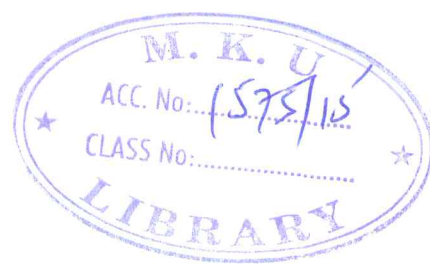


**ASSESSMENT OF DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE MATERIALS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
DEFENCE IN KENYA
(A CASE OF DEFENCE FORCES ORDINANCE DEPOT: KAHAWA BARRACKS)**

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ABSTRACT

The main purpose for carrying out this research is to access the factors affecting disposal of obsolete materials in the department of defence in Kenya. A case of Defence Forces Ordnance Depot is to be used. The specific objectives of the study is to establish the effect of inventory control, regime methodology, tendering process on disposal of obsolete materials in the department of defence in Kenya. The study will be limited by confidentiality, lack of cooperation and bureaucracy. The significance of the study is to the management of Defence Forces Ordnance Depot, the researcher and other researchers.

The research study used descriptive research design. The target population was 120 employees. Stratified random sampling procedure was used to select a sample size that was 50% of the target population. Questionnaire was the instrument/tool that the researcher used to collect the data. The raw data was analyzed qualitatively and quantitatively and presented using figures and tables.

The study finding indicated that the four factors affect disposal of obsolete materials in the department of defense in Kenya. In this regard 75% agreed that inventory control affects disposal of obsolete materials, 81% agreed that government policy affects disposal of obsolete materials, 88% agreed that tendering process affects disposal of obsolete materials and 75% agreed that storage space affects disposal of obsolete materials in the department of defense in Kenya.

The study therefore recommends that, organizations should consider implementing best inventory handling techniques to improve their effectiveness and efficiency, the organization should comply to all government policy so that to avoid any restriction and conflicts with the government thereby promoting to effective disposal of obsolete materials in the organization, the organization should ensure that there is a well and clearly defined tendering process in the organization so as to promote accountability so as to minimize chances of unnecessary disposal arising and the organization should ensure there is enough storage space within the organization so that it does not dispose any materials when the need to dispose has no aroused.