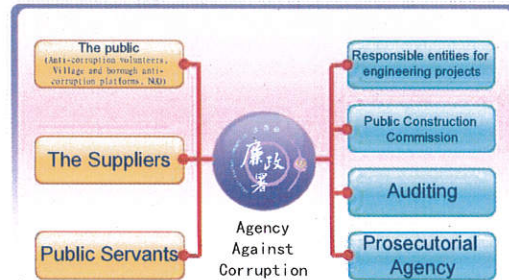


The Framework of AAC Anti-corruption Platform

Concept



The Agency Against Corruption (AAC) will serve as the liaison among the public, suppliers, public servants, and related governmental agencies (engineering, auditing and prosecution). With active implementation, the public servants may perform their duties without worries, the suppliers' rights will be reasonably protected, the public will enjoy quality public infrastructure and the government may properly supervise and audit the projects.

Goal

Establish high quality and respectful working environment

- Implement consultation and registration of ethics behaviors for public servants.
- Properly handle false and abusive accusations and clear any wrongful accusation for the colleagues.
- Protect the colleagues and the suppliers from violent threats.

Assist the projects to be completed on time with expected quality and without flaws

- Assist the responsible entities for engineering projects to establish a transparent procurement system.
- Assist the responsible entities for engineering projects to properly handle appeals.
- Integrate the internal control mechanism within the agency and fulfill the responsibility of conducting audits.
- Assist with handling petitions to avoid project delay.

Integrate and utilize the power of external supervision

Establish the "village and borough anti-corruption platforms" and "anti-corruption volunteers" and integrate the NGOs and elected representatives in order to supervise the projects with the power from the public, assist with detecting the flaws in an early stage, and seek improvement and solution through the Agency Against Corruption Anti-corruption Platform.

Case

The "Water Care and Water Replenishment" Project

The distribution of rainfalls in Taiwan is uneven, and the supply and demand of water resources are facing many challenges under the influence of the climate change in recent years. The effects on southern Taiwan are especially evident. When Typhoon Morakot hit Taiwan in August 2009, the erosion and landslide greatly increased in Tseng Wen and Nan Hua Reservoirs. After Typhoon Morakot, the sediment increased by 110 million cubic meters, which greatly affects the water supply. In order to improve the operation of the major reservoirs in southern Taiwan (Tseng Wen, Nan Hua and Wusanto Reservoirs), strengthen environmental protection of the catchments areas from the upper streams and effectively increase the water reserve and stable water supply, the government appropriated a six-year budget of NTD\$ 54 billion in 2010 to accelerate reservoir management and explore new water resources to reduce the risk of water shortage, maintain the operation of the reservoirs and prolong their lives.

Anti-corruption tasks should be preventative in order to reduce the risks of fraud and eliminate inappropriate interference. The Agency Against Corruption (AAC) considered this project significant for the sustainable use of water resources in southern Taiwan, and the implementation is cross-departmental and the cost associated is huge. Therefore, as the guardian of the major national infrastructure project for the first time, the Agency held a series of activities themed "All people care for water to ensure sufficient water supply in Taiwan" in December 2011 and pledged to connect the social participation functions of the "village and borough anti-corruption platforms" and "anti-corruption volunteers". With

the cross-jurisdictional integration of engineering, prosecution, anti-corruption, auditing, NGO, elected representatives and local authorities, the goal is to enlist people's participation and monitoring in an effort to raise the engineering quality and to prevent corruption of the nation's major infrastructure projects. This project is not only a breakthrough innovation but also a benchmark for future anti-corruption work.

Our approach

Cross-jurisdictional integration and lateral connection

To operate the AAC anti-corruption platform, and regular seminars and workshops are held every two months to increase the interaction among the lead project agency, anti-corruption authority, prosecution and police, suppliers, auditors, NGO, and local organizations and to collaboratively collect, analyze, and consult on the solutions toward risk factors.

Establish a high quality working environment for public sectors

Assist the colleagues in the agency to avoid exterior interferences such as lobbying, false and abusive accusations, threats and violence, and irrational behaviors, and properly handle petitions, protests, and dangerous or damaging incidents.

Grasp the progress of engineering projects and promote the transparency and openness of the operation



Collect the content of the engineering project implementation and coordinate the project to make announcements through the internet or other means so that the suppliers or the public may fully comprehend the information.

Ensure the openness, fairness and justness of the procurement process

The ethics units will, within their jurisdictions, assist the agency to establish a transparent and open procurement process and protect the legal rights of the suppliers.

Improve professional knowledge and skills through education, promotion and observation

Conduct educational training to perfect the professional knowledge and skills of the anti-corruption volunteers so that they have the abilities to detect flaws in the engineering project, and reflect through the anti-corruption platform to elevate the quality. Conduct interactions between the platform contactors and the volunteers so that they can observe each other and exchange their opinions.

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