



President Uhuru launches IFMIS e-Procurement



His Excellency the president Uhuru Kenyatta is taken through the Kenya Supplies Portal by IFMIS Director Jerome Ochieng during the presidential launch at KICC.

VISION

'An excellently secure, reliable, efficient, effective and fully integrated financial management system.'

MISSION

'To passionately and with commitment continuously enhance our capacities to innovate, and leverage the best of technology, to provide for a fully integrated financial management system.'

Speaking during the launch, the President noted Wananchi's concerns regarding overcharging of Government goods and services. He said, by introducing transparency and accountability through e-procurement, abuse of the procurement process common in manual procurement environment will be eliminated and government funds saved.

"Indeed, given the fact that procurement of goods and services constitute about 50 percent of our annual budget, implementation of e-Procurement will, therefore, save the Government substantial financial resources. But more importantly, it will help to instill confidence in Kenyans that they are getting value for money and hence the reason why they should pay taxes."

The President reiterated the importance of e-Procurement, saying it will significantly strengthen the government-supplier relationship by streamlining the procurement procedures and in turn simplify the process of doing business with the Government.

The president reminisced about his posting as Finance Minister from 2009 to 2012. He said it was under his watch at The Treasury that the Ministry of Finance re-engineered the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) initiative. He fondly remembered the

His Excellency, President Uhuru Kenyatta has launched IFMIS e-Procurement, a system that will assist government to save millions of tax payers' money. The launch followed The National Treasury / IFMIS successful automation of the entire life cycle of the procurement process – requisition, tendering, contract award and payment. The Government is now set to purchase goods and services online through IFMIS e-Procurement.

journey that culminated in the launch of IFMIS Re-engineering in 2010.

"The opportunity to launch e-procurement brings me particular pride, happiness and a sense of accomplishment. This is a journey that goes back to 2010 when I was then responsible for the finance portfolio."

In 2010, we as a Government took the first step to re-engineer IFMIS, as part of a comprehensive reform programme of our Public Financial Management System. "This moment, therefore, carries significant resonance and symbolism to me for it was here, in the year 2011 that I launched, 'the IFMIS Re-engineering Strategic Plan' for the period 2011-2013.

The President added that IFMIS will enhance the values of integrity, transparency and accountability, which should be embedded in all aspects of public service. President Kenyatta also instructed The National Treasury to roll out the IFMIS system to all state corporations by December 2014.

IFMIS interlinks planning, budgeting, expenditure management and control, accounting, auditing and reporting.

Ministries, Departments, Agencies (MDAs) and Counties now use the IFMIS system for budgeting, procurement, payment and generation of reports among others.



IFMIS Staff with His Excellency the president Uhuru Kenyatta, Vice President William Ruto, CS National Treasury Henry Rotich, CS Devolution Anne Waiguru, PS National Secretary Kamau Thugge. IFMIS Director Jerome Ochieng, Accountant General Bernard Ndung'u

IFMIS RE-ENGINEERING COMPONENTS

RE-ENGINEERING FOR BUSINESS RESULTS (RBR)

Re - engineering business process for improved Financial Management.

PLAN TO BUDGET (P2B)

Fully integrated process and system that links planning, policy objectives and budget allocation.

PROCURE TO PAY (P2P)

Automated procurement process, from requisition, tendering, contract award to payment.

REVENUE TO CASH (R2C)

Auto- reconciliation of revenue and payments with automatic file generation.

RECORD TO REPORT (R2R)

Secure two way interface with CBK for accurate, up to date information on the GOK financial position and the production of statutory reports real time.

ICT TO SUPPORT (ICT2S)

Dedicated IFMIS support functions for software, hardware and infrastructure.

COMMUNICATE TO CHANGE (C2C)

IFMIS Academy for capacity building and continuous learning.

IFMIS Roll out to State Corporations

The National Treasury/IFMIS recently held consultations with state corporations under The National Treasury to identify modalities to deploy the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS). This follows President Uhuru Kenyatta's directive to state corporations to start using IFMIS.

The President made this directive during the launch of IFMIS e-Procurement, in August 2014 in Nairobi.

"Let me say that as we roll out e-Procurement to ministries, I expect all public agencies, institutions including public universities and parastatals to be on this system by the end of this year.

"They are part and parcel of Government, they must be part and parcel of this system. Transparency is not just a factor of ministries but all institutions that are financed by Government", added the President.

The President said all institutions financed by taxpayer funds must implement the IFMIS system to increase accountability in procurement processes.



The Principal Administrative Secretary Mutua Kilaka addressing participants at KICC during the meeting with staff corporations for IFMIS e-Procurement.

The state corporations' IFMIS consultation forums brought together 71 senior officers comprising Chief Executives, Heads of Finance and Accounting Units, Procurement and ICT officers.

The National Treasury Cabinet Secretary, Mr. Henry Rotich in a speech read by Finance Secretary, Mr. Mutua Kilaka, said the corporations' use of IFMIS e-procurement and payment system will increase transparency in tendering processes.

"We acknowledge the important contribution of the government corporations in promoting and accelerating economic growth and development and enhancing service delivery," said Mr. Rotich.

"The Cabinet Secretary said the government has increased allocation of public funds to parastatals – from 0.7 per cent of the budget in 2007 to 5.3 per cent by 2010.

"The government is therefore keen to ensure that these monies are used prudently to meet the national developmental goals" added the Cabinet Secretary.

Jerome Ochieng, IFMIS Director said the ongoing consultations with parastatals will provide understanding on the systems currently in use and to chart the way forward.