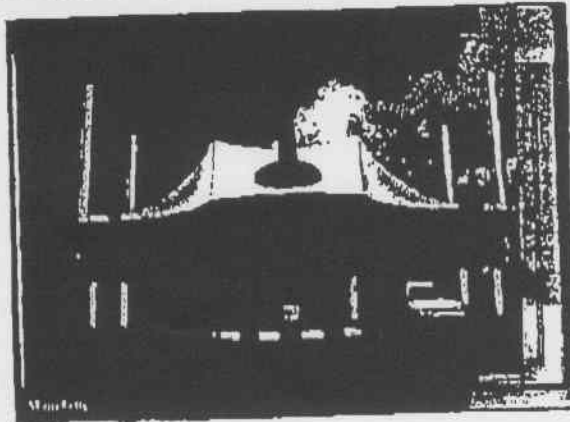


# The United Republic of Tanzania The Export Processing Zones Authority

## INVESTMENT IN THE BENJAMIN WILLIAM MKAPA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE



1. The Export Processing Zones Authority (EPZA) is Autonomous Government Agency which was established under the Export Processing Zones (Amendments) Act No.3 of 2006. The main functions of EPZA, among others, include the coordination, promotion and facilitation of Export Processing Zones (EPZ) investments, the acquisition of land in its name and erecting thereon industrial buildings; the leasing of such buildings to EPZ investors, the provision of basic infrastructure and utilities in the EPZs, and the licensing of EPZs, investors.

2. EPZA has serviced land for industrial use that is available for lease at Benjamin William Mkapa Special Economic Zone (BWM-SEZ) at Mabibo, Dar es Salaam. The plot sizes ranges from 0.3 hectare to 1.1 hectares.

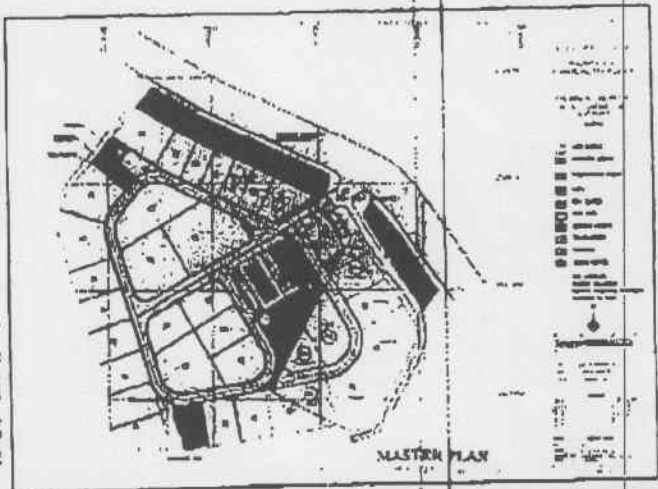
3: The Benjamin William Mkapa Special Economic Zone is equipped with all the necessary infrastructure including:

- A power sub station
- Reliable gas distribution system connected to Songas pipelines
- Reliable sewerage disposal system
- A water reserve tank with a capacity of 4.5 million litres
- Reliable fire fighting system

In addition the BWM SEZ complex has support buildings for customs, offices, shopping arcades, fire station, cafeteria and clinic.

4. EPZA intends to lease the serviced plots in line with the BWM SEZ project plan, and SEZ/EPZ schemes.

6. Industries in the BWM SEZ could be those producing for exports or for the local market. However, Export oriented manufacturing industries (those exporting 80% of the products or above) will have an exclusive advantage.



*If you are interested, Please obtain further information form EPZA Offices  
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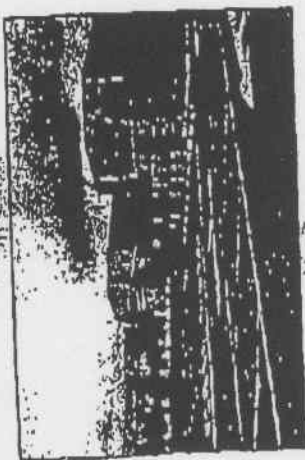


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**PRIORITY SECTORS**

EPZA welcomes export-oriented investments in the following priority sectors:-  
 Textile and garments, Leather processing, Textile machinery, Furniture of leather products, Lapidary (Gem) Design and Jewellery, Semiconductors including the famous Tanzania variety (Garnet) in Tanzania), Agro-processing, Fish processing, Wood products, Electrical and electronic appliances, Information technology, Communication Technology (ICT) industries and any other export-oriented manufacturing/processing operations.



**AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

- The Millennium Business Park - Ubungu, DSM.
- The Hifadhi EPZ - Ubungu, DSM.
- Vector Health EPZ - Kiungo, Arusha.

**EPZ LICENSING**

Investors must submit applications accompanied by a copy of memorandum of association, copy of certificate of goods to be incorporated, business plan, indicating type of goods to be produced or processed, production volume, volume of exports, location and EPZ area where the business is intended to be carried on, type of raw materials to be used, production process intended to be used and environmental clearance certificate.

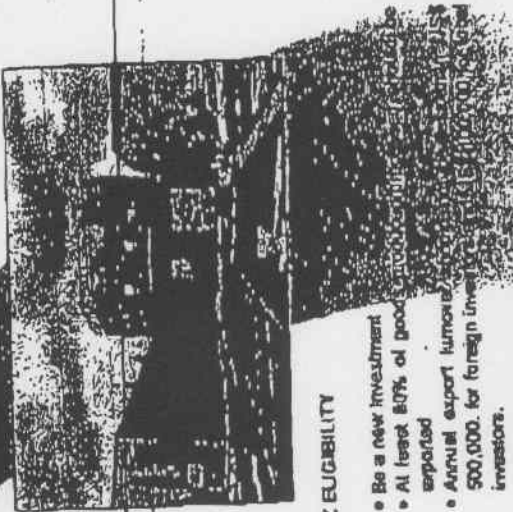
There are three categories of EPZ licenses:

- Developer's license
- Operator's license
- Service Provision license

Completed application forms with supporting documentation should be returned with a non-refundable fee of 50 United States Dollars for all categories. The Developer's license fee is 5,000 USD, the Operator's license fee is 1,000 USD and the Service Provision license fee is 1,000 USD per annum.

**EXPORT SET-UPS**

Export processing zones (EPZs)



**EPZ ELIGIBILITY**

- Be a new investment
- At least 80% of goods produced must be exported
- Annual export turnover of 500,000 for foreign investors.



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For Export-led Economic Growth

**BACKGROUND**

The Export Processing Zones (EPZs) Programme in Tanzania was established in 2002 following the enactment of the Export Processing Zones Act, 2002. The scheme promotes export oriented investment within designated zones aimed to create international competitiveness for export-led economic growth. The programme offers a range of attractive fiscal, physical and procedural incentives to ensure lower cost operations, faster set up and smoother operations.

**OBJECTIVES**

The programme's objectives are to attract and promote investment for export-led industrialization; to expand foreign exchange earnings; to create jobs and skills development; to promote transfer of new technology; to foster linkages of the EPZs with the domestic market; and to promote strengthening of government's role for export.

**TANZANIA AS AN INVESTMENT DESTINATION**

Tanzania is an attractive investment climate to investors looking for a low cost base for production and service location for Africa.

Tanzania has been undertaking economic reforms aimed at promoting investment. The reforms include liberalisation of the foreign exchange market, the financial sector takes the leading role in the economy. Under the new liberalized financial sector, foreign investments have been removed. Privatization of public enterprises have been initiated. The reforms have been improved with almost all public enterprises being privatized. These are aimed at making Tanzania an attractive investment destination.

Tanzania is a multi-party democracy with protection to investors. Investment in Tanzania is protected by the Investment Guarantee Act, 2002. Tanzania enjoys bilateral investment protection with many countries.

Tanzania has a population of 44 million (2009). Tanzania is geographically located on the East African coast with four major ports: Dar es Salaam, Mtwara, Zanzibar, and Mbeja providing outlets for export and import.

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Tanzania has a well-developed network linking the four major ports and the inland capital of Dar es Salaam with the rest of the country. Major roads, air and sea routes connect Tanzania to its neighbours, Malawi, Zambia and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Tanzania has abundant natural resources ranging from minerals to agriculture, forestry and marine resources. Tanzania is a member of several preferential trade arrangements. These include the African Growth Opportunity Act (AGOA) of the United States, the European Union's Everything But Arms (EBA) programme, Canada, China, Korea and Regional Markets, which are the East African Co-operation (EAC) and the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

The private sector and entrepreneurship: Tanzania pursues an open market economy with the private sector taking the lead. Tanzania's private sector comprises small and medium enterprises (SMEs), medium sized businesses and multinational companies, producing goods and providing services for local consumption and export.

Human resources: Tanzania has a sizeable pool of skilled and trainable manpower at competitive rates. The Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT) and the Vocational Education & Training Authority (VETA) centres are among the major sources of skilled labour.

Social amenities: Enjoying unmatched peace and political stability, Tanzania provides a pleasant and high quality life for both the investor and his family.

**INVESTMENT INCENTIVES**

Licensed EPZ projects are entitled to the following incentives provided in the law under the Export Processing Zones (Amendment) Act, 2002:

- Subject to compliance with applicable conditions and procedures, processing the Export credit guarantee scheme;
- Exemption from customs duty, VAT and any other tax on the import of materials and goods of capital nature;
- Exemption from payment of corporate tax for an initial period of 10 years.

From payment of withholding tax on rent, interest and interest for 10 years.

- Exemption from payment of all taxes and levies imposed by local government authorities for goods and services produced in the EPZs for the period of 10 years.
- Exemption from pre-shipment or destination inspection requirements.
- On site customs inspection of goods in the EPZs.
- Provision of temporary visas at point of entry to the EPZs, management and training staff for a maximum period of 60 days.

Remission of customs duty: VAT and any other tax payable in respect of importation of administrative vehicles, ambulances, fire fighting equipment vehicles; and up to 2 buses.

- Treatment of goods destined into EPZs as transit cargo.
- Exemption from VAT on utility and wharfage charges.
- Exemption for an initial automatic import quota of up to \$-persons during the first up period.
- Access to computer, modern and reliable services.

Special facilities in the EPZs:

- Unrestricted importability through any authorized dealer bank in their convertible currency of profits and dividends.
- Free importation of goods in the domestic market.

EPZ (INVESTMENT) ZONES: EPZs are:

- Areas of infrastructure in earmarked EPZ
- Areas of operations;
- Areas of factory units.

**AVAILABLE SERVICES FOR DEVELOPMENT**

The following services are available for EPZ development:

- Kilimo
- Bujumbura
- Mwanza
- Ujiji and
- Kariakoo
- Luwawa
- Neema area
- Usagaru/Nyeru
- Mererani - Nanyatele
- Mbeja Region
- Lindi Region

All of the above EPZs are integrated with the main gateways such as air, sea, lake ports and borders.