

E-Bulletin



Public Procurement Authority

PPA STAKEHOLDERS CAPACITY BUILDING

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S takeholders are defined as the group without whose support an organisation will cease to exist. Given the extent of impact stakeholders could have on the successful operation of an organisation, it is highly recommended that they are effectively engaged with the provision of accurate and timely information that would guide their decision-making and choices. Indeed, it is believed that when stakeholders are properly engaged, they tend to develop a healthy association with the ideals of an organisation and eventually become advocates who champion their course.

In view of this, the PPA has since its inception found it necessary to develop a capacity development framework that will offer its varied stakeholders effective training on the requirements of Ghana's Public Procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663). To date, over 10, 000 stakeholders made up of Heads of Entities, Procurement Officers, Service Providers, Media, Civil Society Organisations and other Oversight Institutions have received training in Modules such as the Overview of Act 663, Procurement Planning, Procurement Structures, Procurement Methods, Sustainable



Public Procurement etc. (we share with you in this edition some feedbacks from some of our participants)

Inspite of the success made in our capacity development efforts, it is worth noting that the achievements have not come cheap. The Authority has over the years obtained support from development partners like GTZ, World Bank, SECO, DfID and CIDA in order to organise these training programmes. However, owing to the dwindling support from these partners in recent times, Procurement Entities who call for training are being made to meet the cost half way so as to ensure sustainability of the capacity development process.

Additionally, to bridge the widening capacity gap among procurement practitioners, the Authority with support from the Millennium Development Authority (MiDA) have also developed curricula and modules for degree awarding programmes in Public Procurement among some selected tertiary institutions which is yielding much success.

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Online Activities

List of entities that have submitted their 2015 Procurement Plans online As At Jun 30, 2015

- 1. Accra Academy Senior High School
- 2. Accra Polytechnic
- 3. Afadzato South District Assembly
- 4. Agona West Municipal Assembly
- 5. Ahantaman Senior High School
- 6. Akim Oda Government Hospital
- 7. Akuse Government Hospital
- 8. Akwapim North District Assembly
- 9. Akwapim South Municipal Assembly
- 10. Assesewa Hospital
- 11. Atebubu College of Education
- 12. Atua Government Hospital
- 13. Bank of Ghana
- 14. Begoro Hospital
- 15. Benkum Senior High School
- 16. Berekum College of Education
- 17. Bolgatanga Municipal
- 18. Bolgatanga Polytechnic
- 19. Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation
- 20. Cape Coast Nursing and Midwifery Training College
- 21. Cape Coast Polytechnic
- 22. Cape Coast District Hospital
- 23. Central- Regional Co-ordinating Council
- 24. Centre For National Culture Western Region
- 25. Centre for Scientific Research Into Plant Medicine
- 26. Christ The King Catholic School
- 27. Controller And Accountant General Dept
- 28. Copyright Administration
- 29. Council for Law Reporting
- 30. Council for Scientific and Industrial Research
- 31. Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training
- 32. Council of State
- 33. Daboase Senior Technical School
- 34. Dadease Agriculture Senior High School
- 35. Department Of Urban Roads
- 36. District Assembly Common fund
- 37. Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority
- 38. Dunkwa Senior High Technical School
- 39. East Akim Municipal Assembly
- 40. Economic and Organised Crime Office
- 41. Ejisuman Senior High School
- 42. Encyclopedia Africa Project
- 43. Energy Commission
- 44. Environmental Protection Agency
- 45. Export Development and Investment Fund
- 46. Fanteakwa District Assembly
- 47. Foods and Drugs Authority
- 48. Forestry Commission
- 49. Ga East Municipal Assembly
- 50. Ga South Municipal Assembly
- 51. Ghana Academy of Arts And Sciences
- 52. Ghana Airports Company Limited
- 53. Ghana Audit Service
- 54. Ghana Broadcasting Corporation
- 55. Ghana Civil Aviation Authority

- 56. Ghana Cocoa Board
- 57. Ghana Cocoa Board Quality Control Division
- 58. Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons
- 59. Ghana Cylinder Manufacturing Company Limited
- 60. Ghana Education Service
- 61. Ghana Free Zones Board
- 62. Ghana Grid Company Ltd.
- 63. Ghana Immigration Service
- 64. Ghana Institute of Journalism
- 65. Ghana Institute of Management And Public Administration
- 66. Ghana Investment Fund For Electronic Communications
- 67. Ghana Investment Promotion Council
- 68. Ghana Library Board
- 69. Ghana National Fire Service
- 70. Ghana National Gas Company
- 71. Ghana National Petroleum Corporation
- 72. Ghana Police Service
- 73. Ghana Ports And Harbours Authority
- 74. Ghana Railway Development Authority
- 75. Ghana Reinsurance Company Ltd
- 76. Ghana Revenue Authority
- 77. Ghana School of Law
- 78. Ghana Standards Authority
- 79. Ghana Statistical Service
- 80. Ghana Tourist Board
- 81. Ghana Water Company Limited
- 82. Ghana-India Kofi Annan Center of Excellence

98. Komenda/ Edina/ Eguafo / Abirem District Assembly

110. Management Development And Productivity Institute

- 83. Grains And Legumes Development Board
- 84. Ho Municipal Assembly
- 85. Ho Polytechnic
- 86. Holy Child College of Education
- 87. Institute of Local Government Studies
- 88. Internal Audit Agency
- 89. Jasikan District Assembly
- 90. Jomoro District Assembly
- 91. Judicial Service
- 92. Jukwa Senior High School
- 93. Keta Business Senior High School

99. Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital

103. Kwaebibirem District Health Directorate

106. Ledzokuku-Krowor Municipal Assembly

108. Local Government Service Secretariat

- 94. Keta Senior High School
- 95. Ketu District Hospital
- Ketu North District Assembly
 Koforidua General Hospital

100. Korle bu Teaching Hospital

101. Krachi West District Hospital 102. Kumasi Polytechnic

104. Kwaebiirem District Assembly

105. Kwahu West District Assembly

107. LEKMA Hospital

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109. Mamprobi Polyclinic

111. Mankesim Senior High Technical School 112. Margaret Mary High School 113. Metro Mass Transport Ltd 114. Minerals Commission 115. Ministry of Chieftaincy and Traditional Affairs 116. Ministry Of Communication 117. Ministry Of Education 118. Ministry Of Employment And Labour Relations 119. Ministry Of Energy And Petroleum 120. Ministry Of Environment Science And Technology 121. Ministry Of Fisheries And Aquaculture Development 122. Ministry Of Foreign Affairs And Regional Integration 123. Ministry Of Health 124. Ministry Of Local Government And Rural Development 125. Ministry Of Roads And Highways 126. Ministry Of Tourism Culture And Creative Arts 127. Ministry Of Transport 128. Ministry Of Water Resources, Works And Housing 129. Ministry of Women and Children Affairs 130. Ministry of Youth and Sports 131. Mpohor District Assembly 132. Mpohor Senior High School 133. Municipal Health Administration-Nsawam Adoagyiri 134. Namong Senior High School 135. Narcotics Control Board 136. National Accreditation Board 137. National Board for Professional And Technical Examinations 138. National Commission For Civic Education 139. National Commission on Culture 140. National Communication Authority 141. National Development Planning Commission 142. National Film and Television Institute 143. National Health Insurance Authority 144. National Identification Authority 145. National Labour Commission 146. National Lottery Authority 147. National Petroleum Authority 148. National Population Council 149. National Road Safety Commission 150. National Service Secretariat 151. National Sports Authority 152. National Vocational Training Institute 153. New Abirem Government Hospital 154. New Juaben Municipal Assembly 155. New Tafo Hospital 156. Non Formal Education Division 157. North Tongu District Assembly 158. Nsawam Government Hospital 159. Nurses and Midwifery Training College - Sekondi 160. Nursing and Midwifery Council of Ghana 161. Office of the Head of Civil Service 162. Office of the Regional Health Directorate - Brong Ahafo Region 163. Office of the Regional Health Directorate - Eastern Region 164. Office of the Regional Health Directorate – Northern Region 165. Office of the Regional Health Directorate - Upper West Region 166. Offinso College of Education 167. Peki Senior High Technical School 168. Peki Training College 169. Petroleum Commission 170. Pharmacy Council 171. Potsin T.I. Ahmaddiya Senior High School

172. Precious Minerals Marketing Corporation 173. Prempeh College 174. Presby College of Education - Akropong 175. Prestea-Huni Valley District Assembly 176. Psychiatric Nursing Training School 177. Public Procurement Authority 178. Public Utilities Regulatory Commission 179. Registrar Generals Department 180. S.D.A. College of Education Asokore 181. Savannah Accelerated Development Authority 182. School of Allied Health Sciences 183. School of Anesthesia - Ridge Regional Hospital 184. School of Medicine and Dentistry 185. SIC Life Company Limited 186. Social Security and National Insurance Trust (SSNIT) 187. Sogakope District Hospital 188. St. Augustine's College 189. St. Johns Senior High School 190. St. Joseph's College of Education 191. St. Monica Training College 192. St. Theresa's Hospital - Nandom 193. Students Loan Trust Fund 194. Suhum Municipal Assembly 195. Sunyani Polytechnic 196. Takoradi Polytechnic 197. Tamale Metropolitan Assembly 198. Tamale Polytechnic 199. Tamale College of Education 200. Tarkwa Nsuaem Municipal Assembly 201. Tema Development Corporation 202. Tema Metropolitan Assembly 203. Tetteh Quarshie Memorial Hospital 204. University For Development Studies 205. University Ghana School of Pharmacy 206. University Of Cape Coast (UCC) 207. University of Energy and Natural Resource 208. University Of Ghana (UG) 209. University of Ghana Business School (UGBS) 210. University of Health and Allied Sciences 211. University of Mines -Tarkwa 212. University of Professional Studies Accra 213. University Of Science And Technology (KNUST) 214. University Prac. Senior High School 215. Upper Denkyira East Municipal Assembly 216. Uthman Bin Afan Senior High School 217. Volta Lake Transport Company Limited 218. Volta Regional Hospital 219. Volta River Authority 220. Wa General Hospital 221. Wa Polytechnic 222. West African Examination Council 223. West Mamprusi District Assembly 224. Yendi District Hospital 225. Yendi Municipal Assembly

226. Yilo Krobo District Assembly

IMPACT OF PPA's CAPACITY BUILDING /TRAINING QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROCUREMENT PRACTITIONERS

The PPA publishes a bi-monthly e-procurement bulletin on its website. The July –August edition will seek to assess the level of its impact of training and capacity building programmes has had on your performance as far as public procurement is concern. Having participated in this training, we will appreciate your time to respond to the following questions.

National Theatre

Q. Name

- A. Evelyn Narkie Anikpi
- **Q**. Organization
- A. National Theatre of Ghana
- Q. Designation
- A. Head of Procurement
- Q. When did you attend the training programme
- A. February, 2015.
- Q. Duration

A 2-3 days

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Q. Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. I have a good understanding of the Act and have applied it very well

Understanding of the Appeals & Complaints processes as per Act 663

A. There has never been any complaint hence I have never put it into practice even though I have the knowledge of it.

Tender documentation e.g. Preparation of tender documents

Evaluation and reporting

A. The training has enhanced my skills in terms of evaluation and reporting as per the standard set by the PPA.

Development of Specifications

A. With the knowledge gained I am always able to developed the right specifications with cooperation from the user departments

Procurement planning

A. The training gave me in-depth understanding to how to prepare the procurement plan. This I have been able to do including posting it on PPA's website

Others

A. Made me aware of new developments in the Procurement Act as well new policies being introduced by the PPA

Q. What are your challenges with the implementation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. The lack of understanding of the Public Procurement Act by the staff and management makes it application or implementation very difficult.

Q. What are some of the areas/content that was not covered under this training but are considered to be essential for the training of procurement Practitioners

A. Application of the procurement method for services and International Competitive Tendering

Q. Any suggestions for the next training-

A. Duration...It should be at least a week so that a lot can be covered

Evelyn Narkíe Aníkpí Natíonal Theatre of Ghana

Ghana Revenue Authority



Richard Dabri: Ghana

- Q. Name
- A. Richard Dabri
- Q. Organization
- A. Ghana Revenue Authority
- Q. Designation
- A. Chief Revenue Officer-Procurement
- Q. When did you attend the training programme
- A. 2014
- Q. Duration
- A. 5 days

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. Excellent and friendly in its application due to my understanding of the public procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663)

Understanding of the Appeals & Complaints processes as per Act 663

A. Its application has been useful and successful. In 2014, we were able to resolve an issue with a supplier concerning contract award in relations to goods supplied to the my organization

Tender documentation e.g. Preparation of tender documents

Evaluation and reporting

A. Procedures outlined concerning evaluation and reporting as required by the PPA are fol-

lowed to determine the successful bidder

Development of Specifications

A. The development of specifications are done in conjunction with the user departments to meet the standards required

Procurement Planning

A. It is drawn from the budget with further inputs from user departments and management. We are also able to post the plans on PPA's website after sending a hard copy to the PPA.

Others

Q. What are your challenges with the implementation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. The thresholds for the various procurement methods are very low and would therefore suggest for the amendment of the Public Procurement Act to review the various thresholds.

Q. What are some of the areas/content that was not covered under this training but are considered to be essential for the training of procurement Practitioners

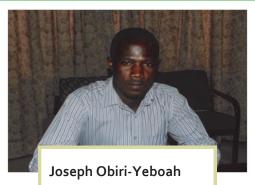
A. I will appreciate it if there is training on areas such as guidelines for the application of sustainable public procurement.

Q. Any suggestions for the next training-

A. Duration ... Two weeks

Ríchard Dabrí *Ghana Revenue Authoríty*

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROCUREMENT PRACTITIONERS—CONTD. Road Safety Commission



Q. Organization

National Road Safety Commission

Q. Designation

Ag. Procurement Officer

Q. When did you attend the training programme

15th May, 2014.

Q. Duration Tick

1 day

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663...it was very educative

I am now abreast with the various provisions of the Procurement Act as I go about my procurement activities with little difficulty.

Understanding of the Appeals & Complaints processes as per Act 663

The training brought to management attention how disputes can be resolved in case it arises. However, we are yet to put it to test since my institution has not encountered one yet.

Tender documentation e.g. Preparation of tender documents

PPA standard tender documents for the various methods of procurement are being used.

Evaluation and reporting

Evaluation is done strictly as indicated in the tender documents

Development of Specifications

Detailed and comprehensive specification are developed and indicated in the tender documents.

Procurement planning

Timely preparation of the procurement plan consistent with the annual budget of the entity. A copy is sent to PPA and also posted on the PPA's website as required by PPA.

Others

Q. What are your challenges with the implementation of the Public Procurement Act 663

I think the threshold for the various procurement methods are very low and therefore it would be better if they are reviewed to meet current trends in the procurement process.

Q. What are some of the areas/content that was not covered under this training but are considered to be essential for the training of procurement Practitioners?

Training in the area of Sustainable Public procurement, contract management as well as framework agreement.

Any suggestions for the next training

2 days or more would be better to cover a lot of areas.

Joseph Obírí-Yeboah Natíonal Road Safety Commission

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROCUREMENT PRACTITIONERS—CONTD. Public Utility Regulatory Commission



Q. Organization

A. Public Utility Regulatory Commission

Q. Designation

A. Director, Finance and Administration

Q. When did you attend the training programme

A. 2014

Q. Duration Tick

A. 5 days

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. The program helped me to know that the Act should not be overlooked when undertaking procurement activities in PURC

Understanding of the Appeals & Complaints processes as per Act 663

Tender documentation e.g. Preparation of tender documents

A. The program has helped me to know how to use the standard tender documents for our procurements.

Evaluation and reporting

A. I know the basic requirement on evaluation and report on the evaluation

Development of Specifications

Procurement planning

A. We are now able to develop the procurement plan and also post it on website of the PPA.

Others

A. Aware of procurement audit and the functions of the PPA

Q. What are your challenges with the implementation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. Deciding between the different methods of procurement. The use of threshold and its relevance in today's business since the thresholds are very low. Distinguishing procurement of administrative goods and services. Thus routine administrative expenses should be spelt out clearly and made easy to procure for efficient and effective management of entities

Q. What are some of the areas/content that was not covered under this training but are considered to be essential for the training of procurement Practitioners?

Q. Any suggestions for the next training

A. Overview of the PPA Act 663 and refresher course on Sustainable Public Procurement

A. Duration...One Week

Emmanuel Kwadwo Kissi-Boateng Public Utility Regulatory Commission

IMPACT OF PPA'S CAPACITY BUILDING /TRAINING QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ENTITY TENDER COMMITTEE

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National Road Safety Commission

- Q. Organization
- A. National Road Safety Commission
- Q. Designation
- A. Director, Research, Monitoring & Evaluation

Q. When did you attend the training programme

A. 15th May, 2014

Q. Duration

1 day

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. It was very insightful and has broaden my knowledge as to the various provisions stipulated in the Act.

Approval of Procurement Plans

A. Procurement Plans have been timeously Prepared and approved and submitted to PPA

Quarterly Review of Procurement plan

A. 2015 procurement plan has been reviewed. There were, however, no variations

Approval of Contracts

The Entity Tender Committee continuous to be mindful of the limits of its approving authority

Using of PPA's Average Price Database

A. This was not brought up during the training programme. It could, however, be useful for value – for-money consideration. We will check on it.



Others

Q. What are your challenges with the implementation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. The threshold continuous to appear to be low especially that of the Entity head's approval

Q. What are some of the areas/content that was not covered under this training which you consider essential for the training of ETC Members.

1. Sensitization on the Average Price Database

2. Sensitization on Sustainable Public Procurement

Q. Any suggestions for the next training-

A. The duration for training programme should be at least 2 days or more, so that enough areas could be covered

Martín Owusu Afram Natíonal Road Safety Commission

IMPACT OF PPA'S CAPACITY BUILDING /TRAINING QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PROVIDER

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VISTA

Q. Name

- A. Donald Humphery-Ackomey
- Q. Organization
- A. VISTA
- Q. Designation
- A. Partner

Q. When did you attend the training programme

Α.

- Q. Duration
- A. 2-3 days

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance?

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. It is broad, covers a wide range of topics and therefore needs regular update

Understanding of the Appeals & Complaints processes as per Act 663......

Tender documentation e.g Tender security performance bonds

Submission of Responsive Tenders

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Understanding of product specification

A. Give an appreciation of the need to be very specific and accurate to ensure a level playing field for pricing by tenderers

Others

Q. What are some of the areas/content that were not covered under this training but considered to be essential for Service Providers

A. Training of evaluators and procurement heads to be intensified to ensure the aim of fairness and transparency is achieved

Q. Any suggestions for the next training-

A. Two days is enough to be spelt out for more detailed and comprehensive training.

Explanation of the marking scheme (Evaluation Report)

Donald Humphery-Ackomey VISTA

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SERVICE PROVIDER Contd. PRONET

- Q. Name
- A. Charles Ebo Manson
- Q. Organization
- A. Pronet Limited
- Q. Designation
- A. Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- **Q**. When did you attend the training programme
- **A.** 6TH and 7TH JUNE, 2013
- **Q**. Duration
- A. 2-3 days

Q. What has been the level of impact of the training programme on your performance? A. More Awareness To Tender Eligibility And Responsiveness

Appreciation of the Public Procurement Act 663

A. Very Much

Understanding of the Appeals &Complaints processes as per Act 663.....

A. Appreciates But Not Yet Utilised To Evaluate It's Effectiveness

Tender documentation e.g Tender security performance bonds Submission of Responsive Tenders

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Understanding of product specification

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Others

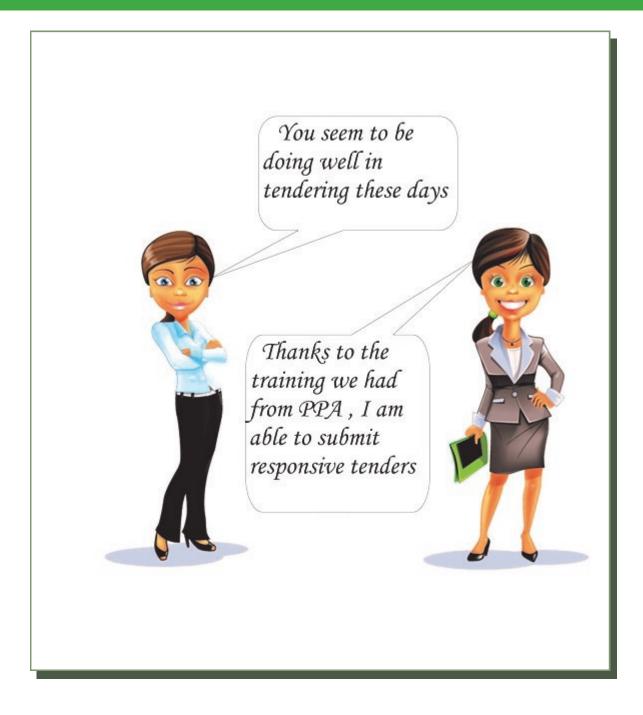
Q. What are some of the areas/content that were not covered under this training but considered to be essential for Service Providers

A. The training dwelt more on precontract processes and it will be very helpful if another session is held (at least for 3 days) to walk participants through the post-contract process of the procurement cycle with strong emphasis on contract administration for works procurement and the obligations, responsibilities as well as right and privileges of the parties to a contract in respect of the various provisions spelt out in the conditions of contract governing a public procurement.

- Q. Any suggestions for the next training-
- A. Duration should be Three Days.

Charles Ebo Manson Pronet Límíted

Procurement Humour



Tendering and Contract Information for Periods Indicated

Tendering Opportunities for Jul - Aug 2015

Contracts Awarded for Jan - Dec 2015

Restricted Tender Awards Jan - Dec 2015

Expression of Interest Requests Jul - Aug 2015

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