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The Executive Director/ Chairman, Shaikh Zayed Medical Complex (SZMC), Shaikh Zayed Hospital, Lahore.

Subject: Violation of PPRA Rules 2004, The Executive Director/ Chairman, Shaikh Zayed Hospital, Lahore's Tender Notice for Procurement of Remaining Medical Equipment for Scheme Titled "Up gradation of Radiology Department".

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your tender notice appeared in daily 'Dawn' newspaper on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2024. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 31(1) 'Clarification of bids'.

In the Tender notice, it is stated, under 'Note', that; "The quantity of the items/ package shall be increased or decreased or reduced at the time of award letter by considering the funds/ Department requirements/ utilization of funds in better interest if patients."

However, as per PPRA 2004, Rule No. 31(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 PPRA Rule No 31(1).

The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

31. Clarification of bids.- (1) No bidder shall be allowed to alter or modify his bid after the bids have been opened. However the procuring agency may seek and accept clarifications to the bid that do not change the substance of the bid.

The Chairman/ ED, Shaikh Zayed Hospital 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.

Rehards

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. 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"

Procurement for remaining medical equipment for Scheme titled "Upgradation of Radiology Department" Shaikh Zayed Hospital, Lahore.

Shaikh Zayed Medical Complex, Lahore (SZMC) is one of the promier medical institutions in the country, invites for sealed bids, both technical and financial from the Original Manufacturers / Exclusive Distributors / Sole agents against each item in the underline table registered with income Tax and Sales Tax Departments and who are on active Taxpayers list of the Federal Board of Revenue, for the supply, Installation, commissioning & maintenance of medical equipment.

S.	Equipment Name	Total Qty	Bld Security	Date of Submission & time	Date of Opening & Time
1.	DR System	3	PKR 5 568,000	29th, February, 2024 11:30 AM (Deputy Director, Central Procurement Cell (CPC), M/O NHSR&C)	29th, February, 2024 12:00 Noon Central Procurement Cell (CPC), M/O NHSR&C)
2.	Mobile X-Ray	2	PKR 1,152,000		
3.	Mobile DR System	2	PKR 2,176,000		
4.	Color Doppler Low End	2	PKR 652,800		
5.	Digital Mini C-Arm	2	PKR 1,760,000		

- The Firms will adopt Single Stage Two-Envelop procedure as provided in the Public Procurement Rules 2004, Vide Clause #36(b).
- The Bidding documents, containing detailed lerms and conditions, etc. are available at Account Branch / Admin Office at Shalkh Zayed Medical Complex Lahore. Price of the bidding documents Is As, 5000/-. Bidding documents can also be downloaded from website at <a href="https://www.szmc.org.pk">www.szmc.org.pk</a>. This advertisement is also available at E-Pads on PPRA website at <a href="https://www.ppra.org.pk">www.ppra.org.pk</a>. The Vendors will submit their bids through E-PADS (PPRA) and hard copy in person before Central Procurement Committee (CPC) in the Ministry of NHSR&C Islamabad, within
- specified date and time, otherwise bids will not be entertained.
- The bidders are required to guide for the complete item mentioned in the above table, otherwise 4. the bid will be rejected.
- In case of any unforeseet reasons, public holiday, unrest or force majeure on the bid submission/ opening date, the bid shall be opened on the next working day at the same place and time.
- The bidders will quote the rates in financial proposals as explained in respective bidding documents.
- Original CDR/Bank Drafts / Pay Orders as bid security of each Item as mentioned above, in favor of the Executive Director", Shalkh Zayed Medical Complex, Lahore, should be attached with the financial bid and a photocopy of the same with technical bid as demanded in the bidding documents. The Procurement shall be governed by PPRA-2004, (amended).

Note: The Qty of the items/ Package shall be increased or decreased or reduced at the time of award letter by considering the funds/Department requirements/utilization of funds in better interest of patients.

> The Executive Director / Chairman Shaikh Zayed Hospital Lahore.

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