

## AUCTION NOTICE

The Drainage and Reclamation Institute of Pakistan (DRIP), Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources (PCRWR), Tando Jam, invites interested parties to participate in an online open public auction for the leasing of its fruit orchards (Banana, Mango, Guava, and Jujube) on an “as is, where is” basis through the EPADS portal (<https://www.epads.gov.pk>). Interested parties may visit the orchards at DRIP Tando Jam during office hours prior to participating in the auction.

### **Terms & Conditions**

1. **Auction Method:** The orchards shall be leased through an online open public auction on the e-Pak Acquisition and Disposal System (EPADS). The deadline for submission of e-bids is June 30, 2026, at 11:00 AM. E-bids will be opened on June 30, 2026, at 11:30 AM at DRIP, PCRWR, Tando Jam, in the presence of bidders or their authorized representatives. Bidders must register on the EPADS portal and submit bids electronically; manual bids will not be accepted. Participants may submit and revise their offers through their EPADS accounts until the closing date. The EPADS system shall automatically determine the highest bidder after the auction deadline for consideration of approval.
2. **Eligibility:** Any individual, agricultural firm, or registered company based in the Lower Sindh region, possessing valid identification (CNIC), NTN/GST registration (if applicable), adequate financial capacity (supported by bank statement of the last 2-3 year’s), and relevant orchard management experience of 3–5 years, may participate in the auction.
3. **Lease Period:** The lease shall be valid for three (03) years, from 01 July 2026 to 30 June 2029.
4. **Initial Bid Price:** The initial bid price shall start as **Lot-I** (Banana-9 acres) Rs. 400,000/- per acre per year; **Lot-II** (Mango-3 acres) Rs. 350,000/- per acre per year; **Lot-III** (Mango-6 acres) Rs. 250,000/- per acre per year; and **Lot-IV** (Guava & Jujube - 2 acres) Rs. 150,000/- per acre per year). The bids below initial bid price for each lot will not be entertained. Each lot shall be auctioned separately, and bidders may participate in one or more lots.
5. **Annual Increment:** The lease amount shall be subject to an annual increase of Rs. 15,000 per acre for each lot in the second year (01 July 2027 – 30 June 2028) and the third year (01 July 2028 – 30 June 2029).
6. **Earnest Money:** All bidders shall submit Rs. 50,000/- as earnest money (bid security) for each lot in the form of a Pay Order/Demand Draft/ Bank Transfer in favor of the Director General, DRIP, PCRWR, Tando Jam. Bids without earnest money shall be rejected. The earnest money of first three bidders for each lot will be withheld for 15 days. The earnest money of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded without interest. The earnest money of highest bidder shall be returned after successful completion of lease period. However, it shall be forfeited in case of withdrawal of bid, default, or failure to sign or execute the lease agreement within the stipulated time.
7. **Security Deposit:** The successful bidder shall deposit a security amount equivalent to 5% of the total bid amount of respective lot within seven (07) days of issuance of the bid

acceptance letter. Failure to deposit the required amount within the stipulated time shall result in cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the earnest money. The security deposit shall be refundable upon satisfactory completion of the lease period, subject to adjustment or forfeiture against any dues, non-payment, losses, damages, or breach of the lease agreement.

8. **Lease Agreement:** The successful bidder shall execute a formal lease agreement on e-stamp paper worth Rs. 1,000/- with DRIP, PCRWR, incorporating all terms, conditions, and payment obligations within 15 days of issuance of the bid acceptance letter. The copy of lease agreement containing detailed terms and condition may be downloaded from PCRWR website, EPADS or may be obtained from this office ([insert: detailed terms and condition](#)).
9. **Right to Accept or Reject Bids:** The competent authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids at any stage without assigning reason. The authority may terminate the lease agreement of the successful bidder if contractual obligations are violated.
10. **Liability:** DRIP, PCRWR shall not be liable for any loss arising from natural calamities, pest infestations, adverse weather, market fluctuations, or government policy changes. Participation in the auction via EPADS constitutes unconditional acceptance of these conditions.

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