

AGPO SENSITIZATION PUBLICATION

The aim of the AGPO program is to facilitate the enterprises owned by women, youth and persons with disabilities to be able to participate in Government opportunities. This has been made possible through the implementation of the legal requirement that 30% of Government procurement opportunities be set aside specifically for enterprises owned by these groups. As a result, the program is aimed at empowering them by giving them more opportunities to do business with Government.

Most commonly asked questions and answers about AGPO

What is procurement?

Procurement refers to the various processes or procedures that are utilized in the acquisition of goods, services or works, by various institutions, governments and organizations.

What is a government tender?

It is a formal invitation by the government to suppliers and/or contractors for the supply of goods, services and works.

What is the aim of the Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO) Program?

The aim of the AGPO Program is to facilitate the enterprises owned by youth, women and persons with disability to be able to participate in government procurement. This will be made possible through the implementation of the Presidential Directive that 30% of government for the youth, women and persons with disability. It is affirmative action aimed at empowering disadvantaged groups by giving them more opportunities to do business with Government.

What is a disadvantaged group-owned enterprise?

It refers to a legally registered business in the form of a sole-proprietorship, partnership or registered company. For both the partnership and the registered company, the ownership in form of capital invested or shares owned should be at-least 70% for the disadvantaged group.

Which documents and from where, does an individual need to set-up a legally recognized business?

Business Registration Certificate or Certificate of Incorporation from the AG's office (Registrar of Business Names), PIN /VAT, Tax Compliance Certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority.

What documents do I attach to prove that disadvantaged group ownership in a partnership business or registered company is more than 70%?

For a partnership business the Partnership Deed together with copies of the National I.Ds of the partners should be attached. For a registered company the CR12 should be attached together with the copies of the National I.Ds of the directors.

What are the benefits of trading with AGPO certificates?

1. Waiver of tender securities
2. Unbundling of procurement
3. 30% govt procurement
4. Budgetary reservation
5. Facilitation of funding
6. Prompt payments.

Which opportunities exists at Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration for the AGPO

NCIA has set aside 30% of its annual procurement for AGPO groups only. This includes procurement of stationery, air tickets, airtime, mineral water and services like cleaning designing and printing.

How do I register as an AGPO supplier at NCIA

To be qualify for registration as a supplier under AGPO at NCIA, a candidate shall provide evidence of eligibility by satisfying the following criteria:

- a) The candidate has the legal capacity to enter into a contract for procurement or asset disposal;
- b) The candidate is not insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt or in the process of being wound up;
- c) The procuring entity is not precluded from entering into the contract with the candidate under section 38 of PPADA,2015;
- d) The candidate has fulfilled tax obligations;
- e) The candidate has not been convicted of corrupt or fraudulent practices;
- f) The candidate is not guilty of any serious violation of fair employment laws and practices and
- g) The candidate has a valid AGPO registration certificate from The National Treasury.

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