

PROCUREMENT POLICY OFFICE

Directive No 20 (issued pursuant to section 7 of the Public Procurement Act)

Margin of Preference for Rodrigues in respect of procurement for contract values up to Rs 5 million

1. The object of the Margin of Preference for Rodrigues is to further develop the private sector in Rodrigues and create employment for Rodriguans through public procurement.
2. The Margin of Preference shall be a price preference of 15% during bid evaluation stage, subject to the conditions set out in paragraph 3, in respect of procurement of a contract value not exceeding Rs 5 million conducted by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly including its Commissions.
3. Bidders wishing to benefit from the Margin of Preference shall be subject to the following conditions –

(a) **In respect of procurement of works and other services**

A bidder shall be eligible for a price preference of 15% during bid evaluation stage subject to the following conditions –

- (i) he is already registered under the Business Registration Act in Rodrigues at the time of submission of bids;
- (ii) he possesses a valid trade licence issued by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly; and
- (iii) he undertakes to employ workers domiciled in Rodrigues for 80% or more of the total man-days that would be deployed for the execution of a works or services contract.

In the case of a joint venture, the requirement regarding the percentage of man-days for workers domiciled in Rodrigues should likewise be observed. Each member of the joint venture should satisfy the conditions set out in paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii).

(b) **In respect of procurement of goods wholly or partially manufactured in Rodrigues**

A bidder shall be eligible for a price preference of 15% during bid evaluation stage subject to the following conditions –

- (i) he is already registered under the Business Registration Act in Rodrigues at the time of submission of bids; and
- (ii) he possesses a valid trade licence issued by the Rodrigues Regional Assembly.

4. This Directive shall come into operation on 1st April 2015.



Note: When undertaking a procurement exercise, please make sure you are using the latest version of the appropriate Standard Bidding Document available on the website of the Procurement Policy Office (ppo.govmu.org). You may also consult on the site the updated version of the Public Procurement Act and the Regulations made thereunder, as well as circulars issued by the Office.