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Superintending Engineer (Operation),
Gujranwala Electric Power Company (GEPCO),
GEPCO Circle,
Mandi Bahauddin, Punjab.

Subject: Violation of PPRA Rules 2004, Superintending Engineer, Gujranwala Electric Power Company (GEPCO), GEPCO Circle, Mandi Bahauddin's Tender Notice of Services for Complete Earthing Works.

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Express' newspaper on 3rd December, 2023. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 28 'Opening of Bids'.

In the said tender notice, the date of receiving of tenders is on 26.12.23 while the date for opening of tenders is on 27.12.23. As per PPRA 2004, Rule No. 28, the opening and the closing of bids should be on the same day. Hence, it is a violation PPRA Rule No 28.

The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

28. Opening of bids.- (1) The date for opening of bids and the last date for the submission of bids shall be the same. Bids shall be opened at the time specified in the bidding documents. The bids shall be opened at least thirty minutes after the deadline for submission of bids.

Superintending Engineer (Operation), GEPCO is requested to rectify the violation and issue corrigendum in accordance with PPRA 2004 to avoid mis-procurement under Rule 50.

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. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad.
2. Managing Director, PPRA, Islamabad.



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”

Tender No.	Name of Circle	Jurisdiction	Tender Amount	Description
01/2023-24	M.B.Din	Division M.B.Din & Phalia	5.5 Millions. (Approximately)	Services for complete earthing to pole mounted transformer sub-stations on HT/LT PC spun poles, HT/ LT steel structures (body of transformer & neutral) under the jurisdiction of GEPCO Mandi Bahauddin circle.

Eligibility of Contractor:

1. Registered / renewed firms with Pakistan Engineering Council Category in code EE-04 & EE-05 (copy should be attached).
2. Satisfactory performance certificate regarding work of service / labour work for earthing of HT/LT Structures and Distribution Transformers (Body & Neutral) Motors Generators/ Government Office Building/Institutions), duly issued by DISCO Provincial Government Offices should be provided with the request.

Purchase of Tenders

The Tenders are available in the office of SE (OPERATION) Circle M.B.Din at Shahtaj Sugar Mill Road, Near Ghosia Colony Mandi Bahauddin at the cost of Rs 1000/- each (non-refundable) to be deposited in the office of Drawing and Disbursing Officer of Division M.B.Din by December, 26-2023.

Date of opening of Tender

Tenders will be opened on 27.12.2023 at 12:30 PM in the office of S.E. Mandi Bahauddin.

Note: GEPCO Competent Authority reserves all its rights regarding rejection of bids as defined in Clause 33(1) of PPRA Rules 2004.

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
GEPCO CIRCLE M.B.DIN

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