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<u>Press Communique</u> e-Procurement System: Sensitisation of Suppliers

As announced in the Budget Speech 2020/2021, the e-Procurement System is mandatory for public sector bodies as from 1st July 2020.

- 2. The e-Procurement System (e-PS) hosted at the https://eproc.publicprocurement.govmu.org address is a web based application that allows Public Bodies to issue Invitation for Bids (IFB) and for suppliers to submit bids online. It has been operational since 2015.
- 3. Accordingly, prospective bidders are requested to register on the e-Procurement System as **registration is mandatory** in order for suppliers to bid online.
- 4. You may wish to refer to the manual and video available on the "How to" menu of the e-PS website for information about registration.
- 5. Furthermore, it is **mandatory for bidders** to use a Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) for encryption /decryption of their bid data and for digital signing of bids. The DSC for the e-Procurement Class can be purchased from the Certification Authority eMudhra by making on online application on its website https://www.emudhra.mu. The Mauritius Post Ltd is acting as the Registration Authority for the issuance of Digital Signature Certificate in Mauritius.
- 6. In order to initiate suppliers on e-PS, the Procurement Policy Office organizes regular training sessions on the e-Procurement System. These training sessions are usually held in Port Louis over 2 half days and include a theoretical /demonstration component on the first day followed by a practical session on the second day.
- 7. The Procurement Policy Office also provides support to the users of e-PS through its dedicated Help Desk operating during business hours. Bidders/Suppliers may contact the Help Desk for assistance or for any request for training, on phone number (+230) 201 1530 or email eprocdesk@govmu.org.

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