

19. (1) For procurement during a period emergency, where the State is either seriously threatened by or actually confronted with a challenge which is economic, social, legal in nature, disaster, epidemic, pandemic, catastrophe, war, insurrection, or act of God during which period there is restriction of movement, procuring entities may undertake procurements through available e-procurement platforms of the State and other electronic medium as may be appropriate.

E-procurement to use during period of Emergency

(2) While the afore-mentioned emergency situations persist, an enhancement policy shall be adopted to increase SMEs participation in Government contracts.

(3) Pursuant to subsection 2 above, a percentage of Government contracts by procurement entities below a monetary threshold shall be reserved by the Commission through circulars for SME's, subject to the approval of the State Executive Council.

20. Any procurement validly undertaken in accordance with any previous guidelines prior to the commencement date of this and Guidelines shall remain valid and not be governed by the provisions of these Guidelines and shall be continued to completion

Savings and Transitional Provisions