## **ABSTRACT**

This study was conducted to investigate challenges facing procurement of Agriculture inputs in private sector by understanding procurement procedures in private sector, understanding factors affecting the implantation of procurement of agriculture inputs as well as challenges faced by Procurement practitioners in procurement of agriculture inputs. The study was conducted at FINTRAC and data were collected from User departments, Management, Procurement practitioners and heads of departments. The objective of this study was to Assessing challenges facing procurement of Agriculture inputs in private sector. The study was conducted in Arusha city

Different key words was defined in chapter two, also the conceptual frame work developed whereby it represents the summary of literature reviewed on the relationship between costs of agricultural inputs and the procedures involved in procurement. In this conceptual framework, cost of agricultural inputs is dependant variable and procedures involved in procurement, farm size and source of supply are independent variable i.e. The cost of agricultural inputs is influenced by the farm size, supply source and complexity of the purchasing procedures

A case study methodology was employed at Fintrac to undertake in-depth analysis on the topic. This study was explorative type. Questionnaires, observation documentary review were used as a primary data collection instruments from the sample population which consisted employees from Fintrac. 30 completed questionnaire determined issues regarding challenges faced in procurement of agriculture inputs. Questionnaire was employed as a major instrument in collection of primary data while documentation was used for secondary data

Findings revealed that lack of awareness on procurement issues, limited supply, lack of clear defined procedures are the factors that affect implementation of procurement of agriculture inputs in private sectors. Also lack of procurement professionals is among the challenges faced private organization in relation to procurement of agriculture inputs.

The study recommends to that there is a need to lay down the laws which will guide procurement activities in private sectors as the private sector need an attention also in procurement matters especially procurement of agriculture inputs, also procurement professionals should increase their awareness on agriculture inputs procurement this can be achieved through attend different workshops and trainings.

