

Ethnicity, religion to be disregarded in appointments: *Pezeshkian*



National Desk
Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian said he will try to choose competent and accomplished individuals to serve the country irrespective of their ethnicity, race, religion and faction affiliations. Pezeshkian referred to the appointment of a politician from the country's Sunni community as a member of the government for the

Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian (c) talks with a Sunni cleric during a meeting on the occasion of the Unity Week on September 17, 2024. **IRNA**

first time since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, saying he has placed a premium on unity and cohesion from the beginning of his tenure. He made the remarks in a Tuesday meeting with the country's Sunni scholars and clerics on the occasion of the Unity Week. The Iranian president named Abdolkarim Hosseinzadeh from the Sunni minority as his vice president for rural development and disadvantaged areas after taking office in August. Hosseinzadeh, 44, has since 2012 represented the northwestern cities of Naghadeh and Oshnavieh in parliament. Sunni Muslims account

for around 10 percent of Iran's population, where the vast majority are Shias. During the Tuesday meeting, Pezeshkian also pointed to Israel's genocidal war in Gaza, which has killed more than 41,000 Palestinians in nearly one year. He said differences between Muslims have caused the Israeli regime to do whatever it wants in the region and kill women, children, young and old. If Muslims are united, the Israel regime cannot continue its crimes. Pezeshkian won presidential vote on July 5 against former nuclear negotiator Saeed Jalili. He replaced Ebrahim Raisi who died in a helicopter crash in May.

Iran repudiates allegations of arms transfer to Yemen



Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi once again dismissed claims that the country has supplied weapons to Yemen, saying Sana'a is capable of meeting its military requirements.

"Accusing Iran of sending weapons to Yemen is an insult to the people of Yemen," Araghchi said in an interview with Yemen's al-Masirah television channel on Monday, Press TV reported.

He added that Yemen possesses the military technology and has become capable of strengthening its arsenal.

The top Iranian diplomat emphasized that Yemen has become one of the key pillars in the Axis of Resistance and plays an exceptional role in supporting the Gaza Strip, which has been under brutal attacks of the Israeli regime over the past 11 months.

Araghchi noted that Yemen makes its own decisions about using its weapons in a way it deems suitable.

Earlier in the day, Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian dismissed claims that Iran has provided Yemen with hypersonic missiles or the technology to manufacture the weaponry.

He said, "We have the missile power but we do not give missiles to Yemen. Before the war [in Gaza], Yemen had acquired the technology to manufacture missiles and was producing them."

Pager blasts injure thousands in attack on Hezbollah

International Desk

Lebanon's Health Minister Firass Abiad said eight people were killed and some 2,750 wounded, including Iran's ambassador, after pagers used by the Lebanese Hezbollah movement detonated simultaneously on Tuesday.

The blasts "killed eight people, including a girl," Abiad told a televised press conference. "About 2,750 people were injured... more than 200 of them critically" with injuries mostly reported in the faces, hands and abdomens, he added.

According to Iranian media, the wounds of Iranian ambassador to Lebanon Mojtaba Amani were "superficial" and that he was "conscious and in no danger." Hezbollah said in a statement that Israel is "fully responsible" for pager blasts.



There was no immediate comment from the Israeli military. Photos and videos from Beirut's southern suburbs circulating on social media and in local media showed people lying on the pave-

ment with wounds on their hands or near their pants pockets. Hezbollah has been exchanging near-daily fire with Israeli forces since the beginning of Israel's war in Gaza in last October.

EU trying to keep up diplomacy with JCPOA parties

The European Union is actively engaging with Iran, the US, and other parties to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) to keep diplomatic channels open and explore opportunities for resuming meaningful nuclear talks, said Peter Stano, European Commission spokesperson, in an interview with TurkicWorld. Stano emphasized the EU's role as the JCPOA coordinator under UN Security Council Resolution 2231, stressing the importance of diplomacy in addressing the issue of Iran's nuclear program. He highlighted the EU's

deep reliance on the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as the sole international body responsible for monitoring Iran's nuclear activities. However, recent reports from the IAEA have raised serious concerns about Iran's nuclear trajectory and its alleged lack of cooperation with the agency, the spokesperson noted. Tehran began to scale back its commitments to the JCPOA in a series of pre-announced steps after the US' withdrawal from the agreement in 2018 and other parties' failure to fulfill their obligations.

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Invitation for one stage Bidding

Islamic Republic of Iran
FARS Six Cities Sanitation Improvement Project
Invitation for Procurement of:
DESIGN, BUILD, INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF SEPIDAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
IsDB Financing No. IRN-0107

The Government of Islamic Republic of Iran has received financing from the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) towards the cost of the Fars Six Cities Sanitation Improvement Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to payments under the contracts for Sepidan wastewater treatment plant. The Fars Water and Wastewater Company (FWWC) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Procurement of: Remaining Works of Design, Build, Installation And Operation Of Sepidan Wastewater Treatment Plant as described in the following table:

No	City	Description of Package
1	Sepidan	Remaining Works of Procurement of Design, Build And Operate Sepidan Wastewater Treatment Plant with capacity 4,400 M ³ /day

Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures using Post-Qualification as specified in the IsDB's Guidelines for the Procurement of Goods, Works and Related Services under IsDB Project Financing (April 2019), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guideline and Bidding Documents. In addition, please refer to paragraphs 1.18 -21 setting forth IsDB's policy on conflict of interest.

Interested eligible Applicants may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents from the Fars Water & Wastewater Company (address below) as from the date of SPN Publication.

A complete set of the Bidding document in English may be purchased by interested Applicants (a) on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of

آگهی تدارک خصوصی

(فراخوان مناقصه یک مرحله‌ای)

جمهوری اسلامی ایران
پروژه بهسازی بهداشت ۶ شهر استان فارس
دعوت برای باقیمانده تدارک طراحی، ساخت، نصب تجهیزات و بهره‌برداری تصفیه‌خانه فاضلاب شهر سپیدان

شماره اعتبار سرمایه بانک توسعه اسلامی: IRN-0107

دولت جمهوری اسلامی ایران اعتباری از بانک توسعه اسلامی (IsDB) جهت اجرای پروژه ارتقای بهداشت ۶ شهر استان فارس دریافت داشته و در نظر دارد بخشی از این اعتبار را به منظور پرداخت‌های قراردادها و تصفیه‌خانه‌های فاضلاب شهرهای مربوطه به مصرف برساند. شرکت آب و فاضلاب استان فارس هم اکنون از پیشنهادات لگ و مهر شده پیمانکاران واجد صلاحیت جهت باقیمانده طراحی، ساخت، نصب و بهره‌برداری تصفیه‌خانه فاضلاب شهر سپیدان که در جدول زیر تشریح شده است، دعوت می‌کند.

ردیف	نام شهر	شرح کار
۱	سپیدان	باقیمانده کارهای طراحی، ساخت، نصب تجهیزات و بهره‌برداری تصفیه‌خانه فاضلاب شهر سپیدان به ظرفیت ۴۴۰۰ متر مکعب در شبانه روز

مناقصه از طریق فرآیند پست ارزیابی تعیین شده در دستور العمل تأمین کالا و اجرائی کار بانک توسعه اسلامی (آوریل ۲۰۱۹) برای مناقصه رقابتی داخلی (NCB) انجام خواهد شد و در دسترس تمامی پیشنهاددهندگان از شرکت‌های واجد شرایط بانوی که در دستور العمل بانک مذکور تعریف شده، می‌باشد. علاوه بر این، لفظیاً پاراگراف ۱۸-۱۹ که سیاست IsDB را در مورد تعارض منافع از آن می‌دهد، ملاحظه کنید. مناقصیان علاقه‌مند واجد شرایط می‌توانند برای بررسی و کسب اطلاعات بیشتر، اسناد مناقصه را در ساعات اداری از شرکت آب و فاضلاب استان فارس به آدرس زیر از تاریخ انتشار آگهی دریافت نمایند.

مناقصیان می‌توانند مجموعاً کامل از اسناد مناقصه به زبان انگلیسی و فارسی (نسخه فارسی صحت‌اطلاع) با درخواست کتبی در مقابل پرداخت هزینه انتشار آگهی به‌عهد برده مناقصه خواهد بود.

60,000,000 Iranian Rials for each package. The method of payment will be direct deposit to Account No. 0111930032008, Bank Saderat Iran, Payment ID No. 13132990014005, in the name of Fars Water and Wastewater Company. Applicants can get the Bidding documents from Fars Water and Wastewater Company upon receipt of the cash deposit as indicated above.

All bids accompanied by a bid security must be submitted in sealed envelopes, and delivered to the address below no later than 10:30 a.m. Wednesday October 30, 2024 (Aban 09, 1403).

The Bids will be opened at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 (Aban 09, 1403) in the presence of bidders' representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late bids will be rejected and returned unopened.

The payment security to participate in the work process: **28,817,000,000 IRR (Twenty eight billion and eight hundred and Seventeen million Iranian Rials)**

Fars Water and Wastewater Company (FWWC)
Address: Secretariat Office, First Floor, Fourth Street (Sobhani St.), West Ghodoudsi Biv., Shahid Mottahari Square, Shiraz
Postal Code: 71868-98465
Tel: +98 (71) 38435167
Facsimile: +98 (71) 38435162
Email: pnu.abfars2023@gmail.com
Website: www.abfa-fars.ir
The Cost of advertising the SPN shall be borne by the successful bidder.