

## INTRODUCTION

The procurement of defence stores, including capital equipment, is jointly undertaken by the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Finance.

The decision to request for purchase rests with the Secretary General of the Ministry of Defence. By the delegation of powers through the Deputy Secretary General I, the Supply Division, working closely with the Armed Forces, is tasked to administer the procurement machinery.

General guidelines and specifications are prepared for the items to be purchased. References are made to instructions and procedures issued by the

relevant authorities. Adhering to national policies and guidelines, the following are highlighted:

1. The most advantageous purchase, taking into account the price, quality, service, usage and any other relevant factors.
2. Preference would be given to locally manufactured products.
3. The New Economic Policy.
4. Transfer of technology.
5. Countertrade.

Diagrammatically, the structure of the Supply Division is as illustrated below:

