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## **IS THE CLIENT GETTING VALUE FOR MONEY ON ZIMBABWEAN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS?**

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# ABSTRACT

Nowadays clients are becoming aware of value for money and this has led to advent of various value adding methods on the international scene. Projects are neither delivered to time or cost and this has led to projects being suspended or abandoned and subsequently to client dissatisfaction. This dissertation is about finding out if the client in Zimbabwe is getting value for money. The research looks at the implementation of value methods, alternative procurement methods, effective teamwork and project control on construction projects as a means of increasing value for money. A sample of architects, project managers, quantity surveyors, engineers, contractors and clients was used to bring out the views of the industry. The survey showed that value methods and alternative procurement methods are not used on most Zimbabwean construction projects. It was found that projects are not delivered on time or to costs but are usually delivered within the quality parameters. It was also found that conflicts do not usually occur on projects and do not have a big impact on client value for money.