

PPRA Holds Awareness Session on Public Procurement Rules, 2026

ISLAMABAD, Oct 22, 2026: Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) organized an awareness session at COMSATS University, Islamabad, to familiarize representatives from procuring agencies and vendors with the new Public Procurement Rules, 2026. The session focused on reforms designed to improve transparency, accountability, institutional capacity, and efficiency in public procurement.

Managing Director, PPRA, Mr. Hasnat Ahmed Qureshi, led an interactive session and discussed the key reforms introduced under the new framework in line with the Prime Minister's Economic Governance Reforms (PM-EGR).

During the discussion, the Managing Director explained in detail the significance of third-party oversight in procurement, an independent grievance redressal mechanism, and the establishment of procurement cells within procuring agencies. He pointed out that these measures are aimed at strengthening institutional accountability, encouraging fair competition, improving compliance, and ensuring efficiency in public procurement.

Highlighting the business facilitation aspect of the reforms, Mr. Qureshi underlined that the new rules improve ease of doing business by making public procurement more accessible and transparent. The new framework will help to establish a more level playing field for vendors and suppliers, encouraging broader participation in government tenders, and creating new business opportunities, especially for enterprises looking to engage with the public sector, he added.

The question-and-answer session also provided an opportunity for participants to seek clarification on how the new rules apply in practice, discuss issues related to implementation and understand the changing responsibilities of procuring agencies and vendors under the revised regulatory framework.

Earlier, Director General Legal, PPRA, Dr. M. Aslam Waseem, briefed participants on the salient features of the Public Procurement Rules, 2026, outlining key changes from the previous framework and explaining their significance for improving transparency, procedural clarity, efficiency and compliance in public procurement.

Mr. Atique Sultan Raja, Senior Specialist Training & Capacity Building, PPRA; Mr. Farukh Bashir, Director (Training), PPRA; along with the EPADS technical team, also attended the session.

The initiative is part of PPRA's efforts to facilitate the implementation of the new rules through stakeholder engagement and capacity building. PPRA will further organize countrywide awareness sessions to ensure that the procuring agencies, vendors and suppliers are well informed on the revised framework and able to implement and comply with its requirements.



