

JAMMU AND KASHMIR MEDICAL SUPPLIES CORPORATION LTD.

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Subject: Blacklisting /Debarring order in favour of M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd., H.O B-22, 23, Vibhuti Khand, Gomtinagar, Lucknow-226010 (U.P.).

ORDER NO: 35-JKMSCL of 2025

DATED: /8/06/2025

Whereas, e-bid for the finalization of Rate Contract for the procurement of Multi Head Tube Sealer was uploaded vide NIT No. NIT/JKMSCL/M&E/ 2023/568 dated 14-01-2023 and the technical bid was opened on 25th May, 2023 at Corporate Office, Jammu and Srinagar respectively:

Whereas, after going through the technical bid documents submitted by M/s Globus Healthcare (Bidder), it was found that M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. authorized M/s Globus Healthcare, 33 C/C Gandhi Nagar Jammu 180004 to submit a bid, process the same further and enter into a contract with JKMSCL for the item "Multi Head Tube Sealer" tendered in the above mentioned NIT;

Whereas, after following due procedure the bidder authorized by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. was qualified by the technical experts for opening of financial bid;

Whereas, the financial bid was opened on 22-03-2024 with the recommendations of the Technical Evaluation Committee to proceed after observing all codal formalities viz-a-viz rate reasonability/ price justification to be ascertained by the end user departments/technical experts;

Whereas, the price quoted by the bidder authorized by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. is Rs.10,07,998.88 (inclusive of all Taxes)

Whereas, the price justification was carried out by the Head of the Department, Blood Bank, GMC Jammu vide No. BB/GMC/2024/446 dated 02-08-2024 with the purchase orders of Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow vide Order No. 325/RMLMS/MM(eq)/22-23 dated 21.04.2022 amounting to Rs. 11.21 lakhs

Whereas, JKMSCL undertook the verification of the authenticity of the above said Purchase Order issued vide No. 325/RMLIMS/MM(eq)/22-23 dated 21st April, 2022 amounting to Rs. 11.21 lakhs from the concerned issuing institution and the said institution has responded that the Purchase Order has been actually issued vide No. 325/RMLIMS/MM(eq)/18-19 dated 21 April, 2018 with the price reflected as Rs. 10.03 lakhs;

Whereas, on the basis of the available documents and the Purchase Order on the basis of which the Rate Reasonability stood conducted has been found to be forged one;

Whereas, the matter was subsequently taken-up with the Head of the Department, Blood Bank, GMC Jammu vide letter No. PS/GM/JKMSCL/12636-37 dated 31.01.2025 for seeking comments in the matter;

Whereas, HoD, Blood Bank vide her letter No. BB/GMC/2025/1097-99 dated 01-02-2025 submitted that the "hard copy of the supply/installation order of Multi Head Tube Sealer bearing No. 325/RMLIMS/MM(eq)/22-23 dated 02 April, 2022 from RMLIMS Lucknow was submitted by the proprietor of M/s Globus Healthcare (Mr. Dinesh Malhotra) in person, to the technical experts which was accepted, considering the same as genuine for carrying out rate reasonability"

Whereas, keeping in view the principle of natural justice a Show Cause Notice was issued against the bidder authorized by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. vide this office No. JKMSCL/GM/DISC/2024-25/13391-97 dated 19-02-2025 with the directions to explain the position within 07 days;

Whereas, another show cause notice as reminder was issued vide No. JKMSCL/GM/DISC/2024-25/14021-27 dated 05-03-2025 with the directions to submit the reply within 05 days;

Whereas, in response to notices issued by JKMSCL, the bidder authorized by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. claimed that they have taken-up the matter with M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. on 07-02-2025 and further submitted that M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. replied to the e-mail stating as under;

"We are not fully aware of any changes made to the original order copy as the concerned individual was on notice period and may have joined a competitor company, potentially defaming us in the process. However, it is important to note that the original order copy clearly states that the order valueis Rs. 1,003,000 and the rate contract value is Rs. 1,003,000 and the rate contract value is Rs. 10,07,000. There is no justification for altering the original document, and if any changes were made, they were done intentionally and without proper consideration of the quoted values";

Whereas, the matter was placed before the Disciplinary Committee in its meeting held on 21-04-2025 and it was decided to issue a show cause notice to the importer viz. M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. for seeking an explanation in the matter in light of the undertaking submitted by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. for being also responsible for the documents submitted to JKMSCL through its authorized agency (bidder)

Whereas, a Show Cause Notice was issued to M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. vide this office No. JKMSCL/DISC/2025-26/675 77 dated 26-04-2025 with the directions to explain the position within 05 days. It was also communicated that the reply to the Show Cause Notice should reach this office within 05 days or else it shall be presumed that the firm has nothing to say in this regard and necessary action under rules as prescribed in NIT/SPP shall be initiated against the firm.

Whereas, M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. had submitted an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly notarized stating as under;

"I, Davesh Mehrota S/o Mr. Gauri Nath Mehrotra aged 50 years residing at A/B4, Tube Palace Madan Mohan Malviya Marg, Lucknow-226001, director of firm M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. verify and confirm that the contents of bidding documents, its bidding forms Annexure I to Annexure VIII and other information submitted for bid No. NIB No.:

NIT/JKMSCL/M&E/2023/ 568 date - 14/01/2023 are true and correct to best of my knowledge and nothing has been concealed therein".

"In case, any variation /discrepancy /wrong declaration found during the scrutiny at later stages, I/We shall be held responsible & JKMSCL may take action including blacklisting / debarring of my/our firm for a period of not less than 05 years".

Whereas, M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. did not submit the reply within the stipulated time frame, the matter was again placed before the Disciplinary Committee in its meeting held 21-05-2025 and the Committee took note of the non-responsive attitude of M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. in not responding to the Show Cause Notice and decided to issue final show cause notice before proceeding further in the matter;

Whereas, a Final Show Cause Notice was issued against M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. vide No. JKMSCL/GM/ DISC/2025 26/1840-42 dated 28-05-2025 and in response to the Show Cause Notice M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. vide e-mail dated 28-05-2025 submitted as under:

"The reference order copy no. 325/RMLIMS/MM(eq)/18-19 dt 21 April 2018 amount Rs. 10.03 lakhs, where as your rate contract order value is Rs. 10.08 lacs the actual difference is hardly Rs. 5000.00 in the quoted value, means in 6 years the cost of the equipment is increased only Rs.6000.00, This much increment is well justified so there is no need to submit and fabricated document and our company is totally against for such act.

The submission of forged document is not in our knowledge and we came to know when our channel M/S Globus Healthcare partner bought in to our notice. After internal check we found that the person in the back office who was handling the case was on notice period and joined competitor company, potentially defaming us in the process, this might also be the reason".

Whereas, M/s Mehrotra Biotech Pvt. Ltd. / bidder at no stage of tendering process i.e from 14-03-2023 (NIT published date) to 02-08-2024 (Date of communication from concerned HOD, GMC Jammu related to Rate Reasonability) informed the concerned authorities about any such alleged act of its employee;

Whereas, it was only after the verification of the document by the JKMSCL, it came to fore about the forgery committed by the importer / bidder;

Whereas, the matter was again placed before the Disciplinary Committee in its meeting held on 14-06-2025 and the Disciplinary Committee after threadbare discussions is of the opinion that the reply of the firm is not satisfactory and is devoid of any merit. Accordingly, it was unanimously decided by the Committee to blacklist the importer M/s Mehrotra Biotech Private Limited, H.O: B22-23, Vibhuti Khand, Gomtinagar, Lucknow-226011, Factory: E 4, Talkatora Industrial Estate, Lucknow-226011 for a period of 02 years.

Whereas, it is clearly mentioned in the undertaking submitted by M/s Mehrotra Biotech Private Limited that they are responsible in case, any variation /discrepancy /wrong declaration found during the scrutiny at later stages and JKMSCL may take action including blacklisting / debarring;

Whereas, the reply submitted by the Importer no way justifies the submission of forged document for securing the contract from the Govt. Agency;

Therefore, keeping in view of above mentioned facts, M/s Mehrotra Biotech Private Limited, H.O.: B22-23, Vibhutikhand, Gomtinagar, Lucknow-226010, Factory: E-4, Talkatora Industrial Estate, Lucknow-226011 is hereby blacklisted for a period of 02 years from the date of issuance of this order.

Sd/-Managing Director J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.

No. JKMSCL/DISC/2025-26/82-93

Dated: 18 /06/2025

Copy to the: -

- Secretary to the Government, Health & Medical Education Department, Civil Secretariat, Jammu / Srinagar.
- 2. All HoDs of Health & Medical Education Department, J&K.
- Financial Advisor /CAO, J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd. for information & necessary action.
- 4. General Manager (Adm) J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.
- 5. General Manager (K), J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.
- 6. Dy. General Manager (P&S), J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd..
- 7. Medical Officer (QC), J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.
- 8. Assistant Legal Remembrancer, J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.
- PA to Managing Director, J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.
- Assistant Programmer, J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd. to upload the order on official website of JKMSCL.
- 11. Medical Supplies Corporation (All).
- M/s Mehrotra Biotech Private Limited, H.O.: B22 23 Vibhutikhand, Gomtinagar, Lucknow-226010, Factory: E-4, Talkatora Industrial Istate, Lucknow-226011.

13. Office file.

D. General Manager (Tend, Legal), Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd.