

**CHALLENGES INFLUENCING SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF
PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND DISPOSAL ACT 2005: CASE OF KENYA
AIRPPORTS AUTHORITY**

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ABSTRACT

Public procurement is an important function of government since it has a great impact on the economy and needs to be well managed. Public procurement practitioners have always faced challenges imposed upon by a variety of environment factors including market, legal environment, political environment, organizational environment, and socio-economic and other environmental factors. The study sought to determine the challenges influencing the successful implementation of the public procurement and disposal act, 2005 in the public sector. The study specifically sought to determine whether financial resources, staffing capacity, ICT adoption and accountability on procurement process affect the implementation of PPDA 2005 in Kenya. The study focused on Kenya Airports Authority as the case study. The study adopted descriptive research design. The target population was 98 staff of KAA who included the top and middle management staff as well as the general staff. Stratified random sampling was adopted whereby the population was divided into homogeneous subgroups and then a 30% was taken from the sample in each strata/subgroup. The sample size of the study was 30 respondents. The study collected primary data through use of a questionnaire. The questionnaire had both the close ended and open ended questions. Questionnaire method was preferred because it was efficient, cheap and easy to administer. These questionnaires were administered through drop and pick later to respondents. Data analysis was done using descriptive statistics. The tabulated data was analyzed with the help of the Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS 17.0). The data was presented using distribution tables and charts. The study found out that, financial resources, staff capacity, ICT adoption and accountability on procurement process posed challenges on the successful implementation of the PPDA in KAA. The study concludes that Public Procurement is highly affected by internal factors such as financial resources, ICT adoption staff capacity and accountability. The study recommends that KAA should adopt adequate controls should be put to counter malpractices and improve accountability in the procurement process. There is also need to adopt ICT in the procurement process and enhance ethics so as to improve accountability and reduce conflict of interest in the procurement process.