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**Subject: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Procurement Department Punjab  
Healthcare Commission Tender Notice for Hiring of Hotel Services all of Punjab**

Dear Sir,

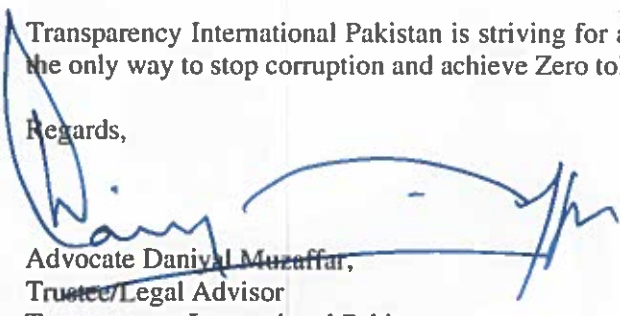
This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Dunya' Newspaper on 20th September 2024. The said advertisement is in violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No. 14 'Response Time'. In the tender notice, the submission and opening dates of bids are given on 02.10.2024, where it does not fulfill the fifteen days of response time and is three (3) 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.*

The Procurement Department of Punjab Healthcare Commission is requested to rectify the given mistake and issue a corrigendum in accordance with Punjab Procurement Rules 2014 to avoid mis-procurement 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 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 operates under Article 19-A, of the Constitution of Pakistan which gives the right to the public to know how the government is being run by public officers. Article 19-A makes the right to access information pertaining to a public authority a fundamental right, and a three-member bench in the 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."*



**PUNJAB HEALTHCARE COMMISSION**  
**TENDER NOTICE**  
**Hiring of Services of Hotels**

The Punjab Healthcare Commission (PHC) is an independent regulatory body, established under the PHC Act, 2010. The PHC invites sealed bids/proposals/rates for Hiring of Hotel Services all of Punjab from eligible firms/hotels/services providers engaged in provision of these services, registered with relevant Registration Authorities and Tax Departments/Autorities (Income Tax, Sales Tax & Punjab Sales Tax etc.). The Bids shall be received online as per Single Stage One Envelopes procedures, through e-Pak Acquisition & Disposal System (EPADS).

Tender No.	Description	Submission	Opening
No. 5/2024-25-Hotels	Corporate Rates from the Hotels (From all Tehsils and Districts of the Punjab) As mentioned in the Bidding Document	TN 2nd October 2024, at 14:00 Hours	2nd October 2024, at 14:30 Hours

- Tender documents/Data form/Sheet is readily available at Websites of EPADS, PPRA & PHC which may be downloaded or obtained from the PHC Head Office/Regional Offices (Free of cost), on any working day during office hours up to 02-10-2024.
- All Proposals/Rates must be submitted online to the PHC through EPADS on or before 02-10-2024 at 14:00 Hours. Late Bids shall not be accepted by the online system. The Bids will be opened online on the same day at 14:30 Hours through EPADS, in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who may choose to be present at the address below.
- All interested parties who qualify, will be considered/empaneled for an opportunity to provide the services.
- Responding parties are requested to declare their interest and provide the following information:
  - Room Rent
  - Hotel Profile
- Incomplete, conditional bids shall not be considered. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Punjab Healthcare Commission at the address given below from 13-09-2024 to 01-10-2024, 09:00 to 17:00 hours. Bid Validity will be 120 days. In case of official holiday on the day of submission, next day will be treated as closing date. The RFP/Tender notice is available on EPADAS and the websites of PPRA and Punjab Healthcare Commission, [www.ppra.punjab.gov.pk](http://www.ppra.punjab.gov.pk), and [www.phc.org.pk](http://www.phc.org.pk).

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