

Islamabad-Istanbul train service to resume this year

By Aamir Yasin

RAWALPINDI: Iranian Ambassador Dr Raza Amin Moghaddam called on Federal Minister for Railways Hamid Abbasi and discussed resuming the Islamabad-Tehran-Istanbul (ITI) train this year.

During the meeting, both parties agreed to resume the Islamabad-Tehran-Istanbul (ITI) train within this year, a key step towards revitalising regional connectivity and boosting cross-border trade.

Iranian Commercial Counsellor Ms Kamal Moghaddam also attended the meeting. The meeting focused on strengthening Pakistan-Iran bilateral relations, enhancing political, economic, and trade cooperation, and appreciating the sustained goodwill between the two countries. Both sides expressed gratitude for the positive engagement and mutual support.

Federal Minister Muhammad Hamid Abbasi emphasised the importance of increasing Pakistan-Iran trade volumes and enhancing mutual imports and exports. He noted that enhanced trade will significantly contribute to railway revenue and support Pakistan's national economy.

The railway minister said, "In line with the prime minister's vision, strengthening regional connectivity and linking the region through rail networks remains our top priority." Iranian Envoy Dr Amin Moghaddam extended an invitation to the minister for an official visit to Iran.

Mushahid terms Pakistan-US friendship 'seasonal'

By Jamal Shahid

ISLAMABAD: Describing Pakistan's foreign policy at a crossroads amid shifting global alignments, former Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed on Thursday said the country's relations with major powers continued to evolve in response to global political shifts.

He urged policymakers to focus on mutual national interests rather than personal agendas.

Speaking at a discussion here on Pakistan-US relations, he contrasted Islamabad's long-term strategic partnership with China to what he termed "seasonal" friendship with the United States, shaped repeatedly by geopolitical needs. He noted that Beijing remained Pakistan's most reliable partner with both strategic and economic reasons. In contrast, he argued that Pakistan's relationship with Washington had historically been crisis-driven, from the Cold War alignment in the 1950s to the Afghan conflict in the 1980s and post-9/11 cooperation. Each time, he said, the partnership intensified only when the US required Pakistan's support and faded as circumstances changed.

The speaker highlighted several moments when the US played what he called a positive role for Pakistan, including preventing India from pursuing further military action in 1971, supporting

constitutional consensus in the 1970s and issuing early warnings about regional threats in the 1980s. He also referenced diplomatic interventions during political transitions in the late 1980s and 1999. He said the current phase of Pakistan-US engagement was tied largely to President Donald Trump's priorities, which he summarised as "crisis, critical minerals, and counterterrorism." He described Trump as an unconventional leader who preferred transactional deals and had reshaped traditional American foreign policy.

Despite this opening, he warned that Pakistan had historically bargained poorly, often focusing on personal gains rather than national interests. With China facing economic pressures, regional tensions rising, and the US seeking new alignments, he urged Islamabad to negotiate more confidently.

He said that Pakistan now had an opportunity to recalibrate its diplomacy, strengthen partnerships and lessons from past misadventures, particularly in Afghanistan, where previous assumptions had collapsed.

Speaking on the occasion, NINA Nafisa Shah called for a reset in Pakistan-US relations. She said Pakistan and the US continued to experience a "pendulum" relationship, shifting between extreme cooperation and deep mistrust. She argued that Washington had often treated Pakistan as a geopolitical tool rather than a long-term partner, while Islamabad had established interests amid shifting global geopolitics.

IHC suspends verdict on LG polls, property tax in Islamabad

ISLAMABAD: A division bench of Islamabad High Court (IHC) on Thursday suspended a single-judge verdict that had simultaneously directed the conduct of local government (LG) elections in the federal capital and struck down the recently revised property tax despite the latter having received no judicial scrutiny in the detailed judgment.

The bench, comprising Justice Khadim Hussain Somenji and Justice Mohammad Anis, took up the intra-court appeal filed by the Metropolitan Corporation Islamabad (MCI) and others challenging the judgments authored by Justice Shahab Akhtar Kiyani. Justice Kiyani's ruling, issued on November 18, had centred almost entirely on the statutory provisions of the Elections Act 2017. The bench analysed the implications of repeated delays in holding LG polls in Islamabad and underscored the Election Commission of Pakistan's (ECP) obligation to ensure continuity of elected local governance. The court decried the prolonged absence of elected Metropolitan Corporation as a governance vacuum affecting municipal administration.

However, the counsel for the appellant, Kashif Ali Malik, pointed out that the 2017 judgment carried no discussion on the property tax structure, its statutory basis, or the authority through which the tax was levied. The role of the administrator, who had approved the new tax schedule during the interregnum when no council was set up, was questioned, as was also not examined.

Despite this absence of reasoning, the operative paragraph of the ruling abruptly declared the revised property tax "set aside," a conclusion that surprised both petitioners and respondents. Lawyers appearing before the division bench argued that the relief was granted without significant discussion on the underlying facts and administrative issues.

Following the single-judge verdict, the ECP had issued directions to commence preparations for LG elections, treating Justice Kiyani's observations as binding instructions. The suspension of the verdict has now placed those directives in limbo, as the ECP independently initiates continuation of the process. Malik, counsel for the MCI, submitted that the impugned decision had travelled beyond the issues framed in the petition. He argued that neither the administrator's authority nor the legality of the revised property tax was examined by the court, yet the judgment had altered the fiscal structure of the capital without providing reasons.

The division bench issued notices to the respondents and sought their replies in the intra-court appeals. Until further orders, both the annulment of the property tax revision and the effect of the ECP's subsequent instructions will remain suspended. The matter has been fixed for further hearing after completion of the record. — Staff Reporter

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LPR-7433-002	Round Bar, Rustless Steels & Sleeves (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-7560	Pipes (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	26-12-2025
LPR-9054	Plasma Machine Parts (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-9053	Welding Machine (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
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Court rejects Imaan's acquittal plea

ISLAMABAD: An Islamabad district and sessions court rejected on Thursday an application submitted by lawyer and rights activist Imaan Zainab Mazari Hafeez, seeking her acquittal in a controversial social media posts case.

Judge Muhammad Afzal Majoka, who was presiding over the proceedings, also rejected an application submitted by Mazari and her husband, the accused Hadi Ali Chattha, challenging the appointment of a counsel by the state to represent them in the case registered with the National Cybercrime Investigation Agency (NCCIA).

Both of them have been accused of attempting to incite divisions on linguistic grounds through social media posts and of creating the impression that the armed forces were engaged in terrorism within the country. At the hearing today, Mazari and Chattha, appearing before the court, sought to recall the prosecution's witnesses, saying that the defence should be allowed to conduct a "surgery" through proper cross-examination.

He requested the court to treat the case against Mazari and Chattha "as a routine case" and summon the witnesses again to "ensure fairness". Then, Mazari sought more time from the court, saying that "things might improve if proceedings are reset."

After the completion of arguments on the application challenging the appointment of a counsel by the state for Mazari and Chattha, the court reserved its decision on the matter and later dismissed it.

Before concluding the November 29 hearing, Judge Majoka had directed the court on Thursday to prepare and submit the questionnaire under Section 342 of the CrPC to the accused by December 4 (today) and instructed Mazari and Chattha to submit their replies. The next hearing of the case will be held tomorrow.

Separately, Mazari today rushed an application before the SC, urging it to take up, preferably by tomorrow, her and Chattha's appeal against the Islamabad High Court's (IHC) denial of interim relief to them in the social media posts case.

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Therefore, Mazari and Chattha urged the SC to fix the hearing by December 5 (tomorrow).

The application contended that the petitioners had filed a criminal revision before the IHC to question the trial proceedings in view of violations of due process prescribed under CrPC, particularly the recording of evidence in the absence of the petitioners.

The plea argued that the petitioners have a clear prima facie case because the recording of evidence in their absence was not only a violation of Section 333 evidence to be taken in presence of accused) but also their due process and fair trial rights under Article 10A of the Constitution.

As the criminal trial is at its concluding stage, the balance of convenience is in favour of the petitioners because the prosecution would not be prejudiced if the trial is delayed for two weeks, the application argued.

Thus, the present criminal appeal would be infructuous, the application argued. — Malik Asad & Nasir Iqbal

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NO. PCMD-ICCBS-FDNA-231225

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Tender Schedule : Date and Time			
Tender Issue From	Tender Issuance till	Tender Submission	Tender Opening
08 December 2025	22 December 2025	23-Dec-2025 11:30 am Through EPADS	23-Dec-2025 12:00 Noon Through EPADS

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Earnest Money must be submitted with 2% of the bid value in shape of Pay Order in favor of "International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences Tender Account" till tender submission time in ICCBS purchase office.

Only updated bids (duly signed & stamped) along with supporting documents will be accepted. Alternate bid/option should accompany separate Earnest Money.

The Procuring Agency may reject all or any bid subject to the relevant provision of SPP Rule No. 25.

For details or any information:
Purchase & Store Director
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- 50% Marks in Matriculation from any recognized board.
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- Last date of submission of form is 31-12-2025.
- Classes will start 12-01-2026.
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For details or any information

Contact:

UAN: 111-222-292 (154)



DIRECTOR

Contact Person:
Dr. Ishtiaq A Khan, Intercom No.212)
Dr. Panjwani Center for Molecular Medicine and Drug Research
University of Karachi, Karachi-75270.

S.No.	Items	Specification	Qty
1	Human DNA STR kit (Globalfiler)	The amplification kit should be specific for Human DNA amplification.	02 Nos
		Kit should contain 24 STR markers including 21 Autosomal markers and 3 Sex Determining Marker.	
		Insertion and deletion marker for Y-chromosome (Y-Indel Marker)	
		6-dye system	
		Pack Size: 200 test per pack	
2	Human DNA Quantification kit	The kit should be containing specific DNA primers for the detection of Human DNA and Male DNA.	01 No
		Kit must contain 3 set of primers for small autosomal Human DNA, large autosomal human DNA and male DNA detection.	
		Kit must have an internal positive control.	
		TaqMan Probe based detection	
		03 channel detection system	
		Compatible with 7500 real time PCR system	
		Pack Size: 400 test per pack	
3	Human DNA Haplotype STR kit	6-dye multiplex assay for short tandem repeats (STRs)	01 No
		27 Y-STR loci	
		Includes Quality sensors	
		Pack Size: 100 test per pack	
4	Human DNA STR Amplification kit (Investigator 24PLEX)	The amplification kit should be specific for Human DNA amplification.	01 No
		Kit should contain 24 STR markers including 22 Autosomal markers and 2 Sex Determining Marker.	
		2 Quality sensors about the PCR amplification efficiency in general and about the presence of PCR inhibitors	
		6-dye system	
		Pack Size: 100 test per pack	
5	ANODE Buffer	Compatible with 3500 genetic analyzer	02 Nos
		Packaged in non-reusable container	
		4393927(Thermo) or equivalent	
6	Cathode Buffer	Compatible with 3500 genetic analyzer	02 Nos
		Packaged in non-reusable container	
		4408256(Thermo) or equivalent	
7	Genescan Liz 600	Size range 20-600	02 Nos
		Compatible with globalfiler kit	
		4408399(Thermo) or equivalent	
8	Capillary Array	8 capillary array	02 Nos
		36 cm length	
		Compatible with 3500 Genetic Analyzer	

		For use in Human Identification	
9	DNA Size Standard 24 plex (BTO)	Size range 60-550	01 No
		386037 (Qiagen) or equivalent	
10	POP-4	Compatible with 3500 genetic analyzer	02 Nos
		HID/Forensic Application	
		4393715(Thermo) or equivalent	
11	Basket Insert (1000/pack)	Dnase/Rnase Free	05 Nos
		Without Membrane	
		Compatible with dolphin tube (16140)	
12	RSID Blood Detection kit	One test and control band	04 Nos
		Antibodies specific for Human Glycophorin-A	
		25 pieces/ Pack	
13	RSID SEMEN	One test and control band	04 Nos
		Antibodies specific for Human Semenogelin	
		25 pieces/ Pack	
14	Anti-Human Serum Goat Antiserum	Cat No. 55136 (Mp-Biomedical) or Equivalent	04 Nos
15	RNeasy plus mini kit	RNA purification from cells and tissue	01 No
		50 preps	
		Cat no: (74134) Qiagen or equivalent	
16	YFILER Plus kit	The amplification kit should be specific for Human (male) DNA amplification.	01 No
		Kit should contain 25 Y-STR markers	
		6-dye system	
		Pack Size: 100 test per pack	
17	Qubit™ dsDNA HS Assay kit	Compatible for use with Qubit Fluorometer	08 Nos
		Detection range 0.1-120 ng	
18	MicroRNA RT Kit	TaqMan chemistry	01 No
		100 reactions	
		Cat no (4366596) or equivalent	
19	TaqMan MicroRNA Assay	100 reactions	01 No
		Cat no (4427975) or equivalent	
20	Universal Master Mix II	no UNG, TaqMan chemistry	01 No
		100 reactions	
		Cat no (4440047) or equivalent	
21	miRNA taqman assays primer, 145-5p	miRNA-145-5p	01 No
		16-GUCCAGUUUCCAGGAAUCCCU-38	
		Cat no (4427975) Thermo or equivalent	

22	miRNA taqman assays primer, 382-5p	miRNA-382-5p	01 No
		11 -GAAGUUGUUCGUGGUGGAUUCG-32	
		Cat no (4427975) Thermo or equivalent	
23	miRNA taqman assays primer, 21-5p	miRNA-21-5p	01 No
		UAGCUUAUCAGACUGAUGUUGA	
		Cat no (4427975) Thermo or equivalent	
24	miRNA taqman assays primer, 16-5p	miRNA-16-5p	01 No
		UAGCAGCACGUAAAUAUUGGCG	
		Cat no (4427975) Thermo or equivalent	
25	QIAmp Circulating Nucleic Acid Kit	For 50 Perp Cat no. (55114) Qiagen or equivalent	01 No
26	DNeasy Blood and Tissue kit	DNA purification from blood and tissue	01 No
		250 preps	
		Cat no: (60506) Qiagen or equivalent	
27	miRNeasy Serum/Plasma Advanced Kit	Minimum sample input 200ul	01 No
		total RNA, including miRNA for 50 samples	
		Cat no (217204) Qiagen or equivalent	
28	RNA Blood Mini Kit	RNA from blood	01 No
		50 prep	
		Cat no (52304) Qiagen or equivalent	

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Instructions to bidders

Preparation of Bids

- 1. Scope of Work** Purchase of **Chemicals, Consumables and Kits** for Dr. Panjwani Center for Molecular Medicine and Drug Research.
- 2. Method and procedure of Procurement** National Competitive Bidding **Single Stage One Envelope Procedure** as per SPP Rules 2010 (updated 2013)
- 2. Language of Bid** The bid prepared by the Bidder, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Procuring agency, shall be written in the English language
- 3. Documents Comprising the Bid** The bid prepared by the Bidder shall comprise the following components:
 - (a) Price Schedule completed in accordance with ITB Clauses 4, 5 and 6.
 - (b) Bid security furnished in accordance with ITB Clause 9.
- 4. Bid Prices**
 - 4.1 The Bidder shall indicate on the appropriate Price Schedule the unit prices (where applicable) and total bid price of the Equipment it proposes to supply under the contract.
 - 4.2 the prices shall be quoted on delivery to consignee's end inclusive of all taxes, stamps, duties, levies, fees and installation and integration charges imposed till the delivery location specified in the Schedule of Requirements. No separate payment shall be made for the incidental services.
 - 4.3 Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the contract and not subject to variation on any account, unless otherwise specified in the Bid Data Sheet.
 - 4.4 Prices shall be quoted in Pak Rupees unless otherwise specified in the Bid Data Sheet. The conversion of the foreign currency currency in Pak rupees should be mentioned in case of C&F prices.

- 5. Bid Form** The Bidder shall complete the Bid Form and the appropriate Price Schedule furnished in the bidding documents, indicating chemicals to be supplied, description of the chemicals and prices.
- 6. Bid Currencies** Prices Shall be quoted in Pak Rupees or equivalent to Pak rupees in case when the prices are being quoted on C&F basis
- 7. Documents Establishing Bidder's Eligibility and Qualification** The Bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid, documents establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid and its qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted.
- (a) that the Bidder has the financial and technical capability necessary to perform the contract;
 - (b) that the Bidder meets the qualification criteria listed in the Bid Data Sheet.
- The documentary evidence of conformity of the / Import of equipment to the bidding documents may be in the form of cat number, part number etc., and shall consist a detailed description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the system.
- 8. Documents' Eligibility and Conformity to Bidding Documents**
- 9. Bid Security**
- 9.1 The bid security is required to protect the Procuring agency against the risk of Bidder's conduct, which would warrant the security's forfeiture
- The bid security shall be denominated in the currency of the bid:
- (a) at the Bidder's option, be in the form of either demand draft/call deposit or an unconditional bank guarantee from a reputable Bank ;
 - (b) be submitted in its original form; copies will not be accepted;
 - (c) remain valid for a period of at least 14 days beyond the original validity period of bids, or at least 14 days beyond any extended period of bid validity
- 9.2 bid security shall be released to the unsuccessful bidders once the contract has been signed with the successful bidder or the validity period has expired.
- 9.3 The successful Bidder's bid security shall be discharged upon the Bidder signing the contract, and furnishing the performance security.

- 9.4 The bid security may be forfeited:
- (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity or
 - (b) in the case of a successful Bidder, if the Bidder fails:
 - (i) to sign the contract in accordance or
 - (ii) to furnish performance security

**10. Period of
Validity of
Bids**

- 10.1 Bids shall remain valid for the period specified in the Bid Data Sheet after the date of bid submission prescribed by the Procuring agency. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Procuring agency as non responsive.
- 10.2 In exceptional circumstances, the Procuring agency may solicit the Bidder's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. The bid security shall also be suitably extended as per Rule-38 of SPP Rules, 2010 (updated 2013). A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its bid security. A Bidder granting the request will not be required nor permitted to modify its bid.

**11. Format and
Signing of Bid**

- 11.1 The Bidder shall prepare an original and the number of copies of the bid indicated in the Bid Data Sheet, clearly marking each "ORIGINAL BID" and "COPY OF BID," as appropriate. In the event of any discrepancy between them, the original shall govern.
- 11.2 The original and the copy or copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by the Bidder or a person or persons duly authorized to bind the Bidder to the contract. All pages of the bid, except for unamended printed literature, shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.
- 11.3 Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.

Submission of Bids

12. Sealing and Marking of Bids

- 12.1 The Bidder shall seal the original and each copy of the bid in separate envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as “ORIGINAL BID” and ONE COPY. The envelopes shall then be sealed in an outer envelope. The inner and outer envelopes shall be addressed to the Procuring agency at the address given in the BDS, and carry statement **“DO NOT OPEN BEFORE 12.00 P.M. on 23-12-2025.”**
- 12.2 If the outer envelope is not sealed and marked as required, the Procuring agency shall assume no responsibility for the bid’s misplacement or premature opening.

13. Deadline for Submission of Bids

- 13.1 Bids must be received by the Procuring agency at the address specified in BDS, not later than the time and date specified in the Bid Data Sheet.
- 13.2 The Procuring agency may, at its discretion, extend this deadline for the submission of bids by amending the bidding documents. In such case all rights and obligations of the Procuring agency and bidders previously subject to the deadline will thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

14. Late Bids

Any bid received by the Procuring agency after the deadline for submission of bids prescribed by the Procuring agency shall be rejected and returned unopened to the Bidder.

15. Modification and Withdrawal of Bids

- 15.1 The Bidder may modify or withdraw its bid after the bid’s submission, provided that written notice of the modification, including substitution or withdrawal of the bids, is received by the Procuring agency prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids.
- 15.2 No bid may be modified after the deadline for submission of bids.
- 15.3 No bid may be withdrawn in the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiry of the period of bid validity. Withdrawal of a bid during this interval may result in the Bidder’s forfeiture of its bid security.

Opening and Evaluation of Bids

16. Opening of Bids by the Procuring agency

- 16.1 The Procuring agency shall open all bids in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend, at the time, on the date, and at the place specified in the Bid Data Sheet. The bidders' representatives who are present shall sign a register/attendance sheet evidencing their attendance.
- 16.2 The bidders' names, bid modifications or withdrawals, bid prices, discounts, and the presence or absence of requisite bid security and such other details as the Procuring agency may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening.

17. Clarification of Bids

During evaluation of the bids, the Procuring agency may ask the Bidder for a clarification of its bid. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing, and no change in the prices or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted.

18. Preliminary Examination

- 18.1 The Procuring agency shall examine the bids to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether required sureties have been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the bids are generally in order.
- 18.2 Arithmetical errors will be rectified on the following basis. If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail, and the total price shall be corrected. If the Supplier does not accept the correction of the errors, its bid will be rejected, and its bid security may be forfeited. If there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words will prevail.
- 18.3 Prior to the detailed evaluation, the Procuring agency will determine the substantial responsiveness of each bid to the bidding documents. A substantially responsive bid is one which conforms to all the terms and conditions of the bidding documents without material deviations. Procuring agency's determination of a bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself.
- 18.4 If a bid is not substantially responsive, it will be rejected by the Procuring agency and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the nonconformity.

19. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

- 19.1 The Procuring agency will evaluate and compare the bids which have been determined to be substantially responsive.

19.2 The Procuring agency's evaluation of a bid will be on delivery to consignee's end inclusive of all taxes, stamps, duties, levies, fees and installation and integration charges imposed till the delivery location.

20. Contacting the Procuring agency

20.1 No Bidder shall contact the Procuring agency on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the bid opening to the time of announcement of Bid Evaluation Report. If the Bidder wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the Procuring agency, it should do so in writing.

20.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Procuring agency in its decisions on bid evaluation, bid comparison, or contract award may result in the rejection of the Bidder's bid.

Award of Contract

21. Post-qualification

21.1 In the absence of prequalification, the Procuring agency may determine to its satisfaction whether that selected Bidder having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid is qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.

21.2 The determination will take into account the Bidder's financial and technical capabilities. It will be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB Clause 7 as well as such other information as the Procuring agency deems necessary and appropriate.

21.3 An affirmative determination will be a prerequisite for award of the contract to the Bidder. A negative determination will result in rejection of the Bidder's bid, in which event the Procuring agency will proceed to the next lowest evaluated bid to make a similar determination of that Bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.

22. Award Criteria

The Procuring agency will award the contract to the successful Bidder whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive and has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.

- 23. Procuring agency's Right to Accept any Bid and to Reject any or All Bids**
- 23.1 Subject to relevant provisions of SPP Rules 2010 (updated 2013), the Procuring agency reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award.
- 23.2. Pursuant to Rule 45 of SPP Rules 2010 (updated 2013), Procuring agency shall hoist the evaluation report on Authority's web site, and intimate to all the bidders seven days prior to notify the award of contract.
- 24. Notification of Award**
- 24.1 Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the Procuring agency shall notify the successful Bidder in writing, that its bid has been accepted.
- 24.2 Upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the performance security pursuant to ITB Clause 26, the Procuring agency will promptly notify each unsuccessful Bidder and will release their bid security.
- 25. Signing of Contract**
- 25.1 At the same time as the Procuring agency notifies the successful Bidder that its bid has been accepted, the Procuring agency will send the Bidder the Contract Form provided in the bidding documents, incorporating all agreements between the parties.
- 25.2 Within the period specified in BDS, of receipt of the Contract Form, the successful Bidder shall sign and date the contract and return it to the Procuring agency.
- 26. Performance Security**
- 26.1 Within the period specified in BDS, of the receipt of notification of award from the Procuring agency, the successful Bidder shall furnish the performance security in accordance with the Conditions of Contract, in the Performance Security Form provided in the bidding documents, or in another form acceptable to the Procuring agency.
- 26.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to comply with the requirement of ITB Clause 25 shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the bid security, in which event the Procuring agency may make the award to the next lowest evaluated Bidder or call for new bids.
- 27. Corrupt or Fraudulent Practices**
- 27.1 The Government of Sindh requires that Procuring agency's (including beneficiaries of donor agencies' loans), as well as Bidders/Suppliers/Contractors under Government-financed contracts,

observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this policy, the SPPRA, in accordance with the SPP Act, 2009 and Rules made thereunder:

- (a) **“Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices”** means either one or any combination of the practices given below;
 - (i) **“Coercive Practice”** means any impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence the actions of a party to achieve a wrongful gain or to cause a wrongful loss to another party;
 - (ii) **“Collusive Practice”** means any arrangement between two or more parties to the procurement process or contract execution, designed to achieve with or without the knowledge of the procuring agency to establish prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels for any wrongful gain;
 - (iii) **“Corrupt Practice”** means the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the acts of another party for wrongful gain;
 - (iv) **“Fraudulent Practice”** means any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
- (b) **“Obstructive Practice”** means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in a procurement process, or affect the execution of a contract or deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements before investigators in order to materially impede an investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation, or acts intended to materially impede the exercise of inspection and audit rights provided for under the Rules.

Bid Data Sheet

The following specific data for chemicals and consumables to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Instructions to Bidders (ITB). Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in ITB.

Introduction	
ITB 1	<p>Name and address of Procuring Agency:</p> <p>Dr. Panjwani Center for Molecular Medicine and Drug Research International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi Karachi-75270.</p>
ITB 1	<p>Name of Contract. “Purchase of Chemicals, Consumables and Kits” at the Center.</p>
Bid Price and Currency	
ITB 4	Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be as mentioned on tender advertisement.
Preparation and Submission of Bids	
ITSB 19	<p><i>Qualification requirements:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Company profile 2. Valid Registration with tax authorities is required 3. Minimum Annual Turnover should at least be equal to the Bid amount quoted for last 03 years 4. Six Months relevant Experience
ITB 7	<p>Amount of bid security.</p> <p>2 % of Bid</p>
ITB 8	<p>Bid validity period.</p> <p>90 days</p>
ITB-9	<p>Performance Guarantee 5% of the P.O. Value</p> <p>Successful Bidders are required to deposited Performance Security in United Bank Limited Account No. 291497301 entitled "International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences Tender Account". The original Deposit Slip / Online Deposit Receipt must be submitted to Purchase Office, ICCBS-Uok for the issuance of</p>
ITB 10	<p>Number of copies. One original One copy</p>

<p>ITB 19.1</p> <p>ITB 19.2</p>	<p>Deadline for bid submission. As mentioned on tender advertisement</p> <p>Bid Opening Date: As mentioned on tender advertisement</p> <p>Note: In case of Holiday or any unavoidable circumstances on the day of bid submission / opening, the tender will be submitted / opened on the next working day at the same time.</p>
<p>ITB 20</p>	<p>Bid Evaluation: Most advantageous bid.</p>
	<p>Under following conditions, Bid will be rejected:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conditional and Telegraphic tenders/bids; 2. Bids not accompanied by bid security (Earnest Money); 3. Bids received after specified date and time; 4. Bidder submitting any false information; 5. Black Listed Firms by Sindh Government or any Entity of it. 6. The tender will liable to be rejected, if this Summery sheet utterly filled does not accompany the tender bid / quote.

Summary Sheet

(This summary sheet should be attached at the top of the bid documents)

TENDER NOTICE NO: _____

The tender will liable to be rejected, if this Summary sheet utterly filled does not accompany the tender bid / quote.

Serial No. with Item's Name	Make & Country of Origin	Model No. / CAT No.	Qty	Package Size (if applicable)	Bid Value	Foreign Currency (if applicable)	Conversion Rate (SBP asking rate seven days prior to the opening of bids, if applicable)	Price in PKR	Warranty Period	Freight Charges (if applicable)

Bid Value in PKR										
GST applicable in PKR										
SRB applicable in PKR										
Total Bid Value in PKR										
Earnest Money @ 2% of Total Bid Value in PKR										
Pay Order/ Demand Draft No:						Date:				
Company Name:						Phone No:				
						Email Address:				
National Tax Number (Attach Copy):						GST / SRB Registration Number (Attach Copy):				
Signature:						Seal:				

Note: Delivery time for items quoted in FOR is Five (5) weeks and C&F is Twelve (12) weeks. This and all other Terms & Conditions mentioned in this Tender / ICCBS Website overrides any conditions set by the bidder.

The soft copy of this summary sheet is available on: URL Address: goo.gl/eZJAex

SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS

S.No.	Description of service / goods	Quantity	Required Delivery Schedule in Days from the Date of Contract Award	Location
1	<i>“Purchase of Chemicals, Consumables and Kits”</i>	As per tender document	05 Weeks on FOR	P.C.M.D., I.C.C.B.S., Karachi

Integrity Pact

DECLARATION OF FEES, COMMISSION AND BROKERAGE ETC. PAYABLE BY THE SUPPLIERS/CONTRACTORS/CONSULTANTS

Contract Number: _____

Dated: _____

Contract Value: _____

Contract Title: _____

_____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] hereby declares that it has not obtained or induced the procurement of any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit from Government of Sindh (GoS) or any administrative subdivision or agency thereof or any other entity owned or controlled by it (GoS) through any corrupt business practice.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, _____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] represents and warrants that it has fully declared the brokerage, commission, fees etc. paid or payable to anyone and 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 affiliate, 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 inducing the procurement of a contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit, in whatsoever form, from Procuring Agency (PA), except that which has been expressly declared pursuant hereto.

_____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] certifies that it has made and will make full disclosure of all agreements and arrangements with all persons in respect of or related to the transaction with PA and has not taken any action or will not take any action to circumvent the above declaration, representation or warranty.

_____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] accepts full responsibility and strict liability for 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 as aforesaid shall, without prejudice to any other right and remedies available to PA under any law, contract or other instrument, be voidable at the option of PA.

Notwithstanding any rights and remedies exercised by PA in this regard, _____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] agrees to indemnify PA for any loss or damage incurred by it on account of its corrupt business practices and further pay compensation to PA in an amount equivalent to ten times the sum of any commission, gratification, bribe, finder's fee or kickback given by _____ [Name of Supplier/Contractor/Consultant] as aforesaid for the purpose of obtaining or inducing the procurement of any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit, in whatsoever form, from PA.

[Procuring Agency]
Sample Forms

[Supplier /Contractor/Consultant]

Date: _____

To:

Dr. Panjwani Center for Molecular Medicine & Drug Research
International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences
University of Karachi,
Karachi-75270.

Dear Sir:

Having examined the bidding documents, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we, the undersigned, offer to develop and deliver the required system in conformity with the said bidding documents for the sum of *[total bid amount in words and figures]* or such other sums as may be ascertained in accordance with the Schedule of Prices attached herewith and made part of this Bid.

We undertake, if our Bid is accepted, to develop the system in accordance with the delivery schedule specified in the Schedule of Requirements.

If our Bid is accepted, we will obtain the guarantee of a bank in a sum equivalent to **Five (5) percent** of the Contract Price/Pay order for the due performance of the Contract, in the form prescribed by the Purchaser.

We agree to abide by this Bid for a period of 90days from the date fixed for Bid opening under Clause 16 of the Instructions to Bidders, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period.

Until a formal Contract is prepared and executed, this Bid, together with your written acceptance thereof and your notification of award, shall constitute a binding Contract between us.

We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any bid you may receive.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2024_____.

[signature]

[in the capacity of]

Duly authorized to sign Bid for and on behalf of _____

To: *[name of Procuring agency]*

WHEREAS *[name of Supplier]* (hereinafter called “the Supplier”) has undertaken, in pursuance of Contract No. *[reference number of the contract]* dated _____ 2014 to deploy *[description of goods and services]* (hereinafter called “the Contract”).

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the said Contract that the Supplier shall furnish you with a bank guarantee by a reputable bank for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with the Supplier’s performance obligations in accordance with the Contract.

AND WHEREAS we have agreed to give the Supplier a guarantee:

THEREFORE WE hereby affirm that we are Guarantors and responsible to you, on behalf of the Supplier, up to a total of *[amount of the guarantee in words and figures]*, and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand declaring the Supplier to be in default under the Contract and without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of *[amount of guarantee]* as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand or the sum specified therein.

This guarantee is valid until the _____ day of _____ 2024 _____.

Signature and seal of the Guarantors

[name of bank or financial institution]

[address]

[date]