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The President,
National Bank of Pakistan,
Karachi.

Sub: Procurement of Queue Management System.

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint regarding the above procurement. The complainant has alleged that NBP is requiring prospective bidders to sign a non-disclosure form before issuing of tender documents.

The non-disclosure requirement is against the basic tenets of PPRA rules. The rules require transparency in all public procurement. As per PPRA rules, the advertisement, the tender documents, the evaluation reports and all documents relating to the award of work have to be uploaded on the PPRA website. Hence all this information is of public knowledge. There should not be any information in these documents that NBP does not desire to be made public.

The non-disclosure clause should be required to be signed by the successful bidder so that any information that he may come across during the implementation of the project may not be disclosed to anyone. A condition for the successful bidder to sign the non-disclosure may be included in the bidding documents.

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

Justice Zia Perwez
Former Judge of Supreme Court of Pakistan and High Court of Sindh
Trustee- TI-Pakistan

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

1. Secretary to Prime Minister, Islamabad.
2. Chairman, NAB, Islamabad.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister's Inspection Commission, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.