures "section 10", the words, figures and letter "or section 10A" shall be inserted.
- 5. In the principal Act, in section 6, for clause (b), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
  - " (b) financial assistance, either one time or in installments, not exceeding twenty percent of the cost of the project;".
- 6. In the principal Act, in section 7, for the words "No concession agreement", the words, figures and letter "Subject to the provisions of section 10A, no concession agreement" shall be substituted.
- 7. In the principal Act, in the section 8,-
  - (1) in sub-section (1), for the words and figures "direct negotiation as provided in section 10", the words, figures and letter "inviting comparative bids as provided in section 10 or by direct negotiation as provided in section 10A" shall be substituted;
  - (2) in sub-section(2), for the words "competitive bidding", the words "competitive bidding, inviting comparative bids" shall be substituted.
- 8. In the principal Act, for section 9, the following section shall be substituted, namely:-

"9. On the acceptance of the recommendation of the Board made under sub-section (2) of section 5, the State Government, the Government agency or, as the case may be, the specified Government agency shall select a developer for the project through competitive public bidding in the manner as may be prescribed."

Amendment of section 5 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Amendment of section 6 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Amendment of section 7 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Amendment of section 8 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Substitution of section 9 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Selection of person by competitive public bidding.

- 9. In the principal Act, in section 10,-
  - (1) for the existing marginal note, the following marginal note shall be substituted, namely:-

Amendment of section 10 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

"Inviting comparative bids.";

- (2) for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:-
  - "(1) Where a proposal for undertaking a project and a proposed concession agreement prepared by a person are submitted to the State Government, the Government agency or a specified Government agency, it may,
  - (a) consider the proposal and the proposed concession agreement from all aspects (including technical and financial) and if necessary, modify the same in consultation with the person who has submitted the proposal and the proposed concession agreement; and
  - (b) submit the proposal and the proposed concession agreement to the Board, if -
    - (i) the cost of the project exceeds the limit provided by regulations under sub-section (1) of section 5, and
    - (ii) the undertaking of the project does not require financial assistance from the State Government, the Government agency or the specified Government agency.";
- (3) in sub-section (2), for the words "specified in", the words "prescribed under" shall be substituted.
- 10. After section 10, the following section shall be inserted, namely :-

Insertion of new section 10A in Guj. 11 of 1999.

"10A.(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 9 and 10, a person other than the State Government, Government agency or specified Government agency, may submit a proposal and proposed concession agreement for direct negotiation to the State Government, Government agency or the specified Government agency for any of the project specified in Schedule III.

Selection by direct negotiation.

- (2) If the State Government, Government agency, or, as the case may be, the specified Government agency is satisfied that the project is of a nature specified in Schedule III, it may, -
  - (a) consider the proposal from all aspects (including technical and financial) and if necessary modify the same in consultation with the

person who has submitted the proposal and the proposed concession agreement, and

- (b) submit the proposal and the proposed concession agreement to the Board, if the cost of the project exceeds the limit provided by the regulations.
- (3) On acceptance of the recommendation of the Board made under subsection (2) of section 5, the State Government, Government agency or, as the case may be, the specified Government agency may enter into a concession agreement with a person who has submitted the proposal under sub-section (1).".
- 11. In the principal Act, in section 16,-
  - (1) for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:-
- Amendment of section 16 of Guj. 11 of 1999.
- "(1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, add to, amend or omit therefrom any project in Schedule I or Schedule III which falls within the executive power of the State and on issue of such notification, the Schedule I or, as the case may be, Schedule III shall be deemed to have been amended accordingly.";
- (2) for the marginal note, the following shall be substituted, namely:-
- " Power to amend Schedules I and III.".
- 12. In the principal Act, in section 37, in sub-section (2) -
  - (1) clauses (a) and (b) shall be deleted;
  - (2) for clause (c), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:-
    - "(c) the matters relating to competitive public bidding, inviting comparative bids and direct negotiation under sub-section (2) of section 8:
    - (cc) the manner in which the developer for the project shall be selected under section 9;".
- 13. In the principal Act, in section 38, in sub-section (2), before clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
  - "(aa) the amount of cost of a project exceeding which a proposal shall be submitted to the Board under sub-section (1) of section 5 and different amounts of costs for different nature of projects;".

Amendment of section 37 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

Amendment of section 38 of Guj. 11 of 1999.

14. In the principal Act, after Schedule II, the following Schedule shall be added, namely:-

Insertion of new Schedule III in Guj. 11 of 1999.

### " SCHEDULE III "

(See sub-section (1) of section 10A)

### PROJECTS OF SPECIAL NATURE

- A project which is innovative or involves proprietary technology or franchise which is exclusively available with the person globally.
- 2. A project wherein competitive public bidding as provided in section 9 has failed to select a developer.
- 3. A project to provide social services to the people including community services and public utilities.
- An infrastructure project which is an essential link for another bigger infrastructure project owned or operated by the same person.".