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Project Director,
Project Management Unit (PMU),
Energy Department,
Government of Punjab,
Lahore.

Sub: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Project Director, Project Management Unit (PMU), Energy Department, Lahore's Tender Notice for Hiring of Vehicles on Rent.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to Energy Department, Project Management Unit (PMU), Lahore's Tender Notice, published in daily "The News" on 6th October, 2017. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the Punjab Procurement Rules 2014.

1. As per advertisement PMU, Energy Department, Lahore has restricted the bidder to supply 'Rental Vehicles' of specific brand only and has not added "**or equivalent**" with it, which is not allowed under PPRA 2014, Rule No. 10(2). Stated as under:

10. Specifications:- (2) The Specifications shall be generic and shall not include references to brand names, model numbers, catalogue numbers or similar classifications but if the procuring agency is satisfied that the use of, or a reference to, a brand name or a catalogue number is essential to complete an otherwise incomplete specification, such use or reference shall be qualified with the words "or equivalent".

2. Also, "The Competent Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids at any stage without incurring any liability". 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.

3. Also, "Quantity may vary as per requirement", 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:

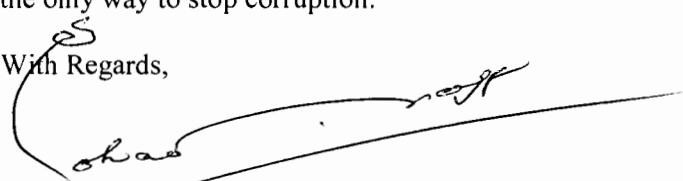
(iv) repeat orders not exceeding fifteen per cent of the original procurement;



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.

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

With Regards,


Sohail Muzaffar
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.



**PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT (PMU)
ENERGY DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
TENDER NOTICE
HIRING OF VEHICLES ON RENT**

No.
T/01/PMU/20
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Project Management Unit (PMU) invites sealed bids from recognized Firms/Consortiums & experienced vehicle rentals, registered with sales tax and Income tax departments for rented vehicle transport services on monthly/ daily rental basis with driver. The tender document can be collected from office of undersigned on working days during office hours (Monday to Friday , 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM) after payment of Rs 500/- in form of pay Order /Demand Draft " Khadm-e-Punjab Ujala Program" .

Interested companies/firms/Consortiums must submit bids in the mode and manner specified in bidding document to undersigned or send through Courier before **October 23, 2017** up to 10:00 a.m. in the office and shall be opened on same day at 10:30 a.m. in the presence of the representative of the firms who may wish to attend. Bid Security 2% of the estimated bid price i.e., Rs 30,000 must be furnished in the shape of CDR/PO/BG in favor of the "Khadm-e-Punjab Ujala Program".

No.	Name & Description of Rental Vehicles	Model	Quantity
01	Toyota Hilux Double Cabin (4x4)	2016 or higher	01
02	Honda Civic (1.8) Car	2016 or higher	01
03	Toytoa Corolla (1.3) Car	2016 or higher	01
04	Suzuki Cultus (1.0) Car	2016 or higher	01

Note: Quantity may vary as per requirement.

Terms & Conditions:

1. Terms and conditions are mentioned in the tender document.
2. The Competent Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids at any stage or cancel the bidding process without incurring any liability.
3. The contract can be terminated with one month notice
4. Incomplete, conditional and bids without appropriate bid security shall not be considered.
5. The tender notice is also available on the websites of PPRA and Energy Department website, www.ppra.punjab.gov.pk and www.energy.punjab.gov.pk

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