Public procurement system in Turkmenistan
The Law of Turkmenistan on “Tenders on goods, carry out works and provide services for public needs”

The law regulates the relations that arise in connection with tenders for selection of suppliers (contractors) for the purposes of supplying goods, carrying out works and providing services for public needs and is aimed at healthy competition.

The Law stipulates:
- Efficient and effective use of public funds;
- Development of competition between potential suppliers (contractors);
- Expansion of access to the small and medium entrepreneurship of Turkmenistan, public organizations, societies of disabled in the tender process as a means of public support;
- Ensuring openness, transparency and efficiency of tender procedures, ensuring their compliance with international standards and common practices of business operations in this sphere;
- Increasing the responsibility of suppliers (contractors) in fulfilling their obligations in supplying the goods and/or carrying out works or provision of services.
Participants of tender procedures are:
* Tender committees;
* The organizer of tenders;
* Potential supplier (contractor);
* Tenderers;
* Supplier (contractor).

Members of tender procedures must comply with the principle of confidentiality of information provided and used, containing information which is commercial or other secret protected by law.
Tender documentation

Includes:

* Instruction on preparation of tender offers (quotes);
* Criteria and evaluation methods of compliance of potential suppliers (contractors) with the qualification requirements as set in article 12 of the present law;
* Documented proof that need to be submitted by bidders to support their qualifications;
* Description and necessary technical, qualitative and quantitative characteristics of the supplied goods, works or services, including technical specifications, plans, drawings and design;
* A list of possible additional services, that could be included in the offer;
* Location of the works or delivery of services;
* Deadlines for completion of works or services;
* Description of all criteria, excluding the price, which are applicable in evaluation of the bids by the bid organizers;
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* Provisions, defined by the bid organizers as important, which will be included in the contract;
* Description of the part or parts of goods, works, services, on which submitted bids will not be lower than the threshold indicated for the relevant sector of the economy;
* Bid calculation method, including information on whether the price could include other elements, besides the cost of supplied goods, works or services;
* At the submission of bids in freely convertible currency, when necessary - method of comparison of bids, expressed in this currency;
* The amount of security for the supply contract and the special (tender) fee;
* Requirements for:
  * A) Form, validity and other main conditions of supply contract;
  * B) main conditions of payment of the special (tender) fee;
* The exact location and dates of tender bid;
* Description of the procedure for providing explanation on bidding documents, requested by potential bidders (contractors);
* Validity of tender bids
* Exact location, date and time of bid envelope opening (with quotes);
* Foreign language, along with the state language of Turkmenistan, in which the bidding documents are prepared;
* Full name, title and address of one or more contact persons organizing the tender, that are authorized to maintain contacts with persons, indicated in items 3-5 of part 1 of clause 7 of the present law, as well as communication methods;
* Information on the rights of persons, indicated in items 3-5 of part 1 of clause 7 of the present law, to appeal the actions or decisions of the tender commission and (or) tender organizers, in the course of the tender or in the process of supply;
* Form, conditions of the contract for goods or works/services and signing period;
* Other information, required for certain supply categories.
The procedure adopted in February 2016 stipulates the process of conducting tenders on supply of goods, carrying out works and providing services for public needs.
At the moment the country is introducing the system of electronic document processing - “e-Government”.

Introduction of the system of public procurement is planned for the next phase.

Necessary legal base is being reviewed, an optimal method of public procurement is being analyzed.
Thank you for your attention!