

19th February, 2024

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Manager (Public Relations),
Karachi Port Trust,
Karachi.

**Subject: Violation of PPRA Rules 2004, Manager (Public Relations), Karachi Port Trust's
Request For Proposal (RFP) Notice for Documentary Film Production.**

Dear Sir,

This is with reference to your RFP notice appeared in daily 'Dawn' newspaper on 11th February, 2024. The said advertisement is in violation of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules 2004, Rule 33(1) 'Rejection of bids'.

In the said tender notice, it is stated that; "*KPT reserve the right to accept or reject any or all proposals prior to acceptance of a proposal without assigning any reason thereof as per PPRA Rules.*"

As per PPRA 2004, Rule No. 33, the procuring agency shall upon request communicate to any bidder who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection but is not required to justify those grounds. Hence, it is a violation PPRA Rule No 33.

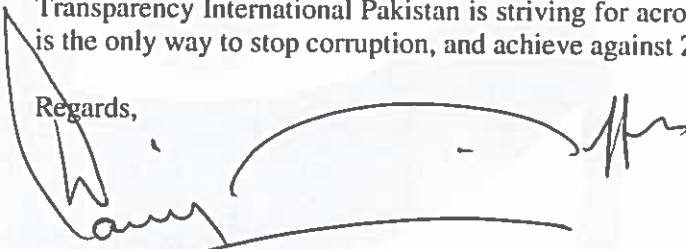
The Rule is quoted below for your reference;

33. Rejection of bids.- (1) 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 supplier or contractor who submitted a bid or proposal, the grounds for its rejection of all bids or proposals, but is not required to justify those grounds.

Manager (Public Relations), KPT 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”



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
“DOCUMENTARY FILM PRODUCTION”**

Karachi Port Trust, a premium port of Pakistan with historical legacy desires to make a comprehensive documentary film. For this purpose, RFP is invited from reputed video producers / production houses, registered with Income Tax, Sales Tax and SRB, with following requirements:

- Company Profile.
- Details of facilities, equipment etc.
- Details of Technical Staff.
- Names of clients, for whom documentaries were produced.
- Brief of similar nature of work carried out in recent past.
- NTN Certificate.
- Bank statement of last 3 years.
- Any other information, in support of experience

RFP documents can be obtained from the Office of Manager (PR) against written request and Pay Order / Demand Draft of Rs.2,000/ (non-refundable) in favor of Chief Accounts Officer KPT as tender fee, during office hrs. The last date for submission of documents is 5th March, 2024 up to 12:00 noon in the Office of Manager (PR).

Bids will be opened on 5th March, 2024 at 12:30 hrs. A pre-bid meeting will be held on 20th February, 2024 at 11:00 hrs, in the Office of Manager (PR).

KPT reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals prior to acceptance of a proposal without assigning any reason thereof as per PPRA Rules

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