

## **Public Procurement Commission**

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## **PPC and NPTAB Collaborate to Strengthen Procurement Processes**



Members of the Public Procurement Commission (PPC) and the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board (NPTAB)

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Georgetown, Guyana – March 26, 2025: In a strategic move to enhance the public procurement process, the Public Procurement Commission (PPC) ('the Commission') hosted a pivotal meeting with the National Procurement and Tender Administration Board (NPTAB) at the Commission's office located at New Garden Street, Queenstown, Georgetown.

Representing the PPC were Chairman Ms. Pauline Chase, Commissioner Mr. Rajnarine Singh (in person), Commissioner Mr. Joel Bhagwandin (virtually), and Chief Executive Officer Mr. Michael Singh. The NPTAB delegation included Chairman Dr. Tarachand Balgobin, Board Members Mr. Bernard Lord, Mr. Desmond Mohammed and Senior Procurement officer Ms. Amrita Latchman, along with Chief Executive Officer Mr. Arvind Parag. The Finance Secretary of the Ministry of Finance, Mr. Sukrishnalall Pasha, also participated virtually.



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This high-level engagement facilitated an in-depth discussion on key issues impacting public procurement. In alignment with Act 212CC (1) of the Constitution of The Co-operative Republic of Guyana and enabled by S.17 (2)(d) of the Procurement Act, Cap. 73:05, the PPC is required to report to the Minister of Finance on the effectiveness of the procurement processes and recommend therein any amendments to the said Act which may be necessary to improve the effectiveness of the procurement process.

Chaired by PPC Chairman Ms. Pauline Chase, the meeting focused on the following agenda items:

- 1. **Standard Bidding Documents**
- 2. Standard Evaluation Report
- 3. **Training of Evaluators**
- 4. Update on E-Procurement
- 5. Review of 2004 Procurement Documents
- 6. NPTAB operations.

These discussions followed prior engagements of the parties and are part of a broader initiative to strengthen procurement systems, ensuring greater accountability and improved service delivery. The collaboration between the Public Procurement Commission and the NPTAB along with the Finance Secretary reinforces a commitment to advancing knowledge, fostering transparency, and strengthening procurement practices in Guyana. As the PPC continues its efforts to fulfill its constitutional mandate, it encourages stakeholders and engagement from relevant entities to collectively enhance the landscape of public procurement in the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

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## Promoting Fairness, Transparency and Efficiency in the Public Procurement Process

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