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ICBPP Background

The Public Procurement Policy Division (PPPD) supported by the Ministry of Finance (MoF) are the implementation Agency

The Royal Institute of Management (RIM), Royal University of Bhutan (RUB) and Royal Civil Service Commission (RCSC) are counterpart institutions and beneficiaries of the project

The Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply (CIPS) have been selected to assist in the implementation of this project. CIPS are providing a full time in country Project Director supported by short term inputs from CIPS UK.

A Project Monitoring and Evaluation Committee (PMEC) consisting of PPPD, RCSC, RIM, RUB and CIPS will be responsible for Monitoring the Project deliverables

In addition to building capacity in public procurement the project aims to introduce a sustainable internationally recognized qualification for procurement to be delivered by RIM and other Institutes

The World Bank (WB) are providing the funding for the ICBPP through a WB Investment Project (Grant)

The 3 main objectives of ICBPP are to:

- Establish and embed procurement benchmarks and standards which are based on international best practice
- Establish and professionalize a procurement community through a national people development strategy
- Strengthen and support the wider roll out of procurement practices, in order to create

ICBPP commenced on 15 June 2009 for a period of approximately 2 years.

Public Procurement Policy Division (PPPD) welcome Leki Tshering

Following the transfer of Chuni Dorji at the turn of the year PPPD have been looking to replace her with a new P5 Procurement Programme Officer (PPO).

PPPD are therefore pleased to welcome Mr. Leki Tshering who joined the division on 8th April 2010.



Leki Tshering new PPO to PPPD

Leki joins PPPD from the Tsirang Dzongkhag Administration where he served for 3 years and 3 months as an Assistant Accounts Officer and a member of the Dzongkhag Level Tender Committee as well as being the focal

contact for audit related issues for Tsirang Dzongkhag.

Leki graduated from Sherubtse College at Trashigang, Bhutan in 2004 with a Bachelor of Commerce Honors Degree - B.Com (hons.).

After successfully completing his Civil Service entry examinations Leki then attended the Royal Institute in Management for one year to complete the Post Graduate Diploma in Financial Management (PGDFM) in 2006.

As part of his development in PPPD Leki will return to RIM in June to attend the recently developed Compliance in Procurement Certificate (CPC) - an eight day course that precedes a 2 hour examination on day 9.

Subject to his satisfactory completion of the CPC Leki will study for the CIPS Foundation Diploma (Level 4 of CIPS) along side other 'P' grade procurement colleagues at RIM, on a block study basis, through October in preparation for the five November examinations.

If he is successful it is planned for Leki and others to complete Levels 5 and 6 (the full graduate diploma which provides full membership of CIPS—MCIPS) by the end of 2011 again studying at RIM.

Forthcoming events and activities under ICBPP

A presentation will be delivered to the Royal Civil Service Commission on 6th May 2010. The purpose of the presentation is to seek RCSC approval for the introduction of professional procurement qualifications into the public service curriculum. This would in effect benchmark levels of the CIPS qualification to existing procurement grades.

An approach to the qualification, including the CPC as part of a 'context first approach', will also be presented for pre service and in service personnel.

A procurement competency framework, and draft job descriptions, linked to National Occupational Standards for Supply Chain Manage-

ment will also be presented.

The five fast tracked students who have completed level four of the CIPS qualification will progress to level five study through a series of in country block study weeks in country from May through to October in preparation for November examinations.

Five of the CPC courses are to be delivered for up to 200 procurement personnel from June to December 2010.

Two courses are scheduled in June and another in July at RIM. Successful completion of the CPC will be a pre requisite for officers wishing to study for the CIPS qualification