



17<sup>th</sup> July, 2009

Mr. S. Ali Raza  
President,  
National Bank of Pakistan,  
NBP Head Office Building,  
I.I. Chundriger Road,  
Karachi.

**Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004 in NBP**  
**Complaint of one bidder for assignment of Project Management Consultancy**  
**Services in implementation of Core Banking Application at NBP Tender ID:**  
**NBP/ITG/PU/30012009**

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan, has received the unsatisfactory response from Mr. Mohd. Shahid Razak, SVP HP &IW on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2009 in response to its two letters writtewn to you on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2009 & 24<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

NBP stand that as the complaint has been withdrawn on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2004, by Mr. Shahid Ahmed Khan, Managing Partner of firm, there is no need to invoke Rule 48, is not correct.

The NBP SVP did not mention about TI Pakistan anther letter written to Mr. Shahid Ahmed Khan, Managing Partner, M/s Anjum Asim Shahid Rahman on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2009, which was also copied to NBP. May be he was not passed on this letter by President NBP office.

Transparency International Pakistan appreciates the admission of Mr. Mohd. Shahid Razak, SVP on the NBP public announcement of M/s Anjum Asim Shahid Rahman as the Qualified and Successful bidder.

However, following important questions/violations still remain unanswered, which are mandatory under Public Procurement Rules 2004, and may be examined by NBP.

1. NBP under Rule No. 33 is entitled reject all bids or proposals at any time prior to the acceptance of a bid or proposal, the procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any supplier or contractor who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but is not required to justify those grounds, and also that the notice of the rejection of all bids or proposals shall be given promptly to all suppliers or contractors that submitted bids or proposals.

The NBP Tender Cancellation Notice ( copy attached) is against the Rules. As accepted by Mr. Mohd. Shahid Razak, SVP HP &IW NBP, the announcement of Anjum Asim Shahid Rehman ("AASR") as the successful bidder was posted on the website of National Bank of Pakistan. Rule 48 therefore has to be invoked, to determine the reason of cancellation of Tender, after the successful bidder has been publicly announced on the website of NBP. This is to be noted that the tenders have not been discharged, but NBP has cancelled the tender and the RFP, after the selection of successful bidders was determined as per PPRA rules.





2. NBP under Rule 35 shall announced the results of bid evaluation in the form of a report giving justification for acceptance or rejection of bids at least ten days prior to the award of procurement.

NBP has violated Rule 35 and did not announce/ published the results of bid evaluation in the form of a report giving justification for acceptance or rejection of bids. NBP only published announcement of successful bidder and bidder's name. ( copy attached.).

3. NBP has not responded on the report of Mr. Kamran Hafiz on the CBA hardware draft tender documents prepared by CBA vender M/s Fidelity Information System you have objected that the specifications are tailor made for a specific product, which is not allowed under PPR 2004 Rule 10.

NBP has to ensure that the Specifications shall allow the widest possible competition and shall not favour any single contractor or supplier nor put others at a disadvantage.

TI Pakistan again request NBP to apply the Rule No 48 Redressal of grievances by the procuring agency, and investigate this complain, and after the inquiry is completed provide a copy of the decision taken by NBP and the Committee formed by NBP.

With Regards,

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2. Chairman, PAC, Islamabad
3. Chairman, National Accountability Bureau, Islamabad
4. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad. .
5. President, ICAP, Chartered Accountant avenue, Clifton , Karachi.

**TENDER CANCELATION FOR HIRING PROJECT MANAGEMENT  
CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF CORE BANKING  
APPLICATION Project ID: NBP/ITG/PU/30012009**

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**RESULT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICES IN  
IMPLEMENTATION OF CORE BANKING APPLICATION AT NBP  
TENDER ID: NBP/ITG/PU/30012009**

VENDOR NAME	RESULT
M/S. ANJUM ASIM SHAHID RAHMAN CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS	QUALIFIED & SUCCESSFUL BIDDER

Head of I.T Procurement Unit  
NATIONAL BANK OF PAKISTAN