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Provincial Election Commissioner (Balochistan), Office of the Provincial Election Commissioner Balochistan, Zarghoon Road, Quetta, Balochistan.

Subject: Violation of PPRA Rules 2004, Deputy Director (Admn), Provincial Election Commission, Balochistan's Tender Notice Supply of Hardware and Machinery Items.

Dear Sir.

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Dawn' newspaper on 29th August, 2023. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 31(1) 'Clarification of bids'.

In the said tender notice, it is mentioned under p. 16, that; "The procuring agency reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of items being purchased at any stage as per requirement."

As per PPRA 2004, Rule No. 31(1), "Clarification of bids" it clearly mentioned that the bidder shall not be allowed to alter or modify his bid after the submission of bids. In case the procuring agency makes alterations or changes to the bid it will impact the bidder's bid. Hence, it is a violation PPRA Rule No 31(1).

The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

31. Clarification of bids.- (1) No bidder shall be allowed to alter or modify his bid after the bids have been opened. However the procuring agency may seek and accept clarifications to the bid that do not change the substance of the bid.

Provincial Election Commissioner (Balochistan) is requested to kindly notify Deputy Director (Admn), Provincial Election Commission to rectify the given mistake and issue corrigendum in accordance with PPRA 2004 to avoid mis-procurement under Rule 50.

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Rogards.

Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar, Trustee/Legal Advisor

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

1. Caretaker Chief Minister, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.

2. Chief Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.

3. Chief Election Commissioner, The Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP), Islamabad.

4. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad.

5. Managing Director, BPPRA, Quetta.

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Office Of the Election Commissioner Balochistus

SUPPLY OF HARDWARE AND MACHINERY ITEMS

Scaled Tenders are invited for Hardware and Machinery items from the Firms / Manufacturers and authorized dealers, who are registered with Income Tax and Sales Tax (GST) Directorates, for supply installation (wherever required), configuration services of Desktop Computer, Printers, Scanners, Photocopier, UPS, Paper Shredder & Generator" in the office of Provincial Election Commissioner, Balochsitan, Zarghoon Road, Quetta, as per detail given

St. No.	Name of Items	QTY
1.	Desktop Computer	98
2.	Printers	-49
3.	Scanner Sheed FED	35
-1,	UPS 5 KVA	01
5.	UPS LKVA	98
6	Photosiat Muchine	38
7	Paper Shredder	02
- 8	CCTV Camera set	38
9	Diesel Generator (40 KVA)	02

Terms & Conditions

- Tendering, will be conducted, in Single Stage-Two Envelopes methods, i.e a single envelope containing two separate envelopes marked as "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL 1) envelope containing two separate envelopes marked as "FINANCIAL PROP and "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" in hold and legible letters to avoid confusion.
- Authorized dealers / Firms will attach snaps of Hardware and Machinery items whose rates have been quoted in the tender notice, Approval of rates will be subject to approval of quality of samples by the Technical & Tender Committees. 2)
- Firms should submit a "certificate" that the Firm/Company has never been declared blacklisted or defaulter by any Government office of Pakistan... 31
- 4) The Firm shall separately quote rate for single item or all items specifically,
- 5) Price shall be quoted in Pak Rupees both in words and figures.
- The Price quoted should be fluid and clearly written / typed without any ambiguity. 6)
- The price should be inclusive of all government taxes, duties, delivery and installation / 7) commissioning charges etc.
- Tenders should be submitted accompanied with 5% CDR of total value in favour of DDO, Provincial Election Commissioner, Balochistan. CDR should be numbed with the Financial Proposal. Tender thail stand rejected if cony of the CDR found 8) attached with the Technical Proposal or Financial Proposal not accompanied with CDR of regulsite amount.
- The rates or prices shall be entered against each item in the BOQ.

 Phyment will be made upon successful installation / commissioning or complete supply delivery of relevant items of durable boods.

 "Necessary details of Hardynalus Machinery (specifications) / Tender documents"

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- can be obtained 1 purchased on written request from DD (Admir-I) (681-9201392) of this office against prescribed fee of Rs. 5000/- on any working day during office Rours.
- Scaled Tenders, complete in all respects should be delivered/dropped in the Tender Box placed in the Room of Deputy Director (Admo-1) O/o Provincial Election Commissioner Balochistan on or before tender opening date i.e. 12th September, 2023 11:00 AM and the tenders will be opened on the same date at 11:30 AM in the presence of the Committee members and bidders as may be present. No opened, e-mailed or faxed bid will be accomed as a new of the Committee members and bidders as may be present. No opened, e-mailed or faxed bid will be accomed and time of tender opening will be returned unopened to such bidder.
- Successful Firm will complete the delivery supply of the items within a period of 6 to 8 weeks and submit bill for arranging payments their against, after deduction of govi, taxes. 131
- 14) Transportation, Delivery and installation charges shall be paid by the successful firms in
- 15) Each successful Firm will famish a Performance Guarantee in the shape of CDR or Bank guarantee of the 10% of the contract amount on the award of contract.
- (6) The procuring agency reserves the rights to increase or decrease the number of items being purchased at any stage as per requirement.
- The Provincial Election Cummissioner, Balochistan / Competent Authority reserves the right to seject any or all tenders in accordance with Rule-33 (1) of PPRA Rules-2004. 17)

(ABSAR-UL-HASNAIN) Deputy Director (Admin) 081-920/392

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