

ABSTRACT

The research assessed the roles of professionalism on performance of force account method in public construction projects. The aim of the study was to examine the roles of professional knowledge, competence and integrity on performance of force account method in public construction projects. The specific objectives of the study were to examine the role of professional knowledge, the role of competence and the role of integrity on performance of force account method in public construction projects. Study adopted resource dependence theory and total quality management theory. Study was conducted in Dodoma, using the cross-sectional research design with quantitative research approach. The study also employed simple random and purposive sampling technique with sample size of 84 respondents. The data were analyzed by using Descriptive Statistics and Inferential Statistics. The findings indicate out that, there is positive relationship between professional knowledge and performance of force account method in public construction projects at significance level of 0.05. It also showed that, there is positive relationship between competence and performance of force account method in public construction projects at level significance level of 0.05. Last, it revealed that, integrity has weak and negative contribution towards performance of force account method in public construction projects at significance level of 0.05. It can therefore be concluded out that, professional knowledge and competence are the key determinants influencing the force account method in public construction projects. The study also has a direct bearing on local government authority, underscoring the importance of having well-qualified personnel possessing the requisite professional knowledge and a high level of competence to oversee and execute operations in various projects with optimal performance. The approach ensures that resources were utilized efficiently, delivering value for money and aligns with the government's objectives of promoting the use of force account method in majority of its public construction projects.