

"Procurement That Delivers"



STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON, PPDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS



The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Authority, (PPDA), was set up following the enactment of the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Authority Act in 2003.

According to the Act, the PPDA is the principal regulatory body for public procurement and disposal of public assets in Uganda.

The PPDA Act has since undergone amendments, the latest being in 2021, to align it with emerging trends in the public procurement and disposal arena.

The amendments have also introduced several prominent changes that strengthen and enhance the role of the PPDA in the execution of its regulatory function.

The roles of the PPDA, as per the provisions of Section 6 of the PPDA Act, 2003, are to:

- Ensure the application of fair, competitive, transparent, nondiscriminatory and value for money procurement and disposal standards and practices;
- Advise Government, local governments and other procuring and disposing entities on procurement and disposal policies, systems and practices and where necessary, on their harmonisation;

- Set standards for the public procurement and disposal systems in Uganda;
 - Monitor compliance of procuring and disposing entities; and
- Build procurement and disposal capacity in Uganda.
 To achieve the objectives above, the Authority has developed this

Clients' Charter which specifies service delivery commitments and standards against which our performance will be measured. The Charter provides the Authority staff with clear standards to strive for, for effective service delivery to our stakeholders.

This Charter also contributes to the realization of the undertakings in the Authority Strategic Plan, 2020/21 - 2024/25.

The PPDA Strategic Plan is anchored on four strategic objectives, to wit:

- Strengthening Regulation of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal System;
- Enhancing Stakeholder Engagement and Management;
- Strengthening Institutional and Management Capacity; and
- Leveraging Technology to Deliver Efficiency in Public Procurement.

 I therefore, call upon all our clients to internalize the provisions of this Charter to challenge us to ensure that our services meet your expectations.

Julius K Ishungisa CHAIRMAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FOREWORD



The PPDA, in its mission statement, undertakes to promote service delivery through effective regulation of the public procurement and disposal system. The main thrust of this mission is, service delivery through public procurement. The PPDA is expected, as per its stated mission, to facilitate the socio-economic provision of goods and services such as roads, schools, and hospitals for national development.

As we may all be aware, public procure-

ment is very significant in realizing our national development aspirations. This is because, every year, up to 60% of our national budget is spent through public procurement processes. Therefore, public procurement and disposal processes are very vital, not just for the contractors and the government agencies, but also for the general public who get involved across the value chain. An ordinary Ugandan who is not necessarily involved in bidding for government contracts, should, and must, be interested in public procurement because it is about service delivery. Effective and efficient public procurement and disposal processes automatically translate into effective and efficient service delivery.

The PPDA has thus developed this Clients' Charter to provide a

framework for defining our service delivery standards in order to improve the public procurement and disposal systems in Uganda. The objectives of this charter are:

- To inform our clients and stakeholders of the services offered by the PPDA;
- To create awareness to our stakeholders on their rights and obligations; and
- To provide an accountability framework for the PPDA to its stakeholders.
- It will also act as a tool for monitoring and evaluating performance
- It will also help the PPDA to fulfill its mandate and identify and address gaps in the service delivery with a view of providing satisfactory service to all our stakeholders.

I wish to thank all our internal and external stakeholders, especially the Corporate and Public Affairs unit, Management of the Authority and the Board of Directors who participated in the development of this Charter.

I call upon all our staff to sustain commitments herein as we soldier on, to meet the commitments of the Authority's Strategic Plan 2020/21 - 2024/25.

Benson Turamye
Executive Director, PPDA



PPDA CLIENTS' CHARTER

This Charter outlines our commitment to provide quality services to all our stakeholders. It provides information on what we do and the standards of service you can expect from us.

This Charter is essentially about PPDA's relationship with its stakeholders in ensuring that:

- a) A customer focus is created and maintained.
- b) Effective communication exists between PPDA staff and all stakeholders.
- c) A level of service above certain pre-set limits is maintained.
- d) The range of products and service delivery is appropriate for stakeholders' needs.



A Dynamic Facilitator
of the Public
Procurement and
Asset Disposal System
for Sustainable
National
Development.



To Promote
Service Delivery
Through Effective
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Public Procurement
and Disposal
System.



Procurement that Delivers





Competence and good behaviour can be expected from all our personnel



INTEGRITY

We will convey a zero tolerance to corruption in our dealings and conform to the PPDA Act.



TEAM WORK

We are highly committed to achieving team success. Our commitment reinforces our teamwork



INNOVATION

We will implement new ideas and create value for stakeholders to meet the requirements of emerging trends in the public procurement and disposal field.



VALUE

We, at all times, will aim at prioritizing the needs of our clients for utmost satisfaction

Who are Our Clients?

- The Providers, at times known as Suppliers, Contractors or Service Providers
- The Procuring and disposing entities (PDEs) or Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, (MDAs).
- The Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)
- · The General Public

1.0. PPDA EXTERNAL CLIENT CHARTER

Services		Response Time	Costs (UGX)
Executive Director's Office (Stakeholder Inquiries)			
Phone calls		Instant	¹ Free
Walk-ins with appointments		Instant	Free
Walk-ins without appointments		30 minutes	Free
Responding to E-mails		1 day	Free
 Responding to Letters (hard copy) 		7 days	Free
Responding to Social media (including week)	ekend)	24 hours	Free
 Performance Monitoring (Regional Capacity Building 	and Central)		
Conducting Demand Driven Trainings		Per Day	550,000/=
 Conduct Supply Driven Trainings 		N/A	Free
Maintaining a list and average prices for c	ommon user items	quarterly	Free
 Carrying out training needs assessment 		Bi-annual	Free
 Legal and Board Affairs 			
 Handling of suspension requests 		21Days	Free
 Request for Deviations in SBDs 		10 Days	Free
Accreditation		21 days	Free
Advisory requests		5 days	Free
Performance Monitoring (Regional	and Central)		
Conducting Procurement Audits (field wo	rk)	15Days	Free
Issuance of Audit report after exit meeting	Issuance of Audit report after exit meetings		Free
Issuance of Management letter after field v	work	7 Days	Free
 Carrying out procurement investigations 		21 days	Free
Conduct Compliance Checks		5 days	Free
 Conduct Inspections in HSEs 		5 days	Free
Carrying out procurement investigations		30-50 days	Free
Publishing annual procurement audit report	rts	30 th October	Free
Publishing performance monitoring reports		Quarterly before 15 th day in new Quarter	Free
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 Strategy and Planning e-GP Registration and issuance of 	Goods	5 Days	150,000
e-GP Registration and issuance of certificate	Works	5 Days	187,500
cermeate	Services	5 Days	150,000
Renewal on the ROP/e-GP	Goods	5 Days	50,000
- Renewal on the RO1/e-O1	Works	5 Days	50,000
	Services	5 Days	50,000
Services		5 Days	50,000

 $^{^{\}rm 1}\,\mathrm{Free}$ implies that the activity will be undertaken within the Authority work plan and budget

Publication of Annual Performance Report	30 th September	Free
Disseminating information on current trends in Public	Quarterly	Free
Procurement, guidelines, laws and regulations.		
Responses to library access	2 days	Free
Conducting Customer Satisfaction Survey-staff survey	Annually	Free
Conduct Integrity Survey	Once in two	Free
	years	
Finance		
Payment of providers	Within 30 days	Free
	of satisfactory	
	performance	
	and receipt of	
	invoice	
Human Resource & Administration		
Filling vacant positions externally	2.5 months	Free

1.1 REQUIREMENT FROM CLIENT

It is essential that the client provides the required and clear information to help us provide high quality service:

- 1.1.1 Formal request to the Executive Director on specific required service/information.
- 1.1.2 Detailed information required for us to generate feedback
- 1.1.3 Relevant Complaints /Compliments and Suggestions

2.0. PPDA INTERNAL CLIENT CHARTER

Services		Response Time
a)	Finance	
i.	Financial reports to Management	Weekly
ii.	Leave approval	2 days
iii.	Advance notice for internal meetings	3 days
iv.	Annual budget (Budget Framework Paper)	15 th December
v.	Quarterly projections	First week of quarter
vi.	Processing BT claims	3 days
vii.	Payment of salary	25 th day of month
viii.	Quarterly financial performance report	15 days from the end of quarter.
ix.	Financial Half year report	By 31st January
X.	Annual Financial Report	31stJuly
xi.	Payment of statutory returns	By 15 th of every month.
xii.	Payment of gratuity	30 days after end of contract
xiii.	Procurement (micro) process (internal)	10 days from date of approval of requisition
xiv.	Accountable Advance	7days after implementation

XV	. Staff Appraisals	Within one month of end financial of year	
XVi		Last month of each quarter	
XVII		7- days after end of the quarter	
AVII	Reports	7- days after end of the quarter	
xviii	•	15 days after end of the FY	
	b) Performance monitoring (Regional &		
	Central)		
a)	Individual Activity reports	5days after implementation	
b)	Leave approval	2 days	
c)	Advance notice for internal meetings	3 days	
	Issuance of Topical Research reports	Quarterly	
e)	Submission of Department Quarterly Reports	7 days after end of the quarter	
f)	Departmental Annual Reports	15 days after end of the FY	
	c) Legal and Board Affairs		
	Departmental Status reports	Weekly	
	Individual Activity reports	5 days after implementation	
c)	Leave approval	2 days	
	Advance notice for internal meetings	3 days	
	Notice to staff to appear as witnesses in court	2 days	
	Review of contracts	3 days	
	Response to court notices	2 days	
	Communication of Board decisions	2 days after Board meeting	
i)	Issuance of investigations Report	5 days after the investigations	
j)	Submission of Department Quarterly Reports	7 days to end of the quarter	
k)	Departmental Annual Reports	15 days after end of the FY	
	d) Strategy And Planning		
•	Annual budget (Ministerial Policy Statement)	By 1 st March	
•	Leave approval	2 days	
•	Advance notice for internal meetings	3 days	
•	Response on IT issues	Immediate	
•	Submission of quarterly reports	20 days after end of the quarter	
•	Departmental progress report	7 days after end of quarter	
•	Publishing Annual performance report	By 30 th October	
	e) Human Resource & Administration		
•	Filling vacant positions	1 month	
•	Induction of staff	Within I month after assumption of duty	
•	Confirmation of staff	Within I month after end of probation	
•	Issue of letter of renewal of contract	7 days after the decision	
•	Processing of staff gratuity	Within one month after anniversary of	
	5 5 7	appointment	
•	Processing of staff long Service awards	Within one 1 month after anniversary	
•	Handling of disciplinary cases	45 working days	
•	Processing of termination benefits	Within 30 days	

Verification of payroll for payment of salary	2 days after receipt of payroll from Finance
 Completion of annual Staff Appraisal 	30 days after end of financial year
General Staff meetings	Last week of each quarter
Servicing of vehicles	2 weeks after raising Form 5
Repair of vehicles	4 days after receipt of Local Purchase Order
Fuelling vehicles	Weekly
 Allocation of vehicles for authority activities 	10 minutes after request
Insuring of vehicles (Comprehensive Insurance)	2 days before expiry
Report on Fleet status	Last working day of the month
Report on Generator status	Weekly
Report on utility (electricity and water) usage	Monthly
Servicing of office ACs	Every 6 months
Servicing of Elevators	Monthly
Cleaning the exterior of PPDA-URF Towers	Weekly
Generating a Disposal Form 28	3 weeks after board of survey
Stock taking & Asset Verification	By last working day of June
Engraving of assets	Within one month after delivery of asset

3.0 Feedback and Complaints

We, at the PPDA, operate an open door policy and welcome constructive criticism and feedback about our services. We also welcome suggestions on how we can improve service delivery. We commit ourselves to taking your complaints and suggestions seriously and to dealing with them as quickly as possible. If you have a problem, suggestion or a complaint, you can use the following communication channels:

- 3.1 Speak to the person who has been attending to you
- 3.2 Speak to that persons' supervisor
- 3.3 Speak to our Manager Corporate and Public Affairs Tel: +256 414 311128
- 3.4 Write to us using the address given at the end of this document Our offices are open from 8.00 a.m.-12.45 p.m. and from 2.00 p.m-5.00 p.m. on week days except on public holidays.

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