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Assistant Director (General),
Directorate General,
Population Welfare Department,
Lahore.

**Subject: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Assistant Director (General),
Directorate General, Population Welfare Department, Lahore's Tender Notice for
Procurement/ Fabrication/ Installation Work.**

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'The News' newspaper on 19th October, 2023. The said advertisement is in violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Rule 33(1) 'Clarification of Bids'.

In the said tender notice, under p.6, it is stated that; "Procuring agency reserves the right to increase or decrease quantity of unit."

However according to Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, No 33(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 of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, No 33(1). Quoted below for your reference;

33. Clarification of bids.— (1) No bidder shall be allowed to alter or modify his bid after the closing time for the submission of the bids.

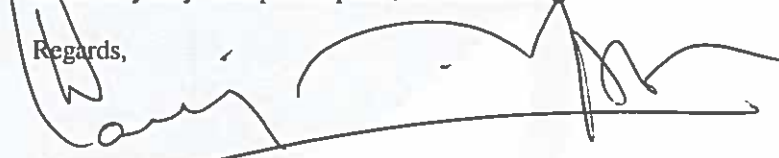
(2) The procuring agency may, if necessary after the opening of the bids, seek and accept such clarifications of the bid as do not change the substance of the bid.

(3) Any request for clarification in the bid, made by the procuring agency and its response, shall invariably be in writing.

Directorate General, Population Welfare Department, Lahore 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. Secretary, Communication & Works Department, Lahore.
4. Chairman, Prime Minister Inspection Commission, PMIC, Islamabad.
5. Managing Director, Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority, Lahore.
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Note:

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“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 Notice

The Directorate General, Population Welfare Department, Punjab Invites Sealed Bids from well reputed Firm/Companies / Sole proprietress / General Order Suppliers / IVs etc. engaged in provision of services related fabrication / installation of Air-conditioned insulated cabins on supply chain vehicles registered with relevant Registration Authorities and Tax Departments/ Authorities (Income Tax, Sales Tax & Punjab Sales Tax etc.) The Bids shall be received as per Single Stage – Two envelope procedures (Technical & Financial) as per rule 38 (2)(a) of PPRA Rules, 2014, shall be applied.

Bidding Document, in the English language, can be purchased by the interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the addressee below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Pak Rs. 5000/- which should be deposited in Govt. Treasury.

Sr. No.	Description of services	Estimated Amount (in rupees/millions)	Remarks
1.	TENDER ON PROCUREMENT / FABRICATION/ INSTALLATION OF AIR-CONDITIONED INSULATED CABIN ON TOYOTA HILUX SINGLE CABIN PICKUP single cabin SUPPLY CHAIN VEHICLES THROUGH FRAMEWORK CONTRACT (2023-24)	Rs 65,000,000	Detail of essential materials, quantities enclosed

Bids must be delivered to the addressee below on or before 07-11-2023 at 11.00. A.M All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of 2% of the estimated price in the form of Bank Guarantee. Late Bids shall be rejected. The Bids will be opened on the same day at 11.30. A.M in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who may choose to be present at the address below. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from office of Director General, Population Welfare Department, 14- Babar Block, New Garden Town, Lahore at the address given below from 18-10-2023 to 07-11-2023 09.00 A.M. to 05.00 P.M. The bidders are required to quote rate for one unit under frame work contract as per requirement. Procuring agency reserve the right to increase or decrease quantity of unit. Bidding Documents are immediately available after date of publication. Population Welfare Department, will not be responsible for any cost or expense incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of Bids or samples. In case of official holiday on the day of submission, next day will be treated as closing date. The Bidding document carrying all details can also be downloaded from website of Population Welfare Department and Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority <http://ppra.punjab.gov.pk> & www.pwd.punjab.gov.pk

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