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Director Procurement,
Punjab Central Business District Development Authority (PCBDDA),
Government of Punjab,
Lahore.

Subject: <u>Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Director Procurement, Punjab Central Business</u>
<u>District Development Authority (PCBDDA), Lahore's Tender Notice for Work.</u>

Dear Sir.

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Jang' newspaper on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2024. The said advertisement is in violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule 25(7) 'Bidding documents'.

In the tender notice the fee for purchasing tender documents is given Rs 25,000/- (non-refundable), which is relatively a high amount. However as per Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No. 25(7), procuring agency shall provide a set of bidding documents to any supplier or contractor, on request and subject to payment of price, which means the cost of printing only. Hence, it is a violation Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule No 25(7).

The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

25. Bidding documents.— (7) The procuring agency shall, on payment of such fee as the procuring agency may determine keeping in view the cost of printing and provision of the documents, provide a set of bidding documents to the prospective bidders.

Director Procurement, (PCBDDA) is requested to rectify the violation and issue 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 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. Caretaker Chief Minister, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
- 2. Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
- 3. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad.
- 4. 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"



## PUNJAB CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PCBDDA)



## **TENDER NOTICE**

The Punjab Central Business District Development Authority (PCBDDA), hereinafter "The Procuring Agency" intends to invite experienced, reputable firms / Contractors having valid PEC license registered under category "C-1 and above" having specialized codes i.e., CE01, CE09, CE10, EE06, EE11 (General Electrical Works Only) and fulfilling specified criteria, to participate in bidding process for the work "INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AT CBD WALTON PHASE 2 & 3 (LANDSCAPE, HARDSCAPE, ELECTRICAL AND ALLIED WORKS PACKAGE)".

The scope of work includes Landscape Works, Hardscape Works, Horticulture Works, Lighting & Electrification Works and Allied Works etc. The Tender documents carrying all details can be downloaded from PCBDDA's website www.cbdpunjab.gov.pk for information only. Complete Tender Documents along with detailed specifications, criteria, terms and conditions can be obtained from Procurement Directorate Office of PCBDDA after the publication of this advertisement against payment of Rs. 25,000/- [non-refundable] in form of Pay Order / Demand Drak in favor of "Punjab Central Business District Development Authority". The request must clearly state "Request for Tender documents" for the work mentioned above.

Bid Submission Deadline	Pre Bid Meeting Date	Bid Security
February 20, 2024, by 11:00 AM	February 14, 2024, at 03:00 PM	PKR 25 million

Interested firms / contractors having strong capability and experience in similar nature infrastructure projects are encouraged to submit scaled bids along with required documents clearly marked "INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AT CBD WALTON PHASE 2 & 3 (LANDSCAPE, HARDSCAPE, ELECTRICAL AND ALLIED WORKS PACKAGE)" and addressed to the Director Procurement, PCBDDA, CBD Complex (Old Walton Airport), near Naval Base, Lt. (Navy) Yasir Shaheed Road, Lahore on or before above mentioned date, which will be opened on the same day at 12:00 PM. No bid will be entertained without the Bid Security, in shape of Original Bank Guarantee / Pay Order / Demand Draft issued by a scheduled bank operating in Pakistan in favor of "Punjab Central Business District Development Authority".

Pre-Bid meeting will be held in the conference room of PCBBDA Office Complex. The bids submitted after the above referred closing date and time shall be rejected and returned without being opened. It is further added that firms / contractors are invited to compete in open bidding process under Single Stage. Two Envelope bidding procedure in accordance with the PCBDDA Procurement Regulations, 2024. PCBDDA reserves the right to accept or reject all bids at any time prior to the acceptance of the bids.

## DIRECTOR PROCUREMENT

Punjab Central Business District Development Authority (PCBDDA)

CBD Complex (Ex Walton Airport) Lt (112/y), Yasir Shaheed Road, Fahore | Telt 047-99058100

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