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District Health Officer,
Office of the District Health Officer,
Skardu, Gilgit-Baltistan.

Subject: Violation of PPRA Rules 2004, District Health Officer, Office of the District Health Officer, Skardu, Gilgit-Baltistan's Tender Notice for Purchase of Miscellaneous Items.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Dawn' newspaper on 21st June, 2023. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 33(1) 'Rejection of bids'.

In the said tender notice, under point No. 3, it is stated that; *"The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason thereof."*

As per PPRA 2004, Rule No. 33, the procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any supplier or contractor who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection but is not required to justify those grounds. Hence, it is a violation PPRA Rule No 33.

The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

33. Rejection of bids.- (1) The procuring agency may reject all bids or proposals at any time prior to the acceptance of a bid or proposal. The procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any supplier or contractor who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but is not required to justify those grounds.

District Health Officer, Skardu is requested to kindly rectify the given mistake and issue corrigendum in accordance with PPRA 2004 to avoid mis-procurement under Rule 50.

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Regards,


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. Chief Minister, Gilgit-Baltistan.
2. Chief Secretary, Gilgit-Baltistan.
3. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad
4. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.

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