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Fwd: Request for Response: Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd's Participation in GeM Defence Tenders

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18 August 2026 at 13:05

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From: **Bharat Wire Mesh** <bharatwiremesh@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, 18 Aug 2026 at 11:06
Subject: Re: Request for Response: Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd's Participation in GeM Defence Tenders
To: shubhangi derhgawen [REDACTED]

Hi Shubhangi,

Thank you for your email.

I hope you're doing well.

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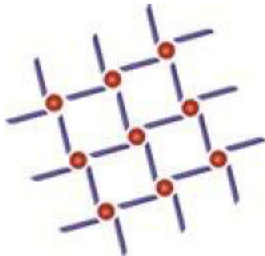
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For M/s. Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt. Ltd.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Shubhangi Derhgawen, and I am a reporter with The Reporters' Collective. I am working on an article examining defence procurement through the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) portal.

As part of our reporting on tenders for Hesco bastions, we found instances where Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd bid alongside Seco Machines, Kansal Wirenettings and Johripur Alloys and Steels. In some of these tenders, three of these entities were among the lowest bidders.

I am writing to seek Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd's response to the following questions before publication:

1. GeM's Terms and Conditions and the General Financial Rules (GFR) provide for one bid per bidder and require competing bids to be independent. Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd and Johripur Alloys and Steels have submitted separate bids in the same tenders, while Bharat Wire Mesh director Mohit Gupta is also the proprietor of Johripur Alloys and Steels. This appears to amount to two bids being submitted by entities under common control. Is this characterisation correct? If not, please explain how the two entities were eligible to participate separately in the same tender process.
2. Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd identifies Kansal Wirenettings and Johripur Alloys and Steels as entities in which its Key Managerial Persons, including directors Mohit Gupta and Ashish Gupta, have significant influence. These entities have participated alongside Bharat Wire Mesh in the same tenders. According to GFR, were these relationships and potential conflicts of interest disclosed to the buyer during the tender process?

We would appreciate a response to these questions so that Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd's position can be accurately and fairly reflected in our report.

Regards,
Shubhangi Derhgawen

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From: **Bharat Wire Mesh** <bharatwiremesh@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, 20 Aug 2026 at 20:52

Subject: Re: Request for Response: Bharat Wire Mesh Pvt Ltd's Participation in GeM Defence Tenders

Dear Shubhangi,

Thank you for your follow-up.

I believe the information presently available to you provides only a limited picture. Additional material has circulated through social media and WhatsApp, but its source, authenticity and context should be independently verified.

By way of background, I am an engineer and hold postgraduate qualifications in Information Security, Management and Defence Studies. I also run a research and development company focused on technological products. We have developed six products covered by granted or published patent applications.

HESCO Basket is one such product. The relevant patent was granted in 2017 and, to the best of my understanding, remains valid until 2032. The product has also undergone testing by the CRPF and the Indian Army. Comparable imported products may cost approximately ₹8,000 per unit, whereas our equivalent product has been supplied for approximately ₹2,000 per unit. Our objective has been to provide the Indian Armed Forces with indigenous technology at competitive prices.

Regarding your questions, we do not accept that the mere participation of related entities in a tender, by itself, establishes collusion or improper bidding. Eligibility, independence and disclosure requirements must be assessed with reference to the terms and declarations of each specific tender. Your email does not identify the relevant tender or bid numbers. Please provide those details so that the records can be examined and a precise, tender-specific response can be given. The patented status of the product is relevant background, although we recognise that compliance with the applicable tender conditions must be considered separately.

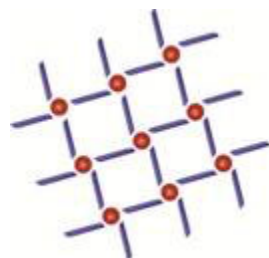
We understand that some of the allegations and documents being circulated may have originated in connection with an ongoing matrimonial dispute involving a member of my family. That girl for approx one month after marriage and then left the home with the jewellery of more that Rs. 2 crores, Now she is demanding 4.5 Crores more for settlement, we denied this blackmailing so the Complaints have reportedly been sent to several government departments and authorities. We deny the allegations made against us and understand that a number of the complaints have already been examined and closed. We request that you verify the origin, authenticity and present status of every document or allegation before relying upon it.

Apart from HESCO Basket, we have developed and supplied other specialised products for the Armed Forces. Our focus is on indigenous innovation, quality and cost-effective supply.

If your proposed report concerns allegations against me or the mentioned 2-3 companies, I request that the relevant documents and tender particulars be shared so that I can respond fully. If your report more broadly examines the advantages and shortcomings of GeM procurement policies, I would also be willing to discuss the process and share relevant practical insights.

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On 18 Aug 2026, at 1:13 PM, shubhangi [REDACTED]:

Mr Gupta,

Thank you for your reply. As we shared in the previous email, I am Shubhangi Derghawen. A reporter with [The Reporters' Collective](#), an independent investigative newsroom based out of Delhi. Our questions and context to the questions were contained in our previous email and remain as such.

I would be grateful if you can reply to the questions latest by end of day on August 20, 2026 in order to ensure your response is appropriately included in our reportage.

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