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Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, EVP/ Divisional Head, Logistic & Support Group, NBP, Karachi's Tender Notice for Procurement of High End Server.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to NBP, Karachi's Tender Notice published in daily "Express" on 9th December, 2015. It is observed that the advertisement is in violation of the PPRA Rules 2004.

As per advertisement, the interested participants are instructed to obtain bidding documents on or before the 18th of December, whereas the submission date and opening date of the bids is kept on December 24, 2015. This discrepancy does not allow the bidding documents to be available for purchase for 15 days till the date of submission of bids. The rule "Response Time" includes purchase of bidding documents for the bidder from the date of publishing of advertisement till the date of submission of bids. Therefore, this is a violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, Rule No.13 (1). Stated as under:

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.

The above information is forwarded for the purpose of avoiding the mis-procurement charge under Rule No 50, and with request to re-invite the tender notice 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, Rawalpindi.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister's Inspection Commission, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.



Procurement of High End Server Tender ID: NBP/LSG/ITD/09122015

1. National Bank of Pakistan, one of the largest commercial bank operating in Pakistan invites sealed bids from the authorized distributors/ suppliers/Contractors etc. registered with Federal/Provincial Income Tax and Sales Tax Departments and on Active Tax Payer List of FBR for procurement of high end server.

2. Bidding documents, containing detailed terms and conditions, method of procurement, procedure for submission of bids, bid security, bid validity, opening of bid, evaluation criteria, bill of quantity, product technical requirements, clarification/rejection of bids, performance guarantee etc. are available for the interested bidders from the office of undersigned after submission of a Non-Disclosure Agreement valid for 5 years (specimen of NDA may be obtained from the office of the undersigned) along with copy of CNIC and Company's Authority Letter on or before December 18, 2015 during office hours. Price of the bidding documents is Rs.2500 (non-refundable) in form of a pay order in favor of National Bank of Pakistan.

3. The bids, prepared in accordance with the instructions in the bidding documents, must reach at the office of undersigned on or before December 24, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. Bids will be opened on the same day at 11:00 a.m. publicly in the presence of Tender Opening Committee and bidders who opt to attend. NBP reserves the right to cancel this invitation at any stage of the tender. This advertisement is also available on NBP (www.nbp.com.pk) and PPRA (www.ppra.org.pk) websites.

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