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Chief Officer,
Office of the Chief Officer,
District Council,
Bahawalpur, Punjab.

**Subject: Violation of Punjab Procurement Rules 2014, Chief Officer, Deputy Commissioner/
Administrator, District Council, Bahawalpur's Tender Notice for Procurement of
Machinery.**

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Express' newspaper on 30th December, 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.no. 8, it is stated that; *"The Procuring agency has the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any items before and after issuance of supply order."*

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.

Chief Officer, Deputy Commissioner/ Administrator, District Council, Bahawalpur 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. Managing Director, Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority, Lahore.
2. Registrar, High Court of Punjab, Lahore.

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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”

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL BAHAWALPUR

QUOTATION NOTICE

PURCHASE OF MACHINERY.

The District Council Bahawalpur intends to purchase machinery to provide best municipal services to people in its locality of District Bahawalpur. Sealed quotations are required from firms/vendors registered with Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) NTN/GST for the items described above for the financial year 2023-24. Detail of machinery is as under.

Sr	Name of Machinery	Specification	Earnest Money
1	Truck Mounted Crane	Available on bid documents	400000/-
2	Hydraulic Trolley	Available on bid documents	100000/-
3	Loader Rikshaw	Available on bid documents	100000/-
4	Combine Sucker & Jetting capacity 6200/7000 Ltr	Available on bid documents	400000/-
5	Sucker Machine capacity 5000/4000 Ltr	Available on bid documents	350000/-
6	Pintle Hook All Models for tractors	Available on bid documents	25000/-
7	Sun Shade for Tractor	Available on bid documents	10000/-
8	Dustbin/Container	Available on bid documents	50000/-
9	Hand Carts	Available on bid documents	30000/-
10	Grass Cutter Machin	Available on bid documents	15000/-
11	Excavator equal to Caterpillar / Hitachi etc	Available on bid documents	1000000/-

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- Interested parties are required to submit their tenders with Technical and Financial proposals (two envelopes single step) in separate envelope up to **15-01-2024** at 12:00 P.M and Technical Proposals will be opened at 12:30 P.M on the same date by authorized committee in presence of Firms / Venders or their authorized agents.
- Bid documents along with qualification, evaluation criteria and standardized specification of each item can be collected from office of the District Council, Bahawalpur well during office hours till **13-01-2024** after paying a tender fee of Rs.10000/- (Non-refundable) from date of advertisements.
- Said purchase of machinery / items shall be made in accordance with the Punjab Procurement Rules-2014 (Amended up to date) on **SINGLE STAGE TWO ENVELOPS BASIS**.
- Bid documents which are incomplete, suspicious, not sealed, every page not signed, late or submitted by other than the specified mode shall be rejected.
- Technical Bids shall be opened on the same date after 30-minutes of closing time, in the presence of firms / venders or their authorized representative along with original authority letter on affidavit.
- Financial proposals of only those (technically qualified) venders / firms shall be opened after evaluation of technical proposal by the committee concerned, and the firms / venders will be informed accordingly.
- According to PPRA rule-35, 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 bidder, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but shall not be required to justify those grounds.
- The Procuring Agency has the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any items before and after issuance of supply order. The decision of the Procuring Agency will be final and not be challenged in any Court of law.
- Detail terms & conditions will be mentioned in bidding documents.
- Rates offered by the Firm / Vender will be applicable for the whole financial year 2023-24.
- All the rates should be in figures and also on words on the bidding documents.
- The rates will be quoted each item separately and will be considered individually.

CHIEF OFFICER

District Council
Bahawalpur

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

/Administrator
District Council Bahawalpur

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