

## **RESPONSE TO IVA ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[1]-(b) & (c)**

The reason why there is difference of ₦24,509,182,858.11 between contracts published online and actual capital expenditure for 2021 includes:

- i. Some of the payments are for contracts awarded before 2021 while the schedule of contracts published for 2021 are for the contracts awarded in 2021.
- ii. Some of the capital expenditures executed in 2021 were by direct labour from the State Ministry of Works and such capital expenditures were not awarded to third parties (contractors)

Therefore, the contracts published for 2021 are the complete contracts awarded in 2021 fiscal year.

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[1] (d).**

Contract awards for all four pilot MDAs and other high spending ministries (including Ministry of Health and Education) were published in the 2021 Contract award publication.

Kindly find the attached PDF file downloaded from the Enugu e-GP which shows all 2021 contract award publication including Ministry of Health and Education.

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[2] (a) & (e).**

According to Enugu State Law, procurement process starts from budgeting, to procurement planning, to tendering, to evaluation, then award.

These steps and processes usually require different levels of approvals which is dependent on availability of funds to finance the projects.

For 2022, the four pilot MDAs (Health, Education, Works, Water Resources), started their procurement processes in March 2022, by the publication of e-Procurement plans through the Enugu E-Procurement System.

Hence, transactions started by March 2022, while e-Tendering and awards were done in June 2022.

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[2] (c) & (e).**

The Accountant General's report obtained for January 1 to June 30, 2022 did not show transactions for the awards through the e-Procurement system because; payments for the e-GP awards have not been made as at 30th June 2022.

All payments reflected on the Accountant General's report are payment for awards for previous years before 2022.

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[2] (f).**

All transactions done in June 2022 started in March 2022 through publication of e-Procurement plan in March 2022.

### **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[2] (h) & (i).**

in 2022, the four pilot MDAs conducted all their procurement activities through the e-Procurement system, starting with publication of procurement plans in March 2022.

Any transaction done outside the e-Procurement system was through direct labour (in which a third-party contractor is not engaged, the MDA/procuring entity is responsible for the execution of the project directly using funds approved.)

### ***The e-publishing/tender notification module is fully functional on the Enugu e-GP.***

For published tenders, users can access detailed specifications on the actual works, goods and services by clicking the tender title. After clicking, it takes them to another web page where they will see full tender details and specifications in the new web page.

**Tender documents** such as Bill of Quantities, Drawings, etc, are available in the dashboard of registered contractors after they have paid for tender fees for that particular tender.

The tender notice/PDF publication is optional, because it reflects the same information available on the tender details web page when you click the tender title of any interested tender.

## **Response to DLIs and Test Findings, 6.2 –[2] (j) & (k).**

The four pilot MDAs utilized the five e-Procurement modules as follow;

1. E-Registration of MDAs & E-Registration of Contractors/Supplier/Consultants.
2. E-Procurement Planning- procurement plans were published in March 2022 for 4 pilot MDAs.
- 3i. E-Notification - MDAs get notifications on their dashboards, Contractors/Supplier/Consultants get email and dashboard notifications.
- 3ii. E-Publishing - Procurement plan, Tender Adverts & details, Award notices are published on the system.
4. E-Tendering - All tendering processes from advert, tender fees payment to bid submission are done through the system.
5. E-Evaluation & Award - Tender evaluation was done electronically on the system and award was done through the system

## **RESPONSE TO IVA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In response to your email to provide feedback to the Enugu State final report on the 2021 APA DLI 6.2.

We noticed the IVA made two remarks as regards DLI 6.2 which are;

1. Incomplete contract award information online.
2. The state did not implement e-procurement in at least 4 MDAs by the due date.

### **RESPONSE TO EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REMARK 1**

All contracts awarded by the four pilot MDAs through the e-Procurement System are automatically published on the e-GP and OCDS Portal, also contracts awarded by non-pilot MDAs are also published on the OCDS Portal. ***(Find attached screenshot file of awards published on the system before 30th June 2022)***

## **RESPONSE TO EXECUTIVE SUMMARY REMARK 2**

The Enugu State E-Procurement System went live in October 2021. ***(Find attached screenshot file from Admin dashboard as evidence, contact NGF for 2021 post go-live zoom meeting recording for further evidence).***

The four pilot MDAs registered are on the e-GP system;

- i. Ministry of Health,
- ii. Ministry of Education,
- iii. Ministry of Works and
- iv. Ministry of Water Resources.

**To provide proof that Enugu state implemented e-Procurement in the four pilot MDAs listed above are;**

- a.) The Enugu e-Procurement System was used to publish the procurement plans for the four pilot MDAs in March 2022, the NGF was notified and they can confirm this.
- b.) The Enugu e-Procurement System was used for all procurement processes for the four pilot MDAs between June to 28th July 2022. ***(Find attached files of virtual bid opening recording as evidence. NGF was also notified).***

**c.) Enugu State adopted all e-Procurement five modules in the procurement processes. Which are;**

1. E-Registration of MDAs & E-Registration of Contractors/Supplier/Consultants.
2. E-Procurement Planning- *procurement plans were published in March 2022 for 4 pilot MDAs.*
- 3i. E-Notification - *MDAs get notifications on their dashboards, Contractors/Supplier/Consultants get email and dashboard notifications.*
- 3ii. E-Publishing - *Procurement plan, Tender Adverts, Award notices are published on the system.*
4. E-Tendering - *All tendering processes from advert, tender fees payment to bid submission are done through the system.*
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