Integration of Central Public Procurement portal with GeM

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To further improve the buying and selling process for ministries, departments and other agencies government is planning to integrate its central public procurement portal (CPPP) with the Government e-Marketplace (GeM)

Key highlights

- The plan is to add over 100 new features in the existing portal to make it more transparent as part of GeM 4.0.
- The other features include
 - 1. Timely payments to sellers
 - 2. Demand aggregation
 - 3. Allowing buyers to place a single order for quantities to be delivered over a period with a defined schedule
 - 4. Advanced search engine
 - 5. Crowdsourcing of sellers
 - Use of blockchain technology for bulk procurement of pharma
 - 7. Improving catalog by adding parameters and price variance on the platform, and
 - 8. Introduction of seller rating.
 - 9. Incident management policy overhaul
 - 10. Buyer-seller collaboration, and
 - 11. Dedicated corners for public sector units and large buyers
- Buyer and sellers would be incentivized on the portal in the form of non-monetary credits by completing key tasks like timely payments, and catalog correction.

About Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP)

- Central Public Procurement Portal (CPPP) of the Government of India is operational since 2012.
- It hosts the Government eProcurement System (GePNIC) developed by the National Informatics Centre in close coordination with the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.
- CPPP provides single-point access to all the tendering information on various procurements made across the country.

It facilitates :

- ePublishing Publishing of tender enquiries, corrigendum & award of contract details.
- 2. XML Facilitates publishing of tender comprehensive information of other eProcurement systems
- 3. eProcurement facilitated through GePNIC© implemented in 500+ Central Government Ministries/ Departments and Public Sector Units, it is also being rolled out across India