

KZN SCM Circular 07 of 2021-22 - Submission of Deviation and Variation Requests Over the Festive Season

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To All	Accounting Officers of Provincial Department	
	Accounting Authorities of Provincial Public Entities	
	Chief Financial Officers	
	Supply Chain Management Heads	

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this communication is to advise the Provincial Departments and Provincial Entities about the submission of deviation and variation requests over the festive season.

2. Background

The KwaZulu Natal Provincial Treasury (KZNPT) is advising all the Accounting Officers (AO) of the provincial departments and the Accounting Authorities (AA) of provincial public entities about the decision taken on the submission of deviation and variation requests over the festive season.

National Treasury has issued a communication that there should be no advertising, publishing and closing of bids over the festive season, from 17 December 2021 to 7 January 2022 and only the emergency and sole supplier procurement must be actioned by the AOs and AAs.

This decision then necessitates this communication which is aimed at aligning processes. The KZNPT is advising the AOs and AAs that only the Emergency and Sole Source deviations must be generated during the festive period.

From 17 December 2021 deviation requests will not be accepted by KZNPT for attention until 7 January 2022 unless there are urgent reasons for such acceptance.

This is largely because these requests form a greater part of the general market that is deemed by the National Treasury to be closed.



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3. Dissemination of information contained in this circular

Accounting Officers and Accounting Authorities are required to bring the content of this communication to all the relevant stakeholders.

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To:

Accounting Officers and Accounting Authorities

(National and Provincial Administrations)

ADVERTISING, PUBLISHING AND CLOSING OF BIDS OVER THE FESTIVE SEASON

- 1. Supply Chain Management practices must subscribe to a system that is fair, transparent, competitive and cost-effective.
- 2. The festive period commences from 16 December 2021 to 07 January 2022. During this period many industries are closed. Advertising, publishing and or closing of a bid during this period will deem the bid procedurally unfair.
- 3. Accounting Officers and Accounting Authorities must therefore refrain from advertising, publishing and or closing bids during this period.
- 4. Deviation from the competitive process during the festive period will not be allowed. Accounting Officers and Accounting Authorities may only deviate from the competitive bidding process if the case is deemed an emergency or the procurement is sole source.

Kind Regards, Signed by:Basani Duiker Signed at:2021-11-17 10:11:28 +02:00 Reason:Witnessing Basani Duiker

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