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Ref No. NICVD/45/2699

Sohail Muzaffar
Chairman
Transparency International Pakistan.

Subject: Violation of Sindh Public Procurement Rules 2010, Complaint Against National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases for Unfair Practices in Procurement for Installation of CCTV Surveillance System in Tender 49/2016 dated 20-4-16

Dear Mr Sohail Muzaffar:

Reference to your letter Ref No. 17/0905/9A dated May 9, 2017, please find below responses to the complainant's allegations:

1. A bid opening procedure is a simple procedure requiring the assessment of participants' documentation as per the bidding documents. No technical evaluation is done during tender opening; hence there is no need of a Technical Committee to open the bids. No bid was rejected due to any form.
2. The designed paper has always been a part of the tender/bidding package. It carries the criteria on which technical specifications are evaluated.
3. The complainant missed out on details, and the same was announced in the presence of all participants.
4. NICVD accepts the customized formats and the rejection is based on incomplete criteria or documents.
5. Please note that the bidding process at NICVD is transparent and in complete compliance with the SPPRA. All bids are opened in the presence of all present participants and all selection/rejections based on incomplete documents are publicly announced. New vendors are encouraged to participate and given every opportunity to participate in NICVD procurement. Since these are sealed bids, and opened in the presence of all participants, there is no possibility of favoritism, pre-decided settings or kickbacks. This is a highly defamatory allegation and the NICVD can exercise its right to initiate legal action against M/S Electronic Safety & Security Private Limited for this accusation.

Let me take this opportunity to assure Transparency International that NICVD, funded for its operations by the Government of Sindh to directly cater to the benefit of poor and needy patients,

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ensures that all grants/funds are stretched to best possible utilization, in the most transparent manner.

Sincerely,

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Chief Operating Officer.

CC: Chief Minister, Government of Sindh
Chief Justice, Sindh High Court, Karachi
Director General, NAB, Karachi
Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh, Karachi
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