# OFFICE OF THE PROJECT MANAGER PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT HYDERABAD-MIRPURKHAS DUAL CARRIAGEWAY PROJECT HYDERABAD No: F-24/HMDCP/Complaint Redresssal Committee/6781 Dated: -06-09-1015

To,

The Chief Engineer, (Highways) Hyderabad.

Subject: -

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COMPLIANT REDRESSAL COMMITTEE (CRC) OF PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS DIVISION,
NAUSHAHRO FEROZE IN RESPECT OF NIT NO: TC/G-55/
939 Dated 10-07-2023, AS PER RULE-31 OF SPPRA RULES 2010 (AMENDED-UPTO DATE) HELD ON MONDAY, 04<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023 @ 03:00 P.M. IN OFFICE OF THE OFFICE OF THE PROJECT MANAGER PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT-HYDERABAD-MIRPURKHAS DUAL CARRIAGEWAY PROJECT, HYDERABAD.

Please find enclosed herewith the minutes of Complaint Redressal Committee meeting held on MONDAY, 04<sup>TII</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023 on the subjected noted above for favour your kind information and further action.

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Project Manager Project Implementation Unit Hyderabud Mirpurkhus Dual Carriageway Project Hyderabad

## Copy forwarded for information to the: -

Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Naushahro Feroze.

Assistant Director (Legal-II), Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority, Government of Sindh, Karachi.

M/S GHB Construction Company, Government Contractor, E-17/7, Ahmed Arcade Khayaban-e-Jami, Gizri Road, Clifton, Karachi. Cell No: 0301-2692584

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The Meeting of Complaint Redressal Committee (CRC) in order to redress the grievances / complaint of M/S GHB Construction Company regarding Tenders invited for procurement of different works in office of the Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Naushahro Feroze, as per Rule-31 of SPPRA Rules 2010 (Amended up to date) was held on Monday, 04<sup>TH</sup> September, 2023 @ 03:00 P.M. in office of the Project Manager, Project Implementation Unit, Hyderabad-Mirpurkhas Dual Carriageway Project, Hyderabad. The following attended the meeting: -

1. Engr: Khurrum Mughal
Project Manager
Project Implementation Unit
Hyderabad-Mirpurkhas Dual Carriageway Project
Hyderabad

Chairman, Complaint Redressal Committee

 Mr. Muhammad Ali Memon, Retired-Executive Engineer Member Complaint Redressal Committee (An Independent Professoinal)

3. Mr. Qamaruddin Solangi, Divisional Accounts Officer, Sindh Provincial Road Improvement Project, Hyderabad Member Complaint Redressal Committee

4. Mr. Masroor Hussain Solangi, Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Naushahro Feroze

Executive Engineer/ Chairman Procurement Committee

5. Mr. Amjad Ali, Representative of GHB Construction Company. Complainant

# Complaint Redressal Committee Proceedings

The meeting was started with name of Almighty Allah. The Project Manager, Project Implementation Unit, Hyderabad-Mirpurkhas Dual Carriageway Project, Hyderabad / Chairman Complaint Redressal Committee welcomed all the participants for attending the meeting and narrated that the meeting was conveyed in terms of Rule No: 31 of Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority Rules-2010 (Amended-upto date). He informed that above mentioned applicants have lodged complaint for redressal of their grievances regarding Tenders invited for



procurement of different works in office of the <u>Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division,</u>
Naushahro Feroze, vide NO: TC/G-55/939 Dated 10-07-2023

The Chairman Complaint Redressal Committee asked the complainant to explain his concerns in respect to subjected NIT.

The representative from GHB Construction Company Mr. Amjad Ali attended the meeting and produced Authority letter in his favour to attend the meeting.

The representative of the complainant informed that his firm had participated in the bidding process for the works mentioned in the instant NIT @ S.No: 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9, and after the tender process he was asked for bribe to award the work, and when he refused to pay, the work was awarded to another contractor without following the due procedure of bid evaluation as per SPPRA. He further informed that his company was not informed about the disqualification of his firm.

In this connection, Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Naushahro Feroze was asked to explain his position in light of the allegations levelled by the complainant.

### Version of Executive Engineer

The Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Naushahro Feroze / Chairman Procurement Committee informed that the tenders were invited according to SPPRA Rules 2010 (Amended-up-to-date) and got published in the leading newspapers and hoisted on SPPRA's website for wide publicity and healthy competition. The financial bids were opened in the presence of the technically qualified contractors as well their authorized representatives. The attendance sheet was signed by the contractors who were present on that occasion and bids were loudly announced. Evaluation process of the bids was started immediately by the Procurement Committee and the contractors whose bids were lowest and fulfilling the eligibility criteria mentioned in the NIT were recommended for award of the contracts after getting approval from the competent authority. He further informed that the complainant have applied for the works @ S.No: 4, 6, 7, 8 & 09 (Annexure-A) in the instant NIT, where as he has not applied on work @ S.No: 05 which he has mentioned in his complaint. During the scrutiny process, M/S GHB Construction Company (Complainant) did not qualify for the bids in light of the eligibility criteria mentioned in the Notice Inviting Tenders, hence his company was disqualified and the disqualification letter was sent vide letter No: TC/G-55/1218 Dated 21-08-2023 (Annexure-B) through courier (TCS receipt attached) on Dated 21-08-2023 which was received by Hyder on Dated 22-08-2023 (Annexure-C).

The entire process of procurement was completed transparently which clearly proves that neither any violation of SPPRA Rules was made nor any act of favoritism was committed but all out efforts were taken to ensure transparency and fairness at each step.

He further stated that the allegations leveled by the complainant are totally false, baseless, and fabricated



# Decision of Complaint Redressal Committee

After hearing the both parties and detailed discussion, the complainant was once again given asked whether he had any further question regarding disqualification of his firm declared by the Procurement Committee but he replied that there was no further question and even admitted that technically disqualification of his firm was made on the real grounds. Moreover, he was given full opportunity to prove his further allegations, but he failed to submit any solid documentary proof regarding his allegations. Besides this, the allegations of the complainant were itself controversial.

According to Rule-45 of the SPPRA 2010 (amended upto date) the "Procuring agencies shall announce the results of bid evolution in the form of a report giving reasons for acceptance or rejection of bids. The report shall be hoisted on website of the Authority and that of the procuring agency if its website exists and intimated to all the bidders at least (Three-03 working days) prior to award of contract". Whereas the complaint of the complainant was received through courier and also by hand on 31-08-2023. More interestingly the date on the complaint received through courier was not mentioned, whereas the date on complaint received by hand was 25-08-2023, which clearly proves that predating was made deliberately which reveals malafide intentions of the complainant.

Keeping in view the above stated position and after hearing both the parties, the Complainant Redressal Committee unanimously decided that the allegations leveled by the complainant are baseless as the complainant himself admitted that his firm was not qualifying for the bidding process in light of the eligibility criteria fixed by the procuring Agency. Hence the complaint stand dismissed.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to and from the chair.

(Engr: Muhammad Ali Memon)

Retired: Executive Engineer (An Independent Professional)

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