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Divisional Superintendent,
Pakistan Railways,
Divisional Office,
Sukkur, Sindh.

**Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, Divisional Superintendent, Pakistan Railways,
Divisional Office, Sukkur's Tender Notice for Provision of Items.**

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to Pakistan Railways, Sukkur's Tender Notice published in daily "Jang" on 18th April, 2017. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the PPRA Rules 2004.

1. As per the advertisement, the last date for submission of bids is given as 26-04-2017, which is 6 days short. It is a violation of PPRA Rules 2004, Rule No.13 (1):

13. 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 individual procurement's complexity, availability and urgency. However, under 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 made clear to the tenderers that the quantities/works of the tender are approximate, which can be increased/decreased or delete without notice". Any change in tender conditions, specifications and quantity after bid opening by procuring agency is not allowed under Rules. However according to PPRA Rules 2004, No. 42 (c) (iv), repeat orders cannot exceed more than 15% of the original quantity. Stated as under;

*42. Alternative methods of procurements.- A procuring agency may utilize the following alternative methods of procurement of goods, services and works, namely:-
(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 50, 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. Secretary to Prime Minister, Islamabad.
2. Director General, NAB, Karachi.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister's Inspection Commission, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.

