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Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher, is quoted as saying "**change is the only constant in life.**" and Ghana's public procurement system is no exception. After over a decade of implementation of the Public Procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663), a number of changes have been introduced with the enactment of the Public Procurement (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act 914).

As part of sensitization on these new provisions, the Authority has begun a series in this bulletin, with a view to deliberate on specific issues of critical importance that pertains to the procurement structures and processes such as the new roles and responsibilities of Entity Tender Committees, Procurement Units as discussed in the previous edition, the regulatory body –PPA, the Appeals and Complaints Panel, the appointment of a Contract Manager etc.

Thus, for this edition, we take a critical look at the rational for the re-categorization of procurement entities, the justification for the dissolution of District and Ministerial Tender Review Boards and the restructuring of the Entity Tender Committees and the revised modalities of the Central and Regional Tender Review Committees. We therefore call on all stakeholders –procurement entities, procurement practitioners, civil society organisations and the private sector to apprise themselves with the new provisions in the Public Procurement Act as amended and adjust their operations to suit requirements in order to yield a greater good in our wider public financial management reform process. After all, a change in the *rhythm of the drum beat must cause a change in the dance steps!*

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Online Activities

List of entities that have submitted their 2017 Procurement Plans Online As At February 28 , 2017

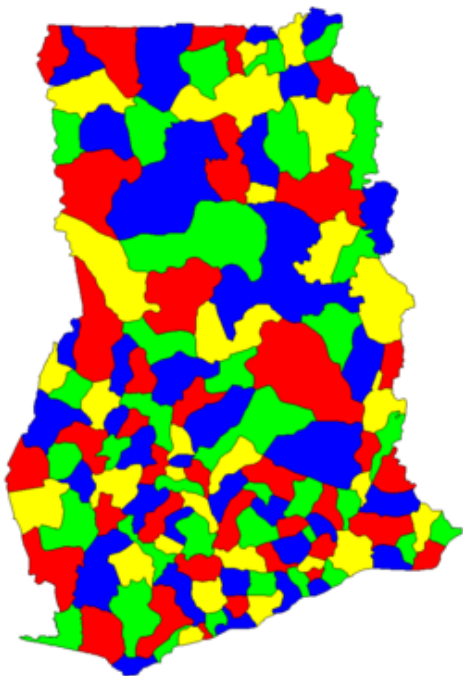
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| 1. Accra Technical University | 42. Ghana Grid Company Ltd. |
| 2. Achinakrom Senior High School | 43. Ghana Health Service |
| 3. Adansi North District Assembly | 44. Ghana Institute of Management And Public Administration |
| 4. Adidome District Hospital | 45. Ghana Investment Fund For Electronic Communications |
| 5. Agona West Municipal Assembly | 46. Ghana National Petroleum Corporation |
| 6. Achantaman Senior High School | 47. Ghana Police Service |
| 7. Ajumako/Enyan/Esiam District Assembly | 48. Ghana Ports And Harbours Authority |
| 8. Akatsi District Hospital | 49. Ghana Prisons Service |
| 9. Akatsi College of Education | 50. Ghana Reinsurance Company Ltd |
| 10. Akim Oda Government Hospital | 51. Ghana Revenue Authority |
| 11. Akuse Government Hospital | 52. Ghana School of Law |
| 12. Akwapim North Municipal Assembly | 53. Ghana Shippers Authority |
| 13. Asare Bediako Senior High School | 54. Ghana Standards Authority |
| 14. Atebubu-Amantin District Hospital | 55. Ghana Water Company Limited |
| 15. Bank of Ghana | 56. Gomoa East District Assembly |
| 16. Bekwai District Hospital | 57. Gomoa West District Assembly |
| 17. Bia East District Assembly | 58. Grains And Legumes Development Board |
| 18. Bolgatanga Polytechnic | 59. Ho Municipal Assembly Dist. Hospital |
| 19. Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation | 60. Ho Polyclinic |
| 20. Centre for Scientific Research Into Plant Medicine | 61. Ho Technical University |
| 21. Community Health Nurses Training School - Tamale | 62. Jasikan District Hospital |
| 22. Controller And Accountant General Department | 63. Jirapa District Hospital |
| 23. Copyright Administration | 64. Kedjebi District Assembly |
| 24. Council for Scientific and Industrial Research | 65. Ketu South Municipal Hospital |
| 25. Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training | 66. Kibi Government Hospital |
| 26. Dambai College of Education | 67. Koforidua General Hospital |
| 27. Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority | 68. Koforidua Technical University |
| 28. East Akim Municipal Assembly | 69. Komenda/Edina/Eguafo/Abirem Municipal Assembly |
| 29. Ejisu Juaben Municipal Assembly | 70. Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital |
| 30. Energy Commission | 71. Konongo Odumase Senior High School |
| 31. Environmental Protection Agency | 72. Korle Bu Teaching Hospital |
| 32. Fantekwa District Assembly | 73. Krachi East District Assembly |
| 33. Foods and Drugs Board | 74. Krachi West District Assembly |
| 34. Forestry Commission | 75. Krachi West District Hospital |
| 35. Ghana Academy of Arts And Sciences | 76. Kumasi Technical University |
| 36. Ghana Aids Commission | 77. Kwabre District Assembly |
| 37. Ghana Airports Company Limited | 78. Kwaebiirem District Assembly |
| 38. Ghana Atomic Energy Commission | 79. Kwahu Afram Plains North District Health Directorate |
| 39. Ghana Broadcasting Corporation | 80. La Dade-Kotopon Municipal Assembly |
| 40. Ghana Civil Aviation Authority | 81. Lawra District Hospital |
| 41. Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons | 82. Lawra Senior High School |



83. Management Development And Productivity Institute
 84. Minerals Commission
 85. Ministry Of Defence
 86. Ministry of Employment and Labour Relations
 87. Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture Development
 88. ministry of health
 89. Ministry Of Lands And Natural Recourses
 90. Ministry Of Roads And Highways
 91. Ministry Of Trade, Industry, Private Sector And PSI
 92. Mpasatia Senior High Technical School
 93. Mpohor District Assembly
 94. Mpohor Wassa East District Assembly
 95. Nanumba North (Nanumba) District Assembly
 96. National Accreditation Board
 97. National Board for Professional And Technical Examinations
 98. National Commission For Civic Education
 99. National Development Planning Commission
 100. National Identification Authority
 101. National Information Technology Agency
 102. National Lottery Authority
 103. National Pensions Regulatory Authority
 104. National Petroleum Authority
 105. National Sports College
 106. National Vocational Training Institute
 107. New Edubiase District Hospital
 108. North Tongu District Assembly
 109. Northern Electricity Distribution Company
 110. Nsawam Government Hospital
 111. Nurses and Midwifery Training College - Sekondi
 112. Obuasi Municipal Assembly
 113. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT - MAIN
 114. Office of the Regional Health Directorate – Northern Region
 115. Office of the Regional Health Directorate – Upper West Region
 116. Office of the Regional Health Directorate – Western
 117. Opoku Ware Senior High School
 118. Peki Government Hospital
 119. Presby Senior High School. - Legon
 120. Prestea-Huni Valley District Assembly
 121. Public Procurement Authority

122. Registrar Generals Department
 123. Accra Regional Hospital (Ridge Hospital)
 124. School of Anesthesia - Ridge Regional Hospital
 125. Securities and Exchange Commission
 126. Sefwi Wiawso Senior High School
 127. Shama District Assembly
 128. SIC Life Company Limited
 129. Social Security and National Insurance Trust (SSNIT)
 130. Sogakope District Hospital
 131. South Dayi District Assembly
 132. St. Francis College of Education
 133. St. Monica Training College
 134. St. Therasas Hospital - Nandom
 135. Suhum Municipal Assembly
 136. Sunyani Polytechnic
 137. Tamale Technical University
 138. Tarkwa Nsuaem Municipal Assembly
 139. Techiman North District Assembly
 140. Tema Development Corporation
 141. Tema Metropolitan Assembly
 142. Tepa District Hospital
 143. Tepa Senior High School
 144. Trauma And Specialist Hospital - Winneba
 145. University For Development Studies
 146. University Of Cape Coast (UCC)
 147. University of Mines and Technology - Tarkwa
 148. University of Professional Studies Accra
 149. University Of Science And Technology (KNUST)
 150. Upper Denkyira East Municipal Assembly
 151. Upper West- Regional Co-ordinating Council
 152. Volta Regional Hospital
 153. Volta River Authority
 154. Wa General Hospital
 155. Wassa Amenfi East District Assembly
 156. Wenchi Methodist Hospital
 157. West Akim Municipal Assembly
 158. Yendi District Hospital

District & Ministerial Tender Review Boards Abolished



The enactment of the Public Procurement (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act 914) on 11th May, 2016 brought with it a whole new wave of change in the public procurement landscape of Ghana. This wind of change carried away with it some old ways of doing public procurement. Notably among them is the total abolition of certain structures in the procurement system like the District & Ministerial Tender Review Boards.

The justification for this abolition are four fold. Firstly, on account of the fact that membership composition of Entity Tender Committees (ETCs) have been strengthened with personnel from within the individual institutions and experts from professional bodies, it is expected that ETCs will now have their full complement of competent personnel to guide procurement decision-making processes.

Secondly, with increased thresholds for approving authorities and methods of procurement under

the First to Fifth Schedule of Act 914, a Head of Entity in category A & B (which includes Central Management Agencies and State Owned Enterprises) for instance, now can approve procurement with a value of up to GHC 100,000 without recourse to its ETC or any Review Body. This means that a lot of procurements are likely to be conducted in an expedited manner with minimum bureaucratic interferences.

Thirdly, considering the high level of risks associated with these increased thresholds, the abolition of DTRBs and MTRBs ostensibly seeks to strengthen the audit function performed by the Internal Audit and External Auditors. It is now expected that Auditors will play their role more effectively to safeguard the public purse by ensuring discipline in public expenditure. Additionally, with the passage of the Public Financial Management Act, 2016 (Act 921) which is expected to regulate and provide a fiscal framework for the public financial management, stronger punitive measures will be proffered against public office holders who will be found foul of the law.

Finally, as the Government considers an amendment to the Criminal Offences Act, 1960 (Act 29) to the extent of even making corruption a felony, it behoves on all public officers especially those with public procurement responsibilities such as Heads of Entities, Members of ETCs, Staff of Procurement Units and other Oversight Institutions to ensure strict adherence to the law devoid of corruption in the discharge of their duties.

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IMPORTANT PUBLIC CAUTION- GOVERNMENT OF GHANA CONTRACT AWARDS

The Public Procurement Authority (PPA) wishes to bring to the attention of all High Commission and Embassies of the operations of some unscrupulous persons under the guise of:

- The Tender Board, Office of the Presidency, Republic of Ghana –www.tenderboard-gh.org
- Ghana Procurement Service –www.ghanaprocurementservices.com
- Ghana Tender Board –www.tenderboard-gh.org
- Bureau of Public & Contract Commission Authority –www.bpcc-tg.org
- Public Procurement Authority –www.ppaghana-gh.com

Their modus operandi include:

- Purporting to have been set up by the Government of Ghana, to provide off-site procurement outsourcing solutions, and awarding contracts on behalf of the Government of Ghana.
- Approaching innocent service providers with procurement proposals and false contract awards in a bid to lure them into suspicious deals.
- Requesting for deposits payments and samples of products

We are by this notice alerting you of their dealings and advising that no purported contract awards from such organizations should be entertained. Please be advised that Contracts in Ghana are awarded only after an exhaustive tendering process in which the awardees are expected to have participated. Such Tender notices are also put out by the individual Entities and not a Central Agency on behalf of Ghana Government.

Thus, members of the General Public are hereby cautioned to be wary of such scams and disregard any correspondence ostensibly coming from the above-listed institutions. Anyone who deals with them does so at their own risk.

The PPA is a creation of the Public Procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663) mandated to regulate, assess and ensure full compliance by entities to all the provisions of the Act. It does not undertake procurement on behalf of entities but rather seeks to build their capacities to enable effective implementation of the Act.

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RE-CATEGORIZATION OF ENTITIES

The amendment of the Public Procurement Act, Act 2003 (Act 663) was informed by a number of factors and observations. One of these observations was low thresholds. This particularly made it difficult for state owned enterprises which are commercially oriented to compete in a private sector environment.

Low thresholds for high spending public institutions such as the Bank of Ghana, the Central Management Agencies, Ministries, Department and Agencies as well as for the Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assemblies also made it necessary for Act 663 to be reviewed.

The review of Act 663 therefore led to the re-categorization of entities based on their functions and spending levels (High Spend, Medium and Low spend).

Entities were therefore categorized as below;

Category	Entities
A	Special Constitutional Bodies
B	Central Management Agencies, Ministries, State Owned Enterprises, Regional Coordinating Councils
C	Head Office of Subvented Agencies, Teaching Hospitals , Tertiary Educational Institutions
D	Regional Hospitals, Colleges, Regional office of Subvented Agencies
E	District office of Sub-vented Agencies, District Hospitals, Second Cycle schools
F	Metropolitan, Municipal & District Assemblies

Tendering and Contract Information for periods indicated

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