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Superintendent of Police,  
The Punjab Highway Patrol,  
Sargodha Region,  
Sargodha, Punjab.

**Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Superintendent of Police, The Punjab Highway Patrol, Sargodha's Tender Notice for Miscellaneous Services and Items.**

This is with reference to The Punjab Highway Patrol, Sargodha's Tender Notice, published in daily "Khabrain" on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the PPRA 2014.

As per Term and Condition No. 12 in the advertisement, "Punjab Highway Patrol reserves the right to approve or reject any tender without assigning any reason". However, it is not complying with, PPRA 2014, Rule No. 35, which requires that reason should be communicated to bidders. Therefore the advertisement is in violation of Rule No. 35 of PPRA Rules 2014. Stated as under;

**35. 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.*  
(2) *the procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any bidder, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but shall not be required to justify those grounds.*

The above information is forwarded for the purpose of avoiding mis-procurement charge under Rule No 69, and with request to re-invite the tender under the prescribed procedures or issue a corrigendum and extend date accordingly.

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Dr. Justice (R) Ghous Muhammad  
Trustee  
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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.

