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Chief Executive Officer,
Lahore Transport Company,
Lahore.

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, DGM (Technical)/ Chairman Tender Committee, Engineering & Infrastructure Department, Lahore Transport Company, Lahore's Tender Notice for Hiring of Tax Consultant.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to Lahore Transport Company, Lahore's Tender Notice published in daily "The News" on 17th Aug, 2018. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the Punjab Procurement Rules 2014.

No response time is mentioned, in the advertisement, for the submission/ opening of tender. It is a violation of PPRA 2014, Rule No.14 (1). Stated as under;

14. Response time:- (1) The procuring agency may decide the response time for receipt of bids or proposals (including proposals for pre-qualification) from the date of publication of an advertisement or notice, keeping in view the complexity of the procurement, availability and urgency but, in no circumstances, the response time shall be less than fifteen days for national competitive bidding and thirty days for international competitive bidding from the date of publication of advertisement or notice.

It is mentioned in Punjab PPRA 'Tender Guidelines' on their website, that the Notice should contain closing date, time and place for receiving proposals (Copy Attached).

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.

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.



LAHORE TRANSPORT COMPANY

"The company is registered under Section 42 of the Companies Act, 2017 in the province of Punjab, with the Registrar Joint Stock Companies, Lahore"



TENDER NOTICE FOR HIRING OF TAX CONSULTANT

Lahore Transport Company is a non-profit organization, wholly owned by the Government of Punjab and registered under Section 42 of the Companies Act, 2017 in the province of Punjab, with the Registrar Joint Stock Companies, Lahore. Lahore Transport Company intends to invite sealed bids from big four (4) Chartered Accountant Firms for "Hiring of Tax Consultant".

Interested bidders are requested to submit sealed bids, clearly mention tender name on envelopes and marked to the DGM (Technical)/Chairman Tender Committee at Lahore Transport Company, 4th Floor, 97-B-D/1, Liberty Roundabout, IEP Building Gulberg-III, Lahore on or before August, 2018 at 11:00am along with documents as mentioned in RFP/bidding documents, the bids shall be opened on same day at 11:30am on the same day in the presence of the bidders or their representatives who may choose to be present.

Terms & Conditions:-

1. Processing fee in the form of Demand Draft/Pay Order of Rs. 2,000/- (non-refundable) favoring Lahore Transport Company must be attached with the Technical Bid. No bid will be entertained without processing fee. Other terms and conditions of bidders are mentioned in the RFP/Bidding Documents.
2. The bids submitted after the above referred closing date and time shall be rejected and returned without being opened.
3. The bid security equal to Rs.26 000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Thousand only) (up to 5% of estimated cost) in the form of Demand Draft/Pay Order in favor of Lahore Transport Company must be attached with the Technical Bid, failing which the bid will be considered as non-responsive and shall be rejected.
4. The Bid Security will be returned to the unsuccessful bidder upon award of agreement of successful bidder.
5. Single stage two envelopes procedure will be adopted as per sub rule 2 (a) of Rule 38 of Punjab PPRA rules 2014 (amended in 2017).
6. LTC may reject all bids or proposal at any time prior to the acceptance of a bid or proposal. LTC shall upon request communicate to any company/firm who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but is not required to justify those grounds.
7. The advertisement and RFP/bidding documents can be downloaded on the websites of Punjab Procurement
8. Regulatory Authority (<http://www.ppra.punjab.gov.pk>) and Lahore Transport Company. (<http://www.ltc.gov.pk>) or can be collected from below mentioned LTC office during office hours.

DGM (Technical)/ Chairman Tender Committee
Engineering & Infrastructure Department
Lahore Transport Company

4th Floor, 97-B-D/1, Liberty Roundabout, IEP Building Gulberg-III, Lahore.

Tel# 042-111-582-111 Fax# 042-99268200

Email: procurement@ltc.gov.pk Website: www.ltc.gov.pk

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Tender Guidelines

The tenders should essentially include the following information:

- Name of procuring agency
- Tender number (for identification)
- Procurement Title (indicating type and quantity)
- Contact person (for seeking bidding documents)
- Last date for obtaining bidding documents and its price (if any)
- Closing time and date as well as place for receiving bids
- Time and Place of public opening of bids (Bids must be opened on the closing date at least thirty minutes after the deadline for submission of bids)
- Amount of bid security (% age of estimated price)
- Procurement Method
- In case the tender notice involve different categories of goods, work or services, the procuring agency must mention to whether the evaluation shall be item wise or on accumulative cost basis
- Bid validity period
- The bidding document shall be made available to the interested firms/prospecting bidders, immediately after the bidding notice is published