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Senior Headmistresses,
Government Bashir Memorial Girls High School,
Ferozpur Road,
Lahore.

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Senior Headmistresses, Government Bashir Memorial Girls High School, Lahore's Tender Notice for Canteen.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to Government Bashir Memorial Girls High School, Lahore's Tender Notice published in daily "Nawaiwaq" on 2nd September, 2016. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the PPRA Rules, 2014.

1. As per advertisement, 15 days of response time is not given and it is mentioned that tenders should reach within 9 days of the publication of the advertisement, which is 6 days short. It is in 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.

2. Also, it is mentioned that tenders should reach within 9 days of the publication of the advertisement, while opening is kept on the next day. It is violation of PPRA 2014, Rule 30(1). Stated as under;

30. Opening of bids.- (1) The date for opening of bids and the last date for the submission of bids shall be the same; and, bids shall be opened at the time specified in the bidding documents which shall not less than thirty minutes after the closing time for the submission of bids.

3. Also, Government Bashir Memorial Girls High School, Lahore reserves the right to cancel any one or all tenders without assigning any reason. However, as per Rule No. 35, PPRA Rules 2014, the reason of rejection should be communicated to the bidders. 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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With Regards,

Sohail Muzzafar
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.

