PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION

The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre ‘Or

(Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communication and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development -

Whether, in regard to the Procurement Policy Office, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) names of the Director and of the two persons appointed for the administration thereof, indicating in each case, the duration of the contract of appointment thereof and (b) number of potential bidders or suppliers that the Policy Office has suspended or debarred from participation in public procurement over the past two years, indicating in each case, the grounds on which the suspension or debarment, as the case may be, has been effected?
Madam Speaker,

Section 4(1) of the Public Procurement Act provides for the appointment of a Director and 2 other independent persons for the administration of the Procurement Policy Office. These persons are appointed by the President of the Republic, acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister tendered after the Prime Minister has consulted the Leader of the Opposition, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Prime Minister.

With respect to part (a) of the question, the Director is Mr. M. DHOORUNDHUR and the 2 other independent persons are Mr. P. GOBURDHUN and Mr. S. TAHALOOA. All of them were appointed with effect from 21 May 2014 for a period of three years.

Regarding part (b) of the question, five suppliers have been disqualified from public procurement during the last two years. The names of the suppliers and the grounds for their disqualifications are -
First, SNB Construction Ltd for having refused to accept an award and to enter into contract with the Municipal Council of Quatre-Bornes;

Second, Drishti Eyes Mauritius Trading Ltd which had defaulted in the execution of two contracts awarded by Ministry of Health and Quality of Life;

Third, Tianli Construction Company Ltd for delays in the completion of a contract of the Ministry of Education Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research;

Fourth, Iswurlall Beehary Construction Ltd for extreme delays in the completion of a contract of the Ministry of Education Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research; and

Fifth, FTM (Mauritius) Ltd for poor performance and non-delivery of Medical Supplies to the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life.
The names of the disqualified suppliers are posted on the website of the Policy Office during the period of disqualification and they remain disqualified from bidding for public contracts during their disqualification period.

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