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18th October 2011

Cantonment Executive Officer,
Okara Cantonment Board,
Okara.

Sub: Violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004, Okara Cantonment Board, Short Tender Notice for annual maintenance and repair works.

Dear Sir,

The Okara Cantonment Board, Okara's short tender notice for annual maintenance and repair work, published in daily "Dawn" on 18th October 2011, is against the Public Procurement Rules 2004.

A minimum period of 15 days is mandatory to submit applications from the date of publication of advertisement notice in press, whereas the Okara Cantonment Board has given only 04 days to apply for purchase of tender forms and only 01 day for tender form submission, which is a violation of Public Procurement Rules 2004. The rule is quoted below for your reference;

13. Response time.- *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.*

All advertisements or notices shall expressly mention the response time allowed for that particular procurement along with the information for collection of bid documents which shall be issued till a given date, allowing sufficient time to complete and submit the bid by the closing date.

It is not possible for the bidders to complete the formalities and match the specifications mentioned in the tender forms within a day. According to the Public Procurement Rules 2004, at least fifteen days are given to the bidders so they can obtain correct market prices, type, quality and other details required for the procurement and complete supplementary paper works.

Ministry of Defence has also taken serious notice of Public Procurement Rules 2004 violations. In this regard, TI-Pakistan refers to Ministry of Defence's letter No 2/2/D-18/2009 dated January 31st 2011, which states that "the PPRA Rules must be observed in their perspective in letter & spirit while making procurements. Violation of those rules will be viewed seriously and Head of Department/ Organisation will be held responsible for the same".



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 under the prescribed procedures.

TI Pakistan is striving to have Rule of Law in Pakistan.

With Regards,

Syed Adil Gilani
Adviser

Copies forwarded for the information and necessary action under the Law of Pakistan:

1. Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Islamabad.
2. Secretary, Defence Division, Rawalpindi.
3. Chairman, NAB, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court.
5. Auditor General, Islamabad.
6. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.



October 18, 2011

OFFICE OF THE CANTONMENT BOARD OKARA CANTT SHORT TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders based on MES Schedule of Rates, 2009 are invited for the following annual repair and maintenance works 2011-12 from registered/approved contractor of Cantonment Board Okara who have deposited the renewal fee for the year 2011-12 and also filed an upto date valid copy of P.E.C. (Pakistan Engineering Council). Application for the issuance of tender forms must reach the undersigned latest by **21.10.2011** on working day during office hours. The cost of Tender form will be deposited on **24.10.2011**. The tender form will be issued on 24.10.2011 which will be received/opened on **25.10.2011** in the presence of the tenderers or their authorized agents at 11:00 Hours.

S. No.	Description of works	Estimated Cost Rs.	Earnest Money Rs.	Cost of Tender form (non-refundable)	Time limit
1.	Annual Maintenance and repair of Cantt Fund Buildings.	30,00,000/-	60,000/-	1,000/-	Upto 30-06-2012
2.	Annual Maintenance and repair of Cantt Fund Roads.	13,00,000/-	26,000/-	600/-	Upto 30-06-2012
3.	Annual Maintenance and repair of Cantt Fund Drainage.	10,00,000/-	20,000/-	400/-	Upto 30-06-2012
4.	Annual Maintenance and repair of Water Supply Lines (i.e. G.I., A.C., U.P.V.C. Pipe lines)	15,00,000/-	30,000/-	600/-	Upto 30-06-2012
5.	Annual Miscellaneous Public Improvement (i.e. Const./repair of foot path, brick pavement, electric poles improvement of parks sign boards cat eyes and s/f of grills etc.)	50,00,000/-	1,00,000/-	1,000/-	Upto 30-06-2012
6.	Annual Maintenance and repair of CGH Building and C.B. School Building.	14,00,000/-	28,000/-	600/-	Upto 30-06-2012

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Earnest Money at the rate of 2% of the estimated cost in shape of call deposit in favor of Cantonment Executive Officer, Okara Cantt must accompany with the tender form otherwise the tender will not be entertained. Cheque/Cash will not be accepted.
- Conditional tender will not be accepted.
- The Cantonment Board reserves the right to demand the analysis of quoted rates to check their reasonability and workability.
- The firm/contractor whose rate is accepted will be required to execute an agreement on non-judicial stamp paper of appropriate value.
- The Cantonment Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
- Estimated amount can be decreased or increased to the extent of completion/finalization of project. The Contractor shall be bound for the execution of additional work on the same rate.
- The Cantt Board shall not issue any kind of store.
- Work will be awarded subject to the sanction of the Competent Authority/ site clearance.
- In case of non acceptance / rejection of tenders on the above Schedule and dates the Schedule for re-tendering will be as under. No separate advertisement in this respect will be published.
 - Issue of tender form **27.10.2011**
 - Receipt/ Opening of tender **28.10.2011** at 11:00 hours
- Other terms and condition can be seen in the office of Cantt Engineer/Cantt Overseer on any working day during office hours. P/10/1/914

(FARASAT ALI SHAH) Cantonment Executive Officer, Okara Cantonment

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
D-18 SECTION**

Subject:- IMPLEMENTATION OF PPRA RULE, 2004

Reference Ministry of Defence n.o. note of even number dated 4th July, 2010 circulating National Assembly Secretariat (PAC Wing), circular No.F.1(1)2010-PAC dated 21st June, 2010.

2. Deputy Director General (Defence Service Audit) has observed that Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004 are not being observed in different entities of Ministry of Defence in letter and spirit. This has been viewed with concern by the Principal Accounting Officer i.e. Secretary Defence.

3. The Public Accounts Committee vide their letter No.F.1(1)2010-PAC, dated 21-06-2010 made similar observations.

4. It is reiterated that the PPRA Rules must be observed in their true perspective in letter & spirit, while making procurements. Violation of those rules will be viewed seriously and Head of Department/Organizations will be held responsible for the same.

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Deputy Secretary (Coord)
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Min of Def n.o. No.P12/2/D-18/2009, dated 1st January, 2011

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