GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

PREQUALIFICATION DOCUMENT
(PQD)

FOR

LICENSING OF PRIVATE COMPANIES

FOR THE

"PROCUREMENT, STORAGE, AND HANDLING OF WHEAT TO MAINTAIN NATIONAL WHEAT STRATEGIC RESERVES"

DECEMBER 2025

MINISTRY OF NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND RESEARCH

DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this Pre-Qualification Document (PQD) is provided solely to facilitate the assessment and licensing of companies for Wheat Procurement, Handling, and Storage Services under the Ministry of National Food Security & Research (MNFSR). This stage serves as a mandatory prerequisite for participation in the second phase of the procurement process, wherein only licensed firms will be invited to submit proposals under the Request for Proposals (RFP).

This PQD is issued by MNFSR exclusively for use by interested and eligible applicants for the purpose of obtaining licences that will enable them to participate in the subsequent procurement process. All proceedings shall strictly adhere to the principles of fairness, transparency, economy, efficiency, and open and competitive bidding as set forth in Rule 4 of the PPRA Rules, 2004.

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INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION AND LICENSING OF FIRMS / COMPANIES / CONTRACTORS FOR THE PROCUREMENT, HANDLING, & STORAGE OF WHEAT

The Ministry of National Food Security & Research (MNFSR), Government of Pakistan, invites applications from private Firms / Companies / Contractors / Joint Ventures (JVs) / Consortiums for licensing to provide procurement, handling, storage, and related operational services for wheat under GOP's Interim National Wheat Policy 2025-26.

Pre-qualification is open to all eligible national entities acting individually or as part of a joint venture, consortium, or association, duly registered with the relevant authorities in Pakistan. Local firms in JV or consortium with foreign partners must comply with all applicable requirements under the laws of Pakistan before execution of the resultant contracts at the RFP stage.

MNFSR is committed to conducting all procurement activities in a fair, transparent, and competitive manner. The Ministry reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason.

Application Process

Registration on E-PADS: Applicants must register their firm on the E-PADS portal at https://eprocure.gov.pk by submitting the requisite information. The Pre-Qualification Document (PQD) in English can be downloaded free of cost from:

- MNFSR website: www.mnfsr.gov.pk
- PPRA website: https://ppra.gov.pk/

Date of Issue: December 30, 2025

Submission Deadline: Completed applications, prepared in accordance with the PQD instructions, must be submitted online via the E-PADS portal no later than **January 14, 2026, at 11:00 AM**.

Opening of Applications: Pre-qualification applications will be opened electronically on **January 14, 2026, at 11:30 AM** through E-PADS in the presence of applicants or their authorized representatives who may wish to attend.

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1. Background and Purpose

The purpose of this PQD is to identify qualified private entities that will be licensed by MNFSR to undertake wheat procurement, handling, and storage operations. The private companies that will be granted operational licenses through this process will be invited to participate in the subsequent Request for Proposals (RFP) stage.

This initiative constitutes a key operational measure under the Interim National Wheat Policy 2025–26, which introduces a market-oriented and performance-based wheat procurement framework. The Government of Pakistan, through MNFSR, aims to progressively transition from a state-dominated wheat procurement model to a competitive, private sector–enabled mechanism, wherein licensed firms will undertake wheat procurement, storage, and management on behalf of MNFSR and provincial governments through transparent, accountable, and technology-driven processes.

Through this process, MNFSR seeks to grant licenses to multiple companies that possess adequate technical, financial, and logistical capacity to ensure the timely and reliable procurement of wheat for the formation and maintenance of national strategic reserves of 1.5 million metric tons for 2025-26 across various regions of the country. These reserves will cover a one-year cycle, aligned with the annual crop harvesting period. Upon completion of each cycle and subject to approval by MNFSR and relevant authorities, licensed firms may be allowed to release or sell the existing stocks and initiate fresh procurement for the following year. This rolling mechanism will enable continuity in market operations, efficient stock rotation, and enhanced food security management.

The economic and social impacts of this initiative are expected to be far-reaching. A transparent, efficient, and competitive wheat procurement system will:

i. Encourage private investment in agriculture, logistics, and grain storage infrastructure;
ii. Reduce the fiscal and administrative burden associated with public sector wheat procurement and stockholding;
iii. Improve price stability and market predictability, thereby reducing volatility for both producers and consumers;
iv. Create employment and income-generating opportunities across the value chain including transport, warehousing, and trading activities; and
v. Enhance national food security and macroeconomic stability by aligning domestic wheat markets with international best practices and minimizing post-harvest losses.

Through this initiative, MNFSR reaffirms the Government of Pakistan's commitment to a transparent, competitive, and farmer-centric wheat procurement system that upholds national food security, enhances rural livelihoods, and supports sustainable economic growth under robust public oversight and accountability mechanisms.

2. Brief Scope of Services

This document outline only the preliminary scope of services. The comprehensive technical, financial, and operational scope will be detailed at the RFP stage, which will be issued exclusively to firms that obtain licenses under this process.

3. Objective of Tendering

The MNFSR intends to engage capable private sector firms to undertake the procurement, storage, and handling of wheat in alignment with the Government's food security policy and national reserve management objectives.

Licensed firms ("Contractor" or "Service Provider") will operate on behalf of MNFSR and, where applicable, provincial food departments, to ensure that wheat is procured, handled, and stored efficiently, transparently, and in accordance with MNFSR's prescribed standards. These firms will be responsible for maintaining and managing designated wheat stocks as part of the national strategic reserves, ensuring quality, safety, and traceability throughout the supply chain.

4. Description of Services

The successful companies will be responsible for performing, managing, and supervising all activities necessary to achieve the objectives listed below. All services shall be carried out under MNFSR's supervision and in accordance with approved operational frameworks and national food security standards. The following sections will be detailed in the RFP under scope of services section:

a. **Procurement Operations**
b. **Handling, Storage and Warehousing**
c. **Quality Control and Food Safety**
d. **Reporting and Data Management**
e. **Compliance and Legal Obligations**
f. **Maintenance and Facility Management**

5. Lot Structure and Allocation Framework

The total national strategic requirement of 1.5 million metric tons (MMT) of wheat would be divided into 150 separate lots of 10,000 MT each. This model is intended to broaden private sector participation by creating more opportunities for licensed firms of varying capacities to compete for manageable lots. Each successful firm would be required to independently finance, procure, handle, and store the minimum of 10,000 MT allocated to it. However, during the RFP stage, a firm may bid for more than one lot, subject to its demonstrated financial, technical, and storage capacity. The maximum number of lots that a successful bidder may be awarded will be determined and conveyed during the RFP stage.

6. Pre-Qualification Evaluation Requirements

The evaluation criteria for this process are based on the applicant's relevant experience, technical, financial strength. Detailed evaluation parameters are provided in Section III (Evaluation Criteria) of this document.

7. Schedule for Pre-Qualification Process

Activity	Description / Mode	Date / Deadline
Issuance of Invitation for E-Prequalification	Through PPRA and MNFSR website	December 30, 2025
Deadline for Clarification Requests	Via E-PADS (minimum 7 days before closing date)	January 05, 2026, 11:00am (PST)
Communication of Responses to Queries	Via E-PADS Portal	January 09, 2026, 11:00 (PST)
Submission Deadline for Applications	Electronic submission through E-PADS	January 14, 2026, 11:00 AM (PST)
Opening of Applications	Electronic opening via E-PADS	January 14, 2026, 11:30 AM (PST)

SECTION I: INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

1. Preparation and Submission of Prequalification Application

1.1 Language

The Application and all related correspondence and documents shall be written in English. Supporting documents or printed material in any other language must be accompanied by duly certified English translations, which shall prevail for interpretation.

1.2 Application Preparation Costs

All costs associated with the preparation and submission of the Application, including any costs incurred in responding to clarifications or additional information requests, shall be borne solely by the Applicant. MNFSR shall not, under any circumstances, be responsible or liable for such costs regardless of the outcome of the prequalification process.

1.3 Requirements of Application Documents

i. The Application shall comprise all documents, forms, and annexures specified in Section III of this document.
ii. All information provided by the Applicant shall be legally binding, and MNFSR reserves the right to verify the authenticity of any information submitted, at its sole discretion and cost.
iii. As per PPRA Rules, all documents and statements submitted under this process are considered under oath. Any falsified, misstated, or fraudulent information discovered at any stage, before or after prequalification, shall result in immediate disqualification and blacklisting of the firm or consortium, and the names of such entities shall be published on the PPRA website.
iv. Any Applicant determined to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, or collusive practices shall be disqualified and subject to sanctions in accordance with the Public Procurement Rules, 2004 and relevant blacklisting regulations.
v. The Application shall not contain any fee, cost, or rate information. Any application including such details shall be rejected outright.
vi. Applicants must submit the following information:
    a. Legal name, address, ownership details, registration certificate, and incorporation year;
    b. Corporate group structure (if applicable), with details of subsidiaries, parent entities, or affiliates;
    c. Organizational structure and staffing pattern for the last three (3) years;
    d. In case local firms having consortium or JV with foreign companies, proof of registration or authorization to operate within Pakistan must be furnished before execution of resultant contract(s) in responsibility of local firm acting as lead contractor;
    e. Current tax registration details with FBR and other relevant authorities;
    f. Annual turnover and financial summary for the last three fiscal years;
    g. Audited financial statements of the last three years, including notes;
    h. Demonstrate availability of covered warehouses or silos (owned or leased) with a minimum storage capacity of 10,000 MT, suitable for food-grade bulk wheat storage; and

i. Demonstrate the establishment of a functional laboratory capable of performing inspection, moisture testing, and related quality-control activities.

1.4 Format and Signing of the Application

i. Each Applicant shall submit its Application electronically via E-PADS (https://eprocure.gov.pk)
ii. The Application shall be signed by a person duly authorized to bind the Applicant, with each page of the original forms, annexures, and supporting documents bearing the company's official stamp and initials.
iii. All pages of the Application shall be sequentially numbered.
iv. Any correction, overwriting, or amendment shall be countersigned by the authorized signatory. Applications with unauthorized alterations may be rejected.

1.5 Sealing and Marking of Prequalification Applications

i. Applications shall be submitted exclusively through E-PADS.
ii. No hard copies shall be accepted by MNFSR.
iii. All forms and annexures must be uploaded in the prescribed format through the portal before the deadline specified in the Schedule of Prequalification Process.

1.6 Prequalification Application Due Date

i. Prequalification Applications must be submitted electronically via E-PADS no later than 11:00 AM (PST) on the closing date specified in this document.
ii. MNFSR may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for submission by issuing an addendum on E-PADS. In such a case, all prior rights and obligations shall remain valid, subject to the new extended deadline.

1.7 Late Prequalification Applications

Applications submitted through E-PADS after 11:00 AM (PST) on January 14, 2026 shall not be considered under any circumstances.

1.8 Modification, Substitution, or Withdrawal of Prequalification Application

i. An Applicant may modify, substitute, or withdraw its Application through E-PADS, provided such notice is received before the submission deadline.
ii. Any modification, substitution, or withdrawal request must be submitted electronically.
iii. Applications withdrawn or modified after the deadline will not be entertained.

1.9 Contents of Prequalification Application

The Applicant must upload all compliance documents, duly completed and supported by documentary evidence. Missing or incomplete documentation may render the application non-responsive and disqualified from further evaluation.

1.10 Updating Prequalification Information

Applicants shall be required to update their financial, personnel, and infrastructure information at the time of bid submission to confirm continued compliance with prequalification

requirements. Failure to maintain the required qualification standards at the time of bidding may result in rejection of the bid and disqualification from subsequent processes.

****** End of Section I ******

SECTION II: PREQUALIFICATION OPENING AND EVALUATION

2.1 Opening of Applications

MNFSR will open all applications electronically through the E-PADS portal on the submission closing date and time specified in the Schedule of Prequalification Process.

A record of the opening shall be automatically generated by E-PADS, showing at a minimum:

i. The name of each Applicant,
ii. Date and time of submission, and
iii. Confirmation of successful electronic receipt.

2.2 Evaluation of Prequalification Applications

MNFSR will examine and evaluate the Prequalification Applications in accordance with the evaluation criteria outlined in Section III of this document. The evaluation shall be conducted by an Evaluation Committee constituted by MNFSR and approved by the Competent Authority (the Secretary, MNFSR, or an authorized officer).

2.3 Verification and Supporting Documents

MNFSR reserves the right to seek clarification or supporting documentation to verify any information provided by an Applicant at any stage of evaluation. Applicants shall provide the requested clarification or documents within seven (7) days of such request. Failure to comply may result in zero scoring for the respective criterion or disqualification if the missing information is deemed essential for evaluation.

2.4 Clarification Requests by Applicants

Prospective Applicants may seek clarification through the E-PADS portal only regarding any aspect of this Prequalification Document. Such requests must be submitted before the clarifications request deadline mentioned in this document. MNFSR will issue clarifications or amendments, if deemed necessary, through E-PADS, and these will form part of the Prequalification Document.

2.5 Right to Accept or Reject Applications

MNFSR reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, or to annul the Prequalification process at any time, even after evaluation, without assigning any reason and without any liability. This will be done in accordance with Rule 33 of the Public Procurement Rules, 2004 (as amended).

2.6 Confidentiality

All information relating to the evaluation and qualification of Applicants shall be treated as confidential. MNFSR and its officials shall not disclose any details of the evaluation process or recommendations until the publication of prequalification results. However, MNFSR reserves the right to verify any or all information submitted by Applicants from relevant organizations, departments, or third-party sources as necessary to validate credentials, experience, financial strength, or compliance.

2.7 Notification of Prequalified Applicants

Upon completion of the evaluation, MNFSR shall publish the list of licensed Applicants on the E-PADS portal and on the MNFSR website. Simultaneously, Applicants who do not qualify shall be

notified electronically through E-PADS. All licensed Applicants shall subsequently be invited to participate in the Request for Proposals (RFP) stage.

2.8 Multiple Contracts to Be Awarded by MNFSR

MNFSR intends to enter into multiple parallel contracts with licensed firms for the procurement, handling, storage, and related services required for maintaining national wheat strategic reserves, with the final number of contracts to be awarded determined by operational requirements, geographical coverage, provincial needs, storage capacity, logistical distribution networks, and overall national food security considerations. The enlistment as licensed firm does not guarantee contract award, and only those Applicants who meet all qualification thresholds and subsequently submit the Most Advantageous Bid (MAB) at the RFP stage, evaluated strictly in accordance with the Public Procurement Rules, 2004, will be considered for the award of contract(s).

2.9 Final RFP Evaluation

The final evaluation under the RFP stage shall be based on the criteria specified in the Request for Proposals, and MNFSR shall award contracts only to those Applicants whose proposals are determined to be the Most Advantageous Bids, consistent with the PPRA Rules, 2004.

****** End of Section II ******

SECTION III: ELIGIBILITY & EVALUATION CRITERIA

The enlistment of Applicants shall be carried out based on the eligibility and evaluation criteria mentioned below.

3.1 Eligibility

The following essential requirements must be met to establish eligibility:

i. **Country Eligibility**: The Lead Applicant shall be a firm incorporated and registered in Pakistan. Pakistani firms may participate either on a standalone basis or in the form of a consortium or joint venture with one or more international firms. Any international firm participating as a consortium or joint venture partner shall be incorporated in a country that maintains diplomatic and commercial relations with the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and shall not be subject to any restriction, sanction, or prohibition under the prevailing laws, rules, or policies of the Government of Pakistan. The consortium or joint venture shall designate a Pakistani firm as the Lead Applicant, who shall be responsible for compliance with the requirements of this Prequalification Document.

ii. **Legal Standing**: The Applicant must be a legally registered entity (company, partnership, firm, or joint venture) under the laws of Pakistan, authorized to conduct business in Pakistan.

iii. **Non-Blacklisting**: The Applicant (including any partner, affiliate, or subsidiary) must not be debarred, suspended, or blacklisted by any federal, provincial, or local government department or any international financing institution.

iv. **Conflict of Interest:** Applicants must declare that no conflict of interest exists in accordance with PPRA Rules.

v. **Tax Registration:** The Lead Applicant shall be a firm incorporated and registered in Pakistan and shall possess a valid National Tax Number (NTN) and Sales Tax Registration (where applicable) issued by the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR). In the case of a consortium or joint venture, the Pakistani Lead Applicant shall be solely responsible for ensuring that all consortium or joint venture partners, including any foreign entities, comply with the applicable statutory, tax, and regulatory requirements of Pakistan. Failure to comply with these requirements shall render the consortium or joint venture ineligible for award of the resultant contract.

vi. **Litigation Disclosure**: Applicants must disclose all pending or past litigation, arbitration, or contractual disputes with any public or private entity within the last five years.

vii. **Document Attestation**: Documents executed outside Pakistan must be duly attested by the competent authority or the Embassy of Pakistan, as applicable.

viii. **Joint Ventures:** JVs or Consortiums must submit a legally binding agreement specifying the role and share of each partner.

Failure to meet any of the above criteria may result in automatic disqualification.

3.2 General Requirements

i. Submissions must be complete and responsive to all requirements specified in this document.

ii. MNFSR reserves the right to verify the authenticity of any information provided.

iii. Experience and resources of sub-contractors shall only be considered if they are formally part of the Applicant's team through a binding commitment or joint venture.
iv. Applications containing financial offers, quotations, or rate information shall be rejected.
v. MNFSR may, at its discretion, waive minor deviations that do not materially affect the Applicant's capability to perform the services.

3.3 Evaluation Criteria (Framework)

The evaluation for the licencing during the PQ stage shall be based on the following two (2) main categories:

A. Financial Strength and Stability
B. Technical and Operational Capacity

Applicants must satisfy the following minimum criteria to be eligible for licensing and to advance to the subsequent stage of the process.

A. Financial Strength and Stability:

Annual turnover mut not be less than PKR 1.00 billion, based on the average annual turnover for the last three (03) audited financial years. Firms submitting financial statements in a foreign currency must present the equivalent value in PKR, converted at the official SBP interbank exchange rate as of the application submission date. Evidence must be supported through audited financial statements and a currency conversion sheet

B. Storage and Laboratory Services

i. Adequate Storage & Warehousing Capacity: Ability to demonstrate availability of covered warehouses or silos (owned or leased) with a minimum storage capacity of 10,000 MT, suitable for food-grade bulk wheat storage.
ii. Laboratory Services: Ability to demonstrate the establishment of a functional laboratory capable of performing inspection, moisture testing, and related quality-control activities.

3.4 Evaluation Methodology

i. Each application will be reviewed for completeness and compliance with eligibility and evaluation criteria.
ii. Only eligible and substantially responsive applications will proceed to technical evaluation.
iii. The Committee will apply a pass/fail assessment across evaluation factors, and bidders must clearly demonstrate full compliance with each capacity requirement. Passing all evaluation factors is a mandatory condition for obtaining a license and proceeding to the next stage.
iv. MNFSR reserves the right to seek clarifications or additional documentation during evaluation.

3.5 Disqualification Grounds

An Applicant shall be disqualified if:

i. It provides false, misleading, or incomplete information;
ii. It fails to submit mandatory documentation;
iii. It is found to have engaged in corrupt, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices;

iv. It is in breach of confidentiality or attempts to influence the evaluation process.

3.6 Updating of Information

At the time of bid submission (RFP stage), enlisted Applicants shall be required to update their information to confirm continued compliance with the prequalification criteria. Failure to maintain qualification thresholds may lead to disqualification at the bidding stage.

****** End of Section III ******

SECTION IV: PREQUALIFICATION DATA SHEET

MNFSR – Wheat Procurement, Handling, & Storage Services

PRE-QUALIFICATION DATA SHEET (PQD Datasheet)

S.NO	Description
1. Project Title	Licensing Of Private Companies for the "Procurement, Storage, and Handling of Wheat To Maintain National Wheat Strategic Reserves".
2. Procuring Agency / Contracting Authority	Ministry of National Food Security & Research (MNFSR), Government of Pakistan
3. Official Correspondence Address	Deputy Food Security Commissioner - II Ministry of National Food Security & Research Room No. 330, Block-B, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad, Pakistan Tel: +92-51-9208368, Email: dfsc.nfsr@gmail.com
4. Submission Method	• All Prequalification Applications MUST be submitted electronically via the E-Pak Acquisition & Disposal System (EPADS). • No hard copies will be accepted or considered.
5. Application Submission Deadline via EPADS	January 14, 2026 – 11:00 AM (Pakistan Standard Time)
6. Opening of Prequalification Applications	January 14, 2025 – 11:30 AM (Pakistan Standard Time) via EPADS
7. Language of Application	English (mandatory), Supporting documents in another language must include certified English translations.
8. Applicable Procurement Framework	Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) Rules, Regulations & Guidelines (as amended)
9. Duration of Engagement / Contract Period	One - Three years, aligned with the crop-marketing cycle, renewable annually subject to performance and Government approval.
10. Type of Services Covered under this Prequalification	• Wheat procurement from markets • Grading, quality inspection & standardized sampling • Storage, warehousing & stock management • Inventory reporting & digital tracking • Security, insurance & quality preservation services
11. Clarification Requests	All clarification requests must be submitted before the clarifications request submission deadline.
12. Communication of Clarifications	Responses will be posted via EPADS only, by the date mentioned in this document.
13. Prequalification Method	National bidding competition, following principles of fairness, transparency, value-for-money, and open competition.

S.NO	Description
14. Number of Applicants to be Prequalified	MNFSR will prequalify multiple firms, based on qualification scores and operational needs.
15. Evaluation Basis	Applicants must satisfy the following minimum criteria to be eligible for licensing and to advance to the subsequent stage of the process as mentioned in Section III for following: A. Financial Strength and Stability B. Technical and Operational Capacity
16. Pre-bid / Prequalification Meeting	*Optional*: MNFSR may conduct a prequalification information session via EPADS/virtual platform, if deemed necessary.
17. Joint Venture / Consortium Applications	Permitted. Must include: • JV Agreement / MoU • Power of Attorney for Lead Partner • Collective compliance with all qualification criteria • Lead Partner must meet minimum 40% of each category requirement
18. Confidentiality	• All PQ Applications will be treated as confidential. • MNFSR may verify any information via third-party agencies.
19. Rights of MNFSR	MNFSR reserves the right to: • Accept or reject any or all applications without assigning reasons; • Modify, suspend, or annul the PQD; • Request additional documents or verification; • Adjust the scope or number of prequalified firms based on requirements.

****** End of Section IV ******

SECTION V: PREQUALIFICATION FORMS

Letter of Application

[To be printed on official letterhead of the Applicant / Lead Partner in case of JV/Consortium]

Date: _____

To:
DFSC-II
Ministry of National Food Security & Research (MNFSR)
Government of Pakistan
Islamabad, Pakistan

Subject: Application for Prequalification – Procurement, Handling, & Storage of Wheat (FY 2025–26)

Sirs/Madams,
Being duly authorized to represent and act on behalf of _____ ("the Applicant"), and having reviewed and fully understood all requirements, terms, and conditions set forth in the Pre-Qualification Document (PQD), the undersigned hereby submit our Application to be prequalified for participation in the procurement process for:

"Procurement, Handling, and Storage Services for Wheat – FY 2025–26 under MNFSR."

Attached to this Letter, we submit copies of the following documents establishing:
a) Legal status of the Applicant;
b) Principal place of business and operations;
c) Place of incorporation/registration, ownership information, and nationality of owners/partners (as applicable).

MNFSR and its authorized representatives are hereby authorized to conduct inquiries, investigations, or verification of any statements, documents, or information submitted with this Application. This includes contacting our bankers, auditors, clients, or other parties to validate our technical, financial, and managerial capacity.

This Letter shall be deemed as authorization to all relevant institutions to release such information to MNFSR upon request.

For additional information or clarification, MNFSR may contact the following persons:

General & Managerial Inquiries
Contact Person 1: _____ | Tel: _____
Contact Person 2: _____ | Tel: _____

Technical Inquiries
Contact Person 1: _____ | Tel: _____
Contact Person 2: _____ | Tel: _____

Personnel / HR Inquiries
Contact Person 1: _____ | Tel: _____
Contact Person 2: _____ | Tel: _____

Financial / Audit Inquiries
Contact Person 1: _____ | Tel: _____
Contact Person 2: _____ | Tel: _____

This Application is submitted with the full understanding that:
a) Prequalification does not guarantee award of any contract;
b) All information submitted may be subject to verification at the RFP/bidding stage;
c) MNFSR reserves the right to:
i. Amend the scope, size, or value of future contracts—bids will only be invited from prequalified firms meeting revised requirements;
ii. Accept or reject any Application, or annul the Prequalification process at any time;
d) MNFSR shall not be liable for any consequences of such actions and is under no obligation to provide reasons except where required under PPRA Rules;
e) The Prequalification process does not create any rights or expectations for the Applicant. MNFSR's decisions shall be final, binding, and not challengeable before any court or forum.

Authorized Person

Signature: _____
Name: _____
Designation: _____
Company Name: _____
Official Seal & Stamp

(To be deleted by Applicants who are not submitting as a Joint Venture / Consortium)

Attached herewith are details of participation by each JV/Consortium member, including ownership structure, equity contribution, profit/loss arrangements, management responsibilities, and percentage share of contract execution.

We confirm that in the event we submit a bid following prequalification:
a) The bid and any resulting contract shall be signed jointly and severally by all JV/Consortium partners;
b) The bid shall be accompanied by a duly executed Joint Venture Agreement, establishing joint and several liability in accordance with the requirements of MNFSR.

We hereby declare that all statements, representations, and information submitted as part of this Application and its accompanying documents are true, accurate, complete, and correct, and that any misrepresentation or falsification may result in disqualification, rejection, or blacklisting under PPRA Rules.

For and on behalf of Applicant / Lead Partner

Signature: _____
Name: _____
Designation: _____
Company Name: _____
Official Seal & Stamp

For JV/Consortium Partners (if applicable)

(Repeat the block below for each partner)

Signature: _____
Name: _____
Designation: _____
Company Name: _____
Official Seal & Stamp

Form A1 – General Information Sheet

Page___ of ____Pages

All individual firms and each partner of a joint venture applying for Pre-qualification are requested to complete the information in this form.

1.	Legal Name of Applicant:	
2.	Country of Registration:	
3.	Type of Entity:	
4.	Registered Address:	
6	Principal Place of Business:	
7	Contact Person (Name, Designation, Phone, Email):	
8	Ownership Structure:	
9	NTN:	
10	STRN:	
11	SECP Registration:	

Form A2 – Financial Turnover Record

Page___ of ____Pages

All individual firms and all partners of a joint venture are requested to complete the information in this form. The information supplied should be the annual turnover of the Applicant (or each member of a joint venture) over the past three (3) years. Use a separate sheet for each partner of a joint venture.

Name of an Applicant:			
Annual Turnover			
	Fiscal Year	**Turnover (in actual Currency)**	**Turnover (in actual Currency)**
1			
2			
3			

(Attach audited financial statements for the last three fiscal years, containing all disclosures necessary for the evaluation of Financial Strength and Stability).

Form A3 – Joint Venture / Consortium Summary

	Partner Name	Country	% Share	Role
1	Lead Partner:			
2	Partner 2:			
3	Partner 3:			
4	Partner 4:			

(Attach JV Agreement & Power of Attorney)

Form A4 – Warehousing & Storage Capacity (if already available)

Location:	
Type of Facility (Silo/Godown/Depot):	
Owned/Leased:	
Total Capacity (MT):	
Available Capacity (MT):	

(Attach photos and maps)

Form A5 – Litigation / Arbitration History (if applicable)

Case Title:	
Opposing Party:	
Nature of Dispute:	
Amount:	
Forum:	
Current Status:	
Outcome:	

(Attach proof if applicable)

Form A6 – Integrity Pact

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(ON NON-JUDICIAL STAMP PAPER DULY NOTARIZED)

The candidate firm/company/proprietor hereby declares its intention not to indulge in any corrupt or fraudulent practices and not to obtain the procurement of any Contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit from Government of Pakistan or any administrative subdivision or agency thereof or any other entity owned or controlled by it (GOP) through any corrupt business practice.

Without limiting the generality of the forgoing the candidate firm has not given or agreed to give and shall not give or agree to give to anyone within or outside Pakistan either directly or indirectly through any natural or juridical person, including its affiliation, agent, associate, broker, consultant, director, promoter, shareholder sponsor or subsidiary, any commission, gratification, bribe, finder's fee or kickback whether described as consultation fee or otherwise, with the object of obtaining or including the procurement of a contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit in whatsoever form from Government of Pakistan, except that which has been expressly declared pursuant hereto.

The Seller / Supplier / Contractor certifies that it has made and will make full disclosure of all agreements an arrangement with all persons in respect of or related to the transaction with Government of Pakistan and has not taken any action or will not take any action to circumvent the above declaration, representation or warranty.

The candidate firm accepts full responsibility and strict liability for any fraudulent practices, making any false declaration, not making full disclosure, misrepresenting facts or taking any action likely to defeat the purpose of this declaration, representation and warranty. It agrees that any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit obtained or procured through any of the aforesaid corrupt or fraudulent business practices shall with prejudice to any other right and remedies available to Government of Pakistan under any law, contract or other instrument, be void-able at the option of Government of Pakistan.

Notwithstanding any rights and remedies exercised by Government of Pakistan in this regard, the Seller / Supplier / Contractor agrees to indemnify Government of Pakistan for any loss or damage incurred by it on account of its corrupt and/or fraudulent business practices and further pay compensation to Government of Pakistan in any amount equivalent to ten time the sum of any commission, gratification, brief, finder's fee or kickback given by the Seller / Supplier / Contractor as aforesaid for the purpose of obtaining or inducing the procurement of any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit in whatsoever from Government of Pakistan.

Signed: _____ Name:_____

CNIC:_____ Address:_____

Date: _____ Place:_____

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