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Sub: Violation of the AJ&K Public Procurement Rules 2017, Sub Divisional Officer, Irrigation & Small Dams Department, Muzaffarabad's Short Tender Notice for Maintenance and Demonstration Works.

This is with reference to Irrigation & Small Dams Department, Muzaffarabad's Tender Notice published in daily "Khabrain" on 15th May, 2019. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the AJK PPRA Rules 2017.

As per terms and condition No. 6 in the advertisement, "Irrigation & Small Dams Department, Muzaffarabad reserves the right to reject any or all tender forms without assigning any reason", which is violation of AJK PPRA Rules 2017, Rule 33 (1). Stated as under;

33. Rejection of Bids.-(1) The Procuring Agency may reject all Bids or proposals at any time prior to the acceptance of a Bid or proposal. The Procuring Agency shall upon request communicate to any Supplier or Contractor who submitted a Bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection of all Bids or proposals, but is not required to justify those grounds.

The above information is forwarded for the purpose of avoiding mis-procurement charge under Rule No 50, and with request to re-invite the tender under the prescribed procedures or issue a corrigendum and extend date accordingly.

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Justice Zia Perwez

Former Judge of Supreme Court of Pakistan

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- 1. Prime Minister, Azad State of Jammu & Kashmir.
- 2. Chief Secretary, Azad State of Jammu & Kashmir.
- 3. Managing Director, AJK PPRA, Azad Kashmir.

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