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From: Director, Procurement Policy Office

To : Heads of Public Bodies

Amendments to Public Procurement (Regulations 2008):
Independent Review Panel (IRP)

1. Public Bodies are hereby informed that Regulations 55(1) and 57A concerning IRP proceedings have been amended.
2. Regulation 55(1) provides that the Public body shall, not later than 7 days from the date of receipt of the copy of the application, particulars, statement of case and witness statement, forward its reply and comments thereon to the Review Panel, with copy to the applicant.
3. Pursuant to section 45 of the Public Procurement Act, the public body shall proceed with the award of the contract where IRP does not determine the application for review **within 30 days of the date of the application** as prescribed by Regulation 57A.
4. The updated Public Procurement (Regulations 2008) may be consulted and downloaded from the website of this Office at: ppo.govmu.org.
5. You are kindly requested to disseminate the content of this Circular to all those concerned within your organisation.

Procurement Policy Office

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Amendments to the Public Procurement Regulations 2008

(a) Regulation 55. Reply and comments on application for review by Independent Review panel

(Amended Paragraph (1) as per GN. No 198 of 2015) (Revoked and replaced as per G.N. No.75 of 2013)

(1) For the purpose of section 45(2B)(b) of the Act, the Public body shall, not later than 7 days from the date of receipt of the copy of the application, particulars, statement of case and witness statement, forward its reply and comments thereon to the Review Panel, with copy to the applicant.

(2) On receipt of the copy of the reply and comments referred to in paragraph (1), the applicant may, within 7 days of the date of receipt, submit his reply and comments thereon to the Review Panel, with copy to the public body.

(b) 57A. Decision of Review Panel

(Amended paragraph as per GN. 217 of 2015) (Amended as per G.N No. 198 of 2015) (Inserted as per G.N. No.75 of 2013)

(1) For the Purposes of section 45(8)(a) of the Act, the period shall, in respect of an application made-

(a) From 15 August 2015 to 31 October 2015, be not later than 30 November 2015;

(b) On or after 1 November 2015, be within 30 days of the date of the application.

(2) For the purposes of section 45(8)(b) of the Act, the period in respect of an application made before 15 August 2015 shall be not later than 30 November 2015.