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Divisional Forest Officer / Deputy Project In-Charge,
Command and Control Centers,
Lahore.

Subject: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Divisional Forest Officer / Deputy Project In-Charge, Command and Control Centers, Lahore's Tender Notice for Video Wall for Centralized Command & Control Centre Along with All Accessories, Power Backup, Installation Etc.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Nai Baat' Newspaper on 29 October, 2025. The said advertisement is in violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No. 14 'Response Time'.


In the tender notice, the submission and opening date of bid is given on 06-11-2025, where it does not fulfill the fifteen days of response time, and is six (6) days less. It is a violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule 14. The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

14. Response time.-- (1) The procuring agency may decide the response time for receipt of bids or proposals (including proposals for prequalification) from the date of publication of an advertisement or notice keeping in view the complexity of the procurement, availability and urgency but, in 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.

Divisional Forest Officer / Deputy Project In-Charge, Command and Control Centers is requested to rectify the given mistake and issue corrigendum in accordance with Punjab Procurement Rules 2014 to avoid misprocurement under Rule 69.

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

Regards,



Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar,
Trustee/Legal Advisor
Transparency International Pakistan

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

1. Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
2. Managing Director, Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority, Lahore.

Note:

This is to clarify that Transparency International Pakistan is not a complainant, it acts as a whistleblower and operate under Article 19-A, of the Constitution of Pakistan which gives the right to public to know how government is being run by public officers. Article 19-A makes the right to access of information pertaining to a public authority a fundamental right, and a three member bench in case of Mukhtar Ahmad Ali vs the Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad, headed by Chief Justice Qazi Faez Isa in the landmark judgment on 16 October 2023, in CP No. 3532/2023, has declared that

“What previously may have been on a need-to-know basis Article 19A of the Constitution has transformed it to a right-to-know, and the Access to information is no longer a discretion granted through occasional benevolence, but is now a fundamental right available with every Pakistani which right may be invoked under Article 19A of the Constitution”

E-PAD TENDER NOTICE

The tenders for purchase/ supply of following items are invited on Single Stage Two Envelope procedure as per PPRA E- Tendering System in line with PPRA Rules (amended updated) in Lahore Forest Division, Punjab Forest Department from sales tax / income tax registered firms (Active tax payers) for the year 2025-26 under the development scheme titled "ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTERS AND 24/7 FOREST OPERATIONAL BASES". Detail is as under:-

1. The interested contractors/Firms have to be registered on Punjab PPRA website (www.punjab.eprocure.gov.pk). Any information/procedure regarding registration can be seen / obtained from website (ppra.punjab.gov.pk/e-procurement).
2. The tender will be performed by adopting Single Stage Two Envelope bidding procedure as per PPRA rules 2014. Tendering documents should contain Technical and Financial Proposals separately accompanied with bid security procedure. The tender will be uploaded upto 06-11-2025 at 01:00 PM and the Technical Bids will be opened on the same day at 01:30 PM by the tender opening committee in the presence of intending contractors or their representatives, who opt to attend; and whereas the Financial Bids will be open after evaluation of technical bids by the Financial Bid Opening Committee. The date of opening of financial bids will be announced on same day i.e. 06-11-2025.
3. The contractor/firms are also bound to submit original bids and CDRs in the office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Lahore Forest Division, Lahore before opening time of tender.
4. There must be no cutting/amendment in the bid quoted by the contractors through electronic system no telephonic/conditional tender and without earnest money will be entertained.
5. All the intending contractors/firms have to upload the earnest money in the form of CDR in favour of the Divisional Forest Officer, Lahore Forest Division, Lahore @ 2% of the estimated cost as per rule 27 of PPRA Rules, 2014 and fill rates against items of work on the same website upto one hour before the opening date and firm of opening of tender. However, original CDR has to be submitted to the tender opening committee on the same one hour before the opening of bids otherwise, the firm/contractor will be disqualified on presence of tender opening committee.
6. In case of submission of any false information/document such as CDR/receipt. Further recommendation to PPRA and PEC also be made against such firm / contractor for appropriate action/black listing.
7. The procuring agency reserves the rights to reject all bids or proposal at any time prior to acceptance of a bid or proposal under PPRA Rule 35 (Rejection of Bids).
8. All the PPRA rules 2014 will be followed during tenders opening procedure. The tender notice detail can also be downloaded from PPRA website.
9. The URL of the website of the PPRA is (<http://eproc.punjab.gov.pk/ViewTender.aspx>) and response time shall be calculated exclusively from the date of publication (17-10-2025) of the advertisement on the website of the PPRA.

Sr. #	Particulars of work	Qty / No.	Estimated Cost (Rs)	Earnest Money (Rs.)
1	Video Wall for Centralized Command & Control Center Along with All Accessories, Power Backup, Installations Etc.	01 No.	PKR 29,000,000/-	580,000

**DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER/
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