

## **45 Officers from All 10 Administrative Regions of Guyana's Police Force Benefit from Procurement Training by the Public Procurement Commission**



**\*\*Georgetown, Guyana – September 13, 2024\*\*** – The Public Procurement Commission held a two-day training programme on September 12-13, 2024, which brought together 45 police officers. Members of the Guyana Police Force (GPF) included representatives from Finance, Administration, Procurement, Marine, Office Mess, Criminal Investigation, and officers from all ten administrative regions of Guyana. This initiative emphasizes the national importance of enhancing public procurement practices and aims to bolster the efficiency and integrity of procurement operations.

The Procurement Training Programme was held at the Officer's Training Centre, Eve Leary, with Superintendent Bharat Persaud of the Guyana Police Force and Mr. Dwight Dodson, Head of Operations at the Public Procurement Commission (PPC), presiding over the opening of the training. Also in attendance were Assistant Commissioner Khali Paresram, Head of the Guyana Police Force's Strategic Planning Unit; Senior Superintendent Himnauth Sawh, Head of the Transport Workshop; and other personnel from the PPC.

During the opening remarks, Superintendent Persaud highlighted that the training programme is designed for members of the Guyana Police Force stationed across various Regional Divisions with responsibility for procurement while Mr. Dwight Dodson highlighted the importance of getting acquainted with the procurement process and related laws in order to improve the system and build capacity simultaneously.



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The training was tailored to equip participants with the skills and knowledge essential for navigating and improving procurement processes, while ensuring that they are better prepared to execute their duties effectively. This initiative not only enhances institutional capacity but also contributes to fostering accountability and transparency across government agencies, especially the Guyana Police Force.

The training sessions were conducted by a team of distinguished professionals from the PPC, including Mr. Dwight Dodson (Head of Operations), Ms. Esther Osborne (Attorney-at-Law), Mr. Antonio Yhan (Training Officer), Mr. Prakash Sookdeo (Procurement Specialist), Mr. Savion Paddy (Civil Engineer), and Mr. Davindra Singh (Procurement Specialist). The programme covered a wide range of essential topics, such as:

1. Public Procurement Legislative Framework, Administrative Review, and Debarment
2. Best Practices in Public Procurement
3. Fundamentals of Public Procurement
4. The Procurement Cycle
5. Procurement Process and Methods
6. Strategic Procurement Planning
7. Procurement Plan Development
8. Thresholds, Tender Boards, and Tender Openings
9. Tender Evaluation and Contract Award
10. Contract Management
11. Monitoring and Reporting in Procurement

This initiative reflects the PPC's ongoing commitment to fulfilling its constitutional mandate, as outlined in Article 212AA (1) (b) of the Constitution of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana. The Commission is dedicated to promoting awareness of procurement rules, procedures, and special requirements among suppliers, contractors, and public bodies. Furthermore, Section 17(2)(c) of the Procurement Act, Cap. 73:05, empowers the PPC to organize training seminars on public procurement.

The PPC remains steadfast in promoting transparency, accountability, and efficiency in the procurement of goods, services, and works across the public sector. Through these training



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programs, the Commission aims to strengthen procurement practices and contribute to the sustainable development of Guyana.

For more information or to schedule a training session, please contact the PPC at (592) 226-3729, (592) 231-7306, or (592) 226-2364, or via email at [operations@ppc.org.gy](mailto:operations@ppc.org.gy).

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