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Superintendent,
Central Jail,
Mianwali, Punjab.

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Superintendent, Central Jail, Mianwali's Tender Notice for Bulk Purchase of Medicines.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to Central Jail, Mianwali's Tender Notice published in daily "Nawaiwaqt" on 19th May, 2017. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the PPRA Rules, 2014.

1. As per advertisement, the bidding documents can be purchased till 28-05-2017, which means tender documents are not available for the bidders for 15 days. The rule "Response Time" includes purchase of tender documents for the bidder from the date of publishing of advertisement till the date of submission of bids. Therefore, this is a violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No.14 (1).

***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.*

2. Also, "the mentioned quantity is an estimation which can be increase or decrease", whereas per rules, any change in tender conditions, specifications and quantity after the opening of the bid by procuring agency is not allowed under Rules. However, according to PPRA 2014, Rule No. 59 (c) (iv), repeat orders cannot exceed more than 15% of the original quantity. Stated as under;

***59. Alternative methods of procurements.-** A procuring agency may utilize the following alternative methods of procurement of goods, services and works:*

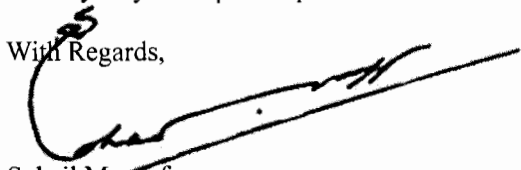
(c) direct contracting: a procuring agency shall only engage in direct contracting if any of the following conditions exist:

(iv) repeat orders not exceeding fifteen per cent of the original procurement;

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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With Regards,


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Chairman

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.

