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PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY
CABINET DIVISION
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

Managing Director

Islamabad, the 10th March, 2023

Subject: **INSTRUCTION REGARDING VIOLATION OF RULE 43 AND 45 OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT RULES, 2004, WITH RESPECT TO PAYMENT TO THE CONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS**

It has come to the notice of the Authority that Rule-43 and 45 of Public Procurement Rules, 2004 regarding **Payment** are not being followed by procuring agencies in true letter and spirit.

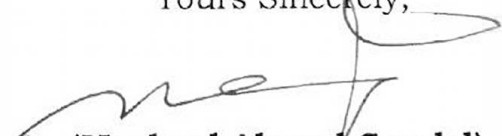
2. It is pertinent to mention here that as per Rule 43 of the Public Procurement Rules, 2004 "*all procuring agencies shall make prompt payment to the suppliers and contractors against their **invoices and running bills** within the time given in the contract, **which shall not exceed thirty (30) days***".

3. Moreover, as per Rule 45 (2) "*Except for unsettled claims, which shall be resolved through arbitration, the bill shall be paid within the time given in the conditions of contract, **which shall not exceed sixty (60) days to close the contract for final audit***".

4. You are hereby requested to issue instructions to all procuring agencies under the administrative control of your Ministry / Division to make payment to the contractors and suppliers in accordance with the period specified in above mentioned rules, as violation of these Rules shall amount to mis-procurement in accordance with Rule-50 of the Public Procurement Rules, 2004.

With Profound regards.

Yours Sincerely,


(Maqbool Ahmad Gondal)

All the Federal Secretaries / Head of the Organizations

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