

## **ABOUT PPDA**

The Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Act 1 of 2003 set up the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Authority (PPDA) as the principal regulatory body for public procurement and disposal.

All Government departments and agencies are obliged to follow the public procurement law. The law emphasizes best practices including procurement and disposal principles, rules, administrative review systems, codes of conduct, as well as suspension of providers for offenses and disciplinary measures against public officers who commit malpractices.

The law is also complimented by Regulations, Guidelines, Forms and Standard Bidding Documentation. These serve to assist the procuring and disposing entities and providers of services, supplies and works in carrying out procurement and disposal processes.

### **What is the role of PPDA?**

The Act set up the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Authority (PPDA) in 2003 to:

- Ensure the application of fair, competitive, transparent, non-discriminatory and value for money procurement and disposal standards and practices
- Harmonize the procurement and disposal policy systems and practices of Central Government, Local Governments and Statutory bodies
- Set standards for the public procurement and disposal systems in Uganda
- Monitor compliance of procuring and disposing entities
- Build procurement and disposal capacity in Uganda.

### **Vision Statement**

A world-class procurement and disposal system that is transparent, accountable and efficient.

### **Mission Statement**

To regulate and facilitate public procurement in Uganda by setting standards, building capacity and monitoring compliance and ultimately contribute to socio-economic development.

### **What PPDA DOES NOT DO**

1. PPDA does NOT give out any tenders or contracts. Tenders and contracts are awarded by the respective entities.
2. PPDA is not involved in the procurement process of any public entity. The Authority only gives an expert opinion when the parties involved request for guidance in accordance with the law.
3. PPDA does NOT and CANNOT influence the outcome of a procurement or disposal process. The different contracts committees at the respective Government entity decide on who the winning bidder is based on the procurement process and the law.
4. PPDA no longer grants waivers, rather the respective entities are expected to plan effectively.

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