

BUREAU OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

Press Release

<u>VALUES OF TRANSPAPRENCY IS OUR WATCH WORD TO FIGHT</u> <u>AGAINST CORRUPTION – DG, BPP</u>

The Director General, Bureau of Public Procurement (DG, BPP) Mamman Ahmadu, FNIQS, had reiterated his admonition that "Values of Transparency and quality have since been our watch word in biddings for contract awards". Adding that, the process have helped in the fight against corruption and for openness in government.

The DG pointed this out during the Stakeholders meeting on e-GP System Requirement Specifications (SRS) review, which took place at the Reiz Continental Hotel, CBD, Abuja, on Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th August 2021.

He said the aim of the meeting is to enhance the SRS document, which the vendor have forwarded, so that the electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) System will be perfected. Stressing that, the Public Procurement Act, 2007 has been a turning point in the mechanisms for regulating public contracting and expenditure process.

He urged stakeholders to put on their thinking cap, discuss issues and come out with strong resolutions that will enhance the e-GP, SRS designed to strengthen Procurement process.

The representative of the World Bank, Chief Bayo Awosemusi, in his goodwill message said, the meeting should look at the things delaying procurement and the elements people are complaining about. He said 'the electronic system needs to be fed to generate reports, decisions and data in a way that will guarantee economic improvement in Nigeria'.

The programme has 8 pilot procuring entities comprising of the federal ministries of Health, Works and Housing, Transport, Water Resources, Education, Agriculture, Nigeria National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) and the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN).

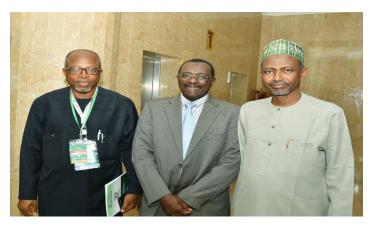
Procurement Officers from the 8 pilot ministries, Civil Society groups, Professional Associations, ICT Providers, Contractors, Consultants and service providers were at the 3-day Stakeholders meeting which was declared opened by the DG, BPP.



Middle; Director-General, BPP, Mamman Ahmadu, FNIQS 3RD Right World Bank Procurement Specialist, Chief Bayo Awosemusi, 3rd Left and other Bureau of Public Procurement Directors at the Stakeholders Meeting on e-GP Requirements Specifications (SRS) Document Review in Abuja.



Director-General, BPP, Mamman Ahmadu, FNIQS 2nd left; World Bank Procurement Specialist, Chief Bayo Awosemusi 2nd Right; Director, Special Procurement, BPP, Engr. Eze J. Obasi 1st Right and Head, Agric & Water Resources, BPP, Engr. Isaiah Yesufu 1st Left at the Stakeholders Meeting on e-GP Requirements Specifications (SRS) Document Review in Abuja.



L-r: Former DG,BPP, Engr. Emeka M. Ezeh, FNSE,OFR; Director Database/ICT, BPP, Mr. Aliyu E. Aliyu and the Executive Vice President, World Federation of Engineering Organization, Engr. Mustafa Balarabe Shehu at the Stakeholders meeting on e-GP System Requirement Specifications (SRS) Documents Revision.

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