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Public Procurement Commission Holds 3-Day Training Program for Public Officers



The Public Procurement Commission (PPC) ('the commission') successfully conducted a three-day training program from October 28 to 30, 2024, in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Service (MOPS).

This initiative brought together 29 public officers representing 18 public procuring entities. The participating entities encompass a broad range of essential institutions in Guyana, including various government ministries, administrative bodies, and agencies. The participating entities included the Ministry of Health, Guyana Post Office, Ministry of Housing, Cheddi Jagan International Airport, Deeds and Commercial Registry, Regional Democratic Council, Office of the President, Mayor and City Council, Guyana Civil Aviation Authority, National Parks Commission, Guyana Revenue Authority, Guyana Elections Commission, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Home Affairs, Guyana School of Agriculture, Ministry of Natural Resources, National Data Management Authority, and Local Government Commission.

This initiative highlights the national importance of enhancing public procurement practices, aimed at bolstering the efficiency and integrity of procurement operations across government agencies.

The training, tailored specifically for public officers executing procurement procedures, provided participants with essential skills and knowledge to effectively navigate and improve procurement processes, thereby enhancing institutional capacity and promoting accountability and transparency. The PPC, in accordance with its constitutional and statutory duty is committed to ensuring that participants are well-prepared to uphold the highest standards of procurement practices.

Facilitated by a distinguished team from the PPC—including Ms. Esther Osborne (Attorney-at-Law), Mr. Antonio Yhan (Training Officer), Mr. Savion Paddy (Civil Engineer), and Mr. Davindra Singh (Procurement Specialist)—the training covered a comprehensive curriculum below:

1. Legislative Framework
2. Best Practices in Public Procurement
3. The Procurement Cycle
4. Tender Evaluation
5. Contract Management
6. 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 actively promotes awareness of procurement rules, procedures, and special requirements among suppliers, contractors, and public bodies. Moreover, Section 17(2)(c) of the Procurement Act, Cap. 73:05, empowers the PPC to organize training seminars to enhance public procurement knowledge.

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

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