

Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Communications

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To: ✓ **Ms Yasmeen Yari**
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Subject: **NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY REFUTES THE STATEMENTS GIVEN IN A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE OF 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021 BY THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND MINISTER FOR INFORMATION OF OVER RS. 1,000 BILLION CORRUPTION IN CONTRACTS AWARDED DURING 2013-18 AS CONFIRMED BY PRIME MINISTER'S CITIZEN PORTAL**

Reference Transparency International Pakistan's letter No. TL21/10/18/1A dated 18th October 2021 on the subject.

NHA is a premier construction organization and responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways, Expressway and Motorways.

2. During the present regime various systemic improvements have been made in NHA by introducing i) E-Procurement ii) E-Billing iii) E-Tolling iv) Introduction of GIS application. This has resulted in substantial savings to the national exchequer. Emphasis has been given to proper planning by virtue of which, around 6118 kilometers were planned for development/improvement during the last three years as compared to 858 kilometers during same period of previous regime. Further, 1753 km of roads were improved/executed during the last three years as compared to 645 km during same period of previous regime. Further, NHA has also increased its revenues by Rs. 87.7 billion during last three years.

3. As per rules, all data/information required by the Ministries has to be provided by its attached departments/authorities duly vetted and approved by the competent authority. The authenticity of the information/data has to be duly authorized by the concerned authority. In all cases including NHA, the same SOPs for information/data is followed. NHA stands by to all information provided to the Ministry.

4. Regarding uploading of information on PPRA's website, it may be noted that NHA is strictly following PPRA's rule 47 and regularly uploads the requisite contract information of projects worth more than Rs 50 million on PPRA website besides sharing with National Accountability Bureau as required in NAO 1999. However, it is pertinent to highlight that PPRA has circulated two proformas as Attachment-I and Attachment II (enclosed) for uploading the information regarding contract award in compliance of Rule 7 of Notification S.R.O.805 (I)/2008 of PPRA. **PPRA Rule 47 does not require uploading of BOQs rather it demands uploading the information i.e. tender cost, awarded cost and other details of bids.** Relevant screen shots of the project information uploaded on PPRA's website are enclosed.


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Distributions:-

- PSO to Minister for Communications
- SPS to Secretary (Communications)
- Chairman, NHA, Islamabad
- Director (Roads), MoC



Managing Director

F.No. 1(5)/M&E/PPRA/2018
PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY
CABINET DIVISION
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

Islamabad, the 11th November, 2021.

Subject: **PUBLICATION OF CONTRACT AWARDS ON PPRA'S WEBSITE
WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO THE AMOUNT OF CONTRACT**

The Authority vide letter of even No. dated July 01, 2021, (copy attached) required all procuring agencies to submit documents related to the evaluation of the bid and award of the contract (without any reference to the contract amount) for uploading on the PPRA's website, as enshrined under Rule 47 of Public Procurement Rules, 2004 and Regulation (2) of Public Procurement Regulations, 2009. However, it has been observed that procuring agencies are in partial compliance of the said requirement by submitting the requisite documents related to few procurements.

2. You are once again requested to issue instructions to all procuring agencies under the administrative control of your Ministry/Division to provide requisite documents pertaining to all procurements along with duly filled proformas attached with the above referred letter, so that the same may be uploaded on the Authority's website to ensure public access and transparency.

Encl: as above



(Rizwan Malik)

All the Federal Secretaries / Heads of the Organizations

CC:

Director (MIS), PPRA with the direction to upload the same on the Authority's website for compliance.

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY
AUTHORITY (PPRA)

CONTRACT AWARD PROFORMA – I

To Be Filled And Uploaded on PPRA Website In Respect of All
Public Contracts of Works, Services and Goods Worth Fifty
Million or More

- NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION/DEPTT. _____
- FEDERAL / PROVINCIAL GOVT. _____
- TITLE OF CONTRACT _____
- TENDER NUMBER _____
- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT _____

- TENDER VALUE _____
- ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE _____
(for civil Works only)
- ESTIMATED COMPLETION PERIOD _____
- WHETHER THE PROCUREMENT WAS INCLUDED IN ANNUAL
PROCUREMENT PLAN? _____ Yes / No
- ADVERTISEMENT :
 - (i) PPRA Website _____ Yes / No
(Federal Agencies) (If yes give date and PPRA's tender number)
 - (ii) News Papers _____ Yes /
No
(If yes give names of newspapers and dates)
- TENDER OPENED ON (DATE & TIME) _____
- NATURE OF PURCHASE _____ Local / International
- EXTENSION IN DUE DATE (If any) _____ Yes / No

➤ NUMBER OF TENDER DOCUMENTS SOLD _____
(Attach list of Buyers)

➤ WHETHER QUALIFICATION CRITERIA
WAS INCLUDED IN BIDDING/TENDER DOCUMENTS _____ Yes / No
(If yes enclose a copy).

➤ WHETHER BID EVALUATION CRITERIA
WAS INCLUDED IN BIDDING/TENDER DOCUMENTS _____ Yes / No
(If yes enclose a copy).

➤ WHICH METHOD OF PROCUREMENT WAS USED: - (Tick one)

- a) SINGLE STAGE – ONE ENVELOPE PROCEDURE _____
- b) SINGLE STAGE - TWO ENVELOPE PROCEDURE. _____
- c) TWO STAGE BIDDING PROCEDURE. _____
- d) TWO STAGE – TWO ENVELOPE BIDDING PROCEDURE. _____

- PLEASE SPECIFY IF ANY OTHER METHOD OF PROCUREMENT WAS
ADOPTED WITH BRIEF REASONS (i.e EMERGENCY, DIRECT
CONTRACTING, NEGOTIATED TENDERING ETC.)

- WHO IS THE APPROVING AUTHORITY _____

➤ WHETHER APPROVAL OF COMPETENT AUTHORITY WAS OBTAINED
FOR USING A METHOD OTHER THAN OPEN COMPETITIVE BIDDING.

➤ NUMBER OF BIDS RECEIVED _____

➤ WHETHER THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WAS LOWEST BIDDER__ Yes / No

➤ WHETHER INTEGRITY PACT WAS SIGNED _____ Yes / No

- WHETHER NAMES OF THE BIDDERS AND THEIR PRICES WERE READ OUT AT THE TIME OF OPENING OF BIDS _____ Yes / No
- DATE OF CONTRACT SIGNING _____
(Attach a copy of agreement)
- CONTRACT AWARD PRICE _____
- WHETHER COPY OF EVALUATION REPORT GIVEN TO ALL BIDDERS _____ Yes / No
(Attach copy of the bid evaluation report)
- ANY COMPLAINTS RECEIVED _____ Yes / No
(If yes result thereof)

- ANY DEVIATION FROM SPECIFICATIONS GIVEN IN THE TENDER NOTICE/DOCUMENTS _____ Yes / No
(If yes give details)
- DEVIATION FROM QUALIFICATION CRITERIA _____ Yes / No
(If yes give details)

- SPECIAL CONDITIONS, IF Any
(Give Brief Description)

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY
AUTHORITY (PPRA)

CONTRACT AWARD PROFORMA – II

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Million Rupees or More

➤ NUMBER OF BIDDERS PRESENT AT THE TIME OF
OPENING OF BIDS _____

➤ NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER _____

➤ RANKING OF SUCCESSFUL BIDDER IN EVALUATION REPORT
(i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd EVALUATED BID).

➤ NEED ANALYSIS (Why the procurement was necessary?) _____

➤ IN CASE EXTENSION WAS MADE IN RESPONSE TIME, WHAT WERE THE
REASONS (Briefly describe) _____

