



NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY
27 Mauve Area, G-9/1

No. 2(2) NHA/GM(PPP)/2015/101

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Subject :- **NEWS ON UNSOLICITED AWARD OF KARACHI-HYDERABAD
MOTORWAY M-9 PROJECT ON BOT BASIS TO M/S FWO AT RS 36
BILLION, PREVIOUSLY AWARDED AS UNSOLICITED
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO FWO IN 2013 AT RS 13 BILLION**


Reference TIP's letter No. NIL dated 12th March 2015 regarding subject matter.

2. Karachi-Hyderabad Super Highway (M-9) was never awarded to M/s Frontier Works Organization (FWO) on single tender basis neither in 2013 nor the current BOT project.

3. The project was advertised in the Newspapers, NHA Website etc etc, as per the requirement of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) (copy of advertisement at Annexure-I). The Request for Proposal (RFP) were issued to all prequalified bidders. The three bids received were evaluated following pre-defined procedure as announced in the RFP and NHA following the rules and regulation for award of work, awarded the project to the "Accepted Evaluated Bidder" i.e. M/s FWO.

4. As far as BOT contract with Malaysian firm is concerned, please be apprised that the firm could not achieve the required Financial Close as per the terms and condition of the Concession Agreement signed between NHA and the company. As far as the rates of FWO are concerned they are within the permissible limit qualifying for award of work.

5. In the end, it is reiterated that National Highway Authority (NHA) has not violated any rule.


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