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To

1. The Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Punjab
2. The Chairman, P&D Board, Punjab
3. Additional Chief Secretary, South Punjab
4. All Administrative Secretaries to Government of the Punjab
5. All Heads of Attached Departments in Punjab
6. Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director of all Public Sector Companies
7. The Registrar, Lahore High Court, Punjab
8. The Chairman, Punjab Information Technology Board
9. All Divisional Commissioners in the Punjab
10. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab
11. All Project Directors of Development Schemes in Punjab

Subject: PUNJAB REVENUE AUTHORITY (PRA) ACTIVE TAXPAYER STATUS FOR CONTRACTORS/CONSULTANTS IN PUNJAB

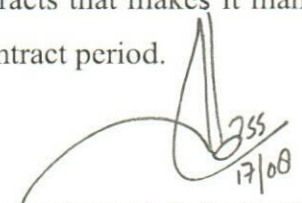
I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to state that Government of the Punjab is resolute in expanding its tax base through better taxation policies and administration. Punjab Revenue Authority (PRA) works as a neutral tax law enforcement agency ensuring that government's due tax share in economic activities is reaped to the optimal level. As part of this initiative, it is vital for all administrative departments/companies/ authorities/ autonomous bodies to ensure that any contractor or consultant engaged must be registered with PRA and maintains an **ACTIVE** taxpayer status.

2. In this regard, Section 2(1) of Punjab Revenue Authority Act 2012 provides the definition of “Active Tax Payer” which states:

“Active taxpayer” means a registered person:

- (i) whose registration has not been suspended or blacklisted by the Authority; and
- (ii) who has filed his tax return for at least one of the preceding three consecutive tax periods;

3. I am, therefore, directed to request you that prior to entering into or renewing any contract, please ensure that the contractor or consultant is listed as an **ACTIVE** taxpayer by PRA. Moreover, it would be prudent to include clauses in contracts that makes it mandatory to maintain **ACTIVE** taxpayer status with the PRA throughout the contract period.

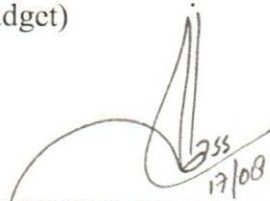

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1. Accountant General Punjab, Lahore
2. Managing Director, Punjab Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA)
3. Chairperson PRA, Punjab
4. Director General Audit, Punjab
5. PS to Chief Secretary Punjab, Lahore
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7. The Treasury Officer, Lahore
8. System Analyst, Government of Punjab, Finance Department for uploading on Department's website
9. PS to Special Secretary Finance (B&R)
10. PS to Special Secretary Finance (E&CF)
11. PS to Additional Finance Secretary (Budget)


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