



20th April 2011

Brig. Muhammad Aslam Rana,
Administrator DHA Lahore,
Defence Housing Authority
Sector "Y" Commercial Phase-III,
Lahore

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules, 2004

Invitation of Prequalification of Contractors TIP Letter dated 12-11-2010, PPRA letters dated 16-11-2010 & 15-3-2011 and DHA letter dated 15-4-2011

Dear Sir,

The DHA response to TI Pakistan objection date 12-11-2010 dated 15-4-2011 has been examined. Following are TIP comments .

1. DHA has advertised Pre-Qualification for Contractors/Firms on 11-11-2010, and not the "Expression of Interest" as has been stated in DHA letter dated 15-4-2011.
2. DHA Lahore replied to TIP after 5- ½ months, and no information is provided about whether during last 5 months the contractors/firms were prequalified or not.
3. DHA Lahore may note that RFP is prepared not for prequalification of Contractors, but is only prepared for inviting proposals for Services.
4. Procedure of prequalification has been clearly defined by PPRA in Rules No 16 & 17, quoted below which were not followed by DHA.

15. Pre-qualification of suppliers and contractors.-

(1) A procuring agency, prior to the floating of tenders, invitation to proposals or offers in procurement proceedings, may engage in pre-qualification of bidders in case of services, civil works, turnkey projects and in case of procurement of expensive and technically complex equipment to ensure that only technically and financially capable firms having adequate managerial capability are invited to submit bids. Such pre-qualification shall solely be based upon the ability of the interested parties to perform that particular work satisfactorily.

16. Pre-qualification process.-

(1) The procuring agency engaging in pre-qualification shall announce, in the pre-qualification documents, all information required for pre-qualification including instructions for preparation and submission of the pre-qualification documents, evaluation criteria, list of documentary evidence required by suppliers or contractors to demonstrate their respective qualifications and any other information that the procuring agency deems necessary for prequalification.

(2) The procuring agency shall provide a set of pre-qualification documents to any supplier or contractor, on request and subject to payment of price, if any.



As DHA has admitted that the Pre-Qualification for Contractors/Firms Notice dated 11-11-2010 was not with intent to prequalify, and prequalification will be conducted as per PPRA Rules, TI Pakistan has not further objections.

With regards,

Syed Adil Gilani
Chairman

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