



June 29, 2026

TL2026/0629/2A

Mr. Syed Asif Hyder Shah,
Chief Secretary,
Government of Sindh, Karachi.

**Subject: Complaint Against Allegations of Violation of Sindh Public Procurement Rules 2010,
in NIT ID T00612-25-0001, BER ID: 8E00612-25-0001-5 by Sindh Technical Education &
Vocational Training Authority (STEVTA)**

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint against allegations of violation of SPPRA Rules 2010 in NIT ID T00612-25-0001, BER ID: 8E00612-25-0001-5 by Sindh Technical Education & Vocational Training Authority (STEVTA) (Annex-A).

The complainant has made the following allegations:

1. The Sindh Technical Education & Vocational Training Authority (STEVTA) invited NIT ID T00612-25-0001, BER ID: 8E00612-25-0001-5.
2. The NIT and Bid Evaluation Reports were not accessible on the SPPRA portal during the bid validity period, and continue to be unavailable or inaccessible on STEVTA website.
3. The procurement was conducted under the Single Stage Two Envelope procedure; however, the list of technically qualified bidders was not published before the opening of financial bids.
4. The awarded firms do not meet mandatory eligibility requirements including PEC registration categories, financial turnover thresholds, audited financial statements, and required experience.
5. The complainant submitted a grievance letter on 25 March 2026, followed by reminder letters dated 15 April 2026 and 22 April 2026, raising concerns regarding the procurement process. These concerns were not addressed in a timely and satisfactory manner, and the procurement process proceeded, resulting in the award of the contract despite the pending grievance redressal.

Transparency International Pakistan Comments

Transparency International Pakistan has reviewed the allegations of the complaint, prima facie the allegations seem correct.

Following are TI Pakistan's comments:

1. According to SPPRA Rule 45, procuring agencies are required to announce bid evaluation results through an evaluation report stating reasons for acceptance or rejection of bids, upload it on the Authority's and procuring agency's websites, and communicate it to all bidders at least seven (07) days before contract award. In this case, the procuring agency appears to have failed to comply with these requirements. The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

45. Announcement of evaluation reports.- Procuring agencies shall announce the results of bid evaluation in the form of a report giving reasons for acceptance or rejection of bids. The report shall be hoisted on website of the Authority and that of the procuring agency if its website exists and intimated to all the bidders at least seven (07) days prior to the award of contract.



2. SPPRA Rule 31(5) requires the Complaint Redressal committee, upon receiving a complaint from an aggrieved bidder, to announce its decision within seven days; and the procuring agency shall not award the contract, as quoted below.

31. Mechanism for Redressal of Grievances — (5) The committee shall announce its decision within seven days. The decision shall be intimated to the bidder and the Authority within three working days by procuring agency. In case of failure of the committee to decide the complaint.

Transparency International Pakistan Recommendations

Transparency International Pakistan requests the Chief Secretary to examine the allegations of the complaint and if found correct, issue directives to re-invite tender in accordance with SPPRA Rules.

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 Minister Sindh, CM House, Karachi.
2. Chairman, STEVTA, Karachi.
3. Registrar, High Court of Sindh, Karachi.

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”



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Annex-A

GOVT. CONTRACTOR & GENERAL ORDER SUPPLIERS

Ref. # RK/MD/STEVTA/021/26

Date 15/06/26

To,

The Managing Director,
Sindh Technical Education & Vocational Training Authority (STEVTA),
ST-19, Block-6, Gulshan-e-Iqbal, near NIPA, Karachi.

Information Copy to:

The Managing Director,
Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (SPPRA),
Barrack No. 8, Sindh Secretariat No. 4-A, Court Road, Karachi.

Subject: Rejection of Deficient Reply, Allegations of Gross Irregularities, Total Forgery, Unlawful Payments, and Non-Compliance with SPPRA Rules regarding Tender Notice No. INF-KRY #4280/25 (NIT ID: T00612-25-0001, BER ID: BE00612-25-0001-5)

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your letter NO: STEVTA/W&S/2110/2026, dated 25th May 2026, sent in response to our first grievance letter No. RK/MD//SPPRA/016/26 dated 25th March, 2026, followed by our first reminder letter No. RK/MD//SPPRA/018/26 dated 15th April, 2026, and the second reminder letter No. RK/MD//STEVTA/020/26 dated 22nd April, 2026. After a thorough review of your reply, we find your explanations highly unsatisfactory, evasive, and based on absolute mala fide intent to cover up blatant violations.

We would like to bring the following critical points to your immediate attention:

Deliberate Delay and Mala fide Intent to Regularize Illegalities:

We submitted our initial grievance on 25th March 2026, and followed up with formal reminders on 15th April, 2026, and 22nd April 2026. Your office intentionally sat on our legitimate grievances for over two months, delaying the response until 25th May 2026. This extensive and calculated delay was a deliberate, mala fide tactic to buy time, exhaust the process, and illicitly regularize a highly corrupt procurement process in order to clear illegal payments for disqualified contractors while ignoring pending complaints.

1. Evidence of Total Forgery and Manipulation:

We categorically state that the entire procurement process involves total forgery and manipulation of official records. Documents have been backdated, altered, and fabricated to wrongfully qualify non-compliant bidders. This systemic fraud has been committed with the sole purpose of deceiving oversight bodies and misappropriating public funds.



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Non-Visibility on SPPRA Portal and Absence of Hoisted Details (NIT ID: T00612-25-0001, BER ID: BE00612-25-0001-5):

Your office claims that the tenders and Bid Evaluation Reports are visible on the SPPRA/PPMS website. However, we state on oath that during the entire Bid Validity Period, no such documents or evaluation details were accessible or available for public viewing on the portal. Furthermore, the links now provided by STEVTA (including NIT ID T00612-25-0001 and BER ID BE00612-25-0001-5) are completely inaccessible and do not open on the official website, which is a direct violation of SPPRA Rule 45.

2. Violation of Mandatory Qualification Criteria:

According to the Notice Inviting Tender, any firm awarded the contract must strictly meet the following pre-requisites: valid PEC registration in categories CE-10, EE-11, and EE-11(VI) (Solar Energy System); a minimum average annual financial turnover of PKR 50 Million in the last three years, ; Financial Statement and Income tax return for last three years along with last three years audit reports from Chartered Accountant Firm and a minimum of 5 years of general experience with the successful completion of at least 3 assignments of a similar nature in the past 3 years. We have credible factual grounds to prove that the firms awarded these contracts do not meet these mandatory threshold criteria and their selection is based on forged credentials.

3. Failure to Follow Single Stage Two Envelope Procedure:

The tender was based on a Single Stage Two Envelope methodology. As per SPPRA Rules, following the technical evaluation, the list of technically qualified firms should have been uploaded to the SPPRA portal prior to opening financial bids. This was completely by passed, obliterating the transparency required under public procurement laws.

4. Missing Financial and Audit Reports:

The participating firms were obligated to submit three-year audited financial reports and tax returns. The favoured firms have failed to fulfill these criteria transparently, making the award null, void, and illegal under the governing procurement laws.

5. Unlawful and Illegal Advance Payments:

While our formal grievances were pending and despite the clear irregularities, your office went ahead and released illegal advance payments to specific favored contractors. These payments, made by completely bypassing governing rules and during a disputed period, constitute a gross misuse of public funds. We demand immediate recovery of these unlawful disbursements.



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6. Escalation to Oversight Bodies:

Given the element of total forgery, financial corruption, and administrative collusion, we are formally placing these facts before the Anti-Corruption Establishment, National Accountability Bureau (NAB), and Transparency International for a full-scale criminal investigation.

7. Final Warning and Legal Recourse:

If our concerns are not addressed immediately and our company's legitimate rights are not restored, we reserve the right to approach the Honourable Court of Law, and we will pursue all legal options to fight for justice to the very end.

We expect a prompt and lawful resolution to this situation.

Yours faithfully,



For M/s R.K. Construction & Co.

Rais Ahmed

Proprietor / CEO

cc. to:-

Director General NAB Sindh

Chairman Anti-corruption Sindh

✓ Transparency International Pakistan