

PROCUREMENT PLAN (Textual Part)

Project information: Tonga/ **Tonga Skills For Employment P161541**

Project Implementation agency: **MET/MFNP**

Date of the Procurement Plan: **July 2018**

Period covered by this Procurement Plan: **July 2018 – June 2019**

Preamble

In accordance with paragraph 5.9 of the “World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016) (“Procurement Regulations”) the Bank’s Systematic Tracking and Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be used to prepare, clear and update Procurement Plans and conduct all procurement transactions for the Project.

This textual part along with the Procurement Plan tables in STEP constitute the Procurement Plan for the Project. The following conditions apply to all procurement activities in the Procurement Plan. The other elements of the Procurement Plan as required under paragraph 4.4 of the Procurement Regulations are set forth in STEP.

The Bank’s Standard Procurement Documents: shall be used for all contracts subject to international competitive procurement and those contracts as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP.

National Procurement Arrangements: In accordance with paragraph 5.3 of the Procurement Regulations, when approaching the national market (as specified in the Procurement Plan tables in STEP), the country’s own procurement procedures may be used.

When the Borrower uses its own national open competitive procurement arrangements as set forth in such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.4 of the Procurement Regulations and the following conditions.

When other national procurement arrangements other than national open competitive procurement arrangements are applied by the Borrower, such arrangements shall be subject to paragraph 5.5 of the Procurement Regulations.

Leased Assets as specified under paragraph 5.10 of the Procurement Regulations: Leasing may be used for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables. ***“Not Applicable”***

Procurement of Second Hand Goods as specified under paragraph 5.11 of the Procurement Regulations – is allowed for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables ***“Not Applicable”***

Domestic preference as specified under paragraph 5.51 of the Procurement Regulations (Goods and Works). *N/A*

Goods: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables];

Works: [is not applicable/is applicable for those contracts identified in the Procurement Plan tables]

Hands-on Expanded Implementation Support (HEIS) as specified under paragraphs 3.10 and 3.11 of the Procurement Regulations is Applicable. *N/A*

Other Relevant Procurement Information.

N/A

