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REQUIREMENT FOR THE COMPLETION OF FINAL DESIGNS BEFORE CONTRACT AWARDS FOR REHABILITATION/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS TO OBFIAIRE REQUESTS FOR VARIATION OF COSTS

In order to obviate requests for the revision of contract sums for many on-going projects due to the fact that most of them were awarded based on Preliminary Engineering Designs, Mr. President has approved that henceforth all Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) should complete the Final Designs before the award of new contracts for Rehabilitation/Construction of projects. The completion of Final Designs before award will significantly remove the revision of costs attributed to inadequate quantities in the Bill Provisions and consequently reduce the incidence and extent of variation to the barest minimum.

2. Accordingly, the Accounting Officers of Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) are henceforth to ensure that Final Designs of projects are completed before the award of new Rehabilitation/Construction contracts.
3. The implementation of this Circular is with immediate effect, and all Accounting Officers are required to ensure strict compliance with the 2007 Public Procurement Act in all its aspects.

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