



29th March, 2018

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Mr. Saeed Ahmad,
President,
National Bank of Pakistan,
NBP Head Office Building,
I.I. Chundrigar Road,
Karachi.

**Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004 by NBP
in Procurement of Security Guards Services**

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan, has received copy of the complaint by APSAA, objecting of NBP prequalification documents for the Procurement of Security Guards Services, NIT issued on 7th November 2017. Copy enclosed.

Following condition of NIT has been objected,

Para 3d, Page 5 of RFP issues thereof and reproduced as under, refers (Copies attached).

“The Bank reserves the right to distribute the work among the shortlisted firms keeping in view their relative strengths and operation convenience. Therefore, **the lowest tendering bidder/firm shall not have sole claim over the complete order, even not get more than 25% share of total strength in all regions as defined in the Bank outsourcing policy.**”

TI Pakistan is of the view that according to the Public Procurement Rules 2004, NBP has to award the contract only to the lowest responsive bidder, and NBP cannot distribute contracts amongst contractors of NBP choice. In case NBP wants to award more than one Contract, say five, then NBP has to invite five separate tenders.

TI Pakistan request the President, NBP to cancel the tender, and re invite the procurement of Security Guards Services in compliance to Public Procurement Rules 2004, in order to avoid mis-procurement under Rule No 50.



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With Regards,

Sohail Muzaffar,
Chairman

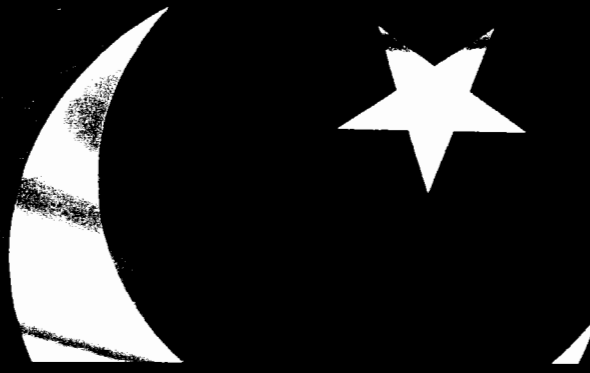
Encl: Copy of complaint

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to:

1. Principal Secretary to PM, PM House, Islamabad.
2. Chairman, National Accountability Bureau, Islamabad.
3. Minister of Finance, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.
6. Chairman, APSAA, DHA, Karachi.



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All Pakistan Security Agencies Association

Managing Director
Public Procurement Regulatory Authority
Islamabad.

21st March, 2018

Subject: Cancellation of Tender.

Dear Sir,

All Pakistan Security Agencies Association (APSAA) is a government licensed association and sole representative of security companies in Pakistan. It has been reported by some of our member companies that some provisions of PPRA rules have been violated by National Bank of Pakistan in the tender of Security Guard Services. The details are given below.

National Bank of Pakistan's NIT for prequalification of Security Guard Services dated 7th November, 2017.

and

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The above mentioned Para covered under tenders other terms and conditions is clear violations of PPR Rule No. 38 (Acceptance of Bids) which states:

"That the bidder with the lowest evaluated bid, if not in conflict with any other law, rules, regulations or policy of the Federal Government, shall be awarded the procurement contract, within the original or extended period of bid validity".

Here is evident that the procuring agency is giving more preference as regard to Bank's outsourcing policy over PPRA Federal Rules. Such clear violation of laws merits cancellation of bidding process immediately and re-drafting of the bidding documents in true letter and spirit in line with Public Procurement Rules 2004, before the contract is awarded on personal liking and or disliking, please.

Yours sincerely,

Major Munir Ahmed Retd.
Chairman APSAA

- CC: 1. Chairman – Transparency International Pakistan
2. President National Bank of Pakistan

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