

Abstract

The Influence of the Tendering Process on the Local Construction Sector – A Trinidad and Tobago Case Study

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In this project report the author undertakes an investigation in order to ascertain if the present procedures for tendering and obtaining working capital for construction projects adversely affect the local construction sector by being biased against the local contractor.

A literature review was carried out and available data on the local construction sector was located and studied. An investigation of the role and function of the Central Tenders Board was conducted as well as an analysis of the procedures for the award of a contract from the Central Tenders Board.

The author undertook as well an investigation into how contract documents are used to apportion risk on a construction contract with case studies being used to illustrate how risk is actually apportioned on the construction contracts. The influence of working capital and financing the implementation of construction contracts by the local contractor was also investigated. Finally the project report sought to use the method of a statistical survey by way of personal interviews to collect data, in order to analyse the influence of the tendering process on the local construction sector and to test the stated null hypothesis. The null hypothesis in this project states that the present procedures for tendering and obtaining working capital for construction projects adversely affect the local construction sector by being biased against the local contractor.

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