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FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT, PRIVATE BAG
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TO: ALL CONTROLLING OFFICERS AND HEADS OF PUBLIC
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**ENACTMENT OF THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND DISPOSAL OF
PUBLIC ASSETS ACT**

You might be aware that Government has been undertaking a series of reforms in public procurement as part of the broad public finance management reform programme. One of the key outcomes of these reforms is the passing of the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Bill (2016) by Parliament into the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets (PPDA) Act (2017) in June, 2017.

The new Act was assented to by His Excellency, the State President Prof. Arthur Peter Mutharika on 18th August 2017. Further, the Act was gazetted on 22nd August 2017 and took effect on 21st December 2017. The notice of the effective date which was published in the Gazette on 29th January, 2018, through Government Notice No. 71, has been duly attached for your ease of reference.

The major effect of the PPDA Act is that it replaces the Public Procurement Act of 2003. The new law, among others, establishes the Public Procurement

