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Chairman,  
The Bank of Punjab,  
Lahore.

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Complaint received against Tender for Branded Computer, Finger Print Reader for the Various Departments Uploaded on the Punjab PPRA Website on 22-11-8.

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint against BOP Tender for Branded Computer, Finger Print Reader regarding mandatory requirements for the tender. The complaint is enclosed for your ready reference and is self-explanatory.

The complainant has raised his objection on certain mandatory requirements that The Bank of Punjab has requested under Vendor Eligibility Criteria.

TIP's observation is that certain mandatory requirements are a violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014.

Chairman, The Bank of Punjab is requested to kindly examine the matter raised by the complainant, and if found genuine direct the concerned department to amend the tender mandatory requirements so that it doesn't violate Punjab Procurement Rules 2014.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across the board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption.

With Regards,

Justice Zia Perwez  
Former Judge of Supreme Court of Pakistan and High Court of Sindh  
Trustee- TI-Pakistan

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

1. Chief Minister, Government of Punjab, Lahore
2. Director General, NAB, Lahore.
3. Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
4. Registrar, Lahore High Court, Lahore.
5. Managing Director, Punjab PRA, Lahore.

# FSC

## FAIZ SCIENTIFIC COMPANY

Procurement Manager,  
Head Centralized Procurement,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Head Office, BOP Tower,  
Gulberg III,  
Lahore.

FSC/QRV/DEC0602/2018  
December 6, 2018

### SUB: Query for the tender of Branded Computer, Finger Print Reader

Dear Sir,

With reference to the subject mentioned above, M/s Faiz Scientific Company would like to participate in the said tender. We however, have some queries regarding it which are mentioned as under:

1. On page 6 of the tender document, Item # 4 of mandatory Requirements, Bank of Punjab is requiring average net income of Rs. 200 million annually in the previous 3 years. Similarly on the same page, item # 5 for selling of at least 3000 units each year in the last 3 years including 3 major banks is required. Furthermore item # 6 of the same page is asking for training & certification offered by the manufacturer. Requesting to please waive this condition as it falls in the category of Discriminatory and Difficult Condition mentioned below.
2. Vendor technical Qualification is asking for vendors experience in SAN Storages and Servers. We are quoting for branded Desktop Computers and having an experience of SAN Storages is not fair at all.
3. On Page 7 "NOTE" which says "Non-compliance with any of above mandatory requirement will lead to disqualification of the firm & not considered for technical criteria". Kindly reconsider conditions in **mandatory requirements** as four of those conditions are not as per regular tender requirements by banks all across Pakistan.
4. Page 7 "Vendor technical Qualification Criteria" give 15 marks to Tier 1/ Gold Partner with the Principal. You are requested to waive this criteria as there is no mentioning of Tier 1 partner in PPRA laws, neither it's a common practice for tenders from the banks.
5. Three service centers across Pakistan by the Principal. Page 7 Point 3. As the distribution list for your branches is not specified, it is guaranteed that support will be provided all across Pakistan. 3 Service centers is a biased term.
6. Experience/ criteria for Bio metric device is fairly easy and simple. Why adding **servers** and **laptops** to show experience for desktop procurement.
7. Page 8 Note 2 (c). Sample provided must match the quoted product. We can provide you sample of an upgraded specs. Kindly eliminate this condition too.
8. These conditions violates PPRA Punjab rule # 34 which says:

*"Discriminatory and difficult conditions.— Save as otherwise provided, no procuring agency shall introduce any condition, which discriminates between bidders or which is difficult to meet.  
Explanation.- In ascertaining the discriminatory or difficult nature of any condition, reference shall be made to the ordinary practices of that trade, manufacturing, construction business or service to which that particular procurement is related."*

