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THE AUCTION OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM IN IMT BAND (3600-3800 MHz)

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1. Introduction

1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 The Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA) is mandated by the TCRA Act CAP 172 and the Electronic and Postal Communications Act (EPOCA) CAP 306 to manage and control all radio communication frequencies or spectrum channels and provide mechanisms governing allocation and assignment by issuing licences with determined conditions.
- 1.1.2 The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) World Radiocommunication Conference 2023 (WRC-23) held from 20th November to 15th December, 2023 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates made a decision under Agenda Item 1.3, to allocate the 3600-3800 MHz band to Mobile Services and identified it for International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) services.
- 1.1.3 In implementing the WRC-23 decision, TCRA identified the high demand for spectrum in 3600-3800 MHz band by the telecommunication subsector in the United Republic of Tanzania for IMT services, and decides to release the available spectrum in this band through auction, as required by the law.
- 1.1.4 The spectrum auction aims at promoting effective competition in the telecommunication market and thus, enhance consumer welfare, investment and innovation. Particularly, the planned spectrum auction of 3600-3800 MHz band will, among others, bring the following benefits to the nation: -
 - (i) Advancement of the country's mobile and fixed broadband infrastructure and capability which will serve as a catalyst for the nation's economic development particularly digital economy to facilitate growth of all sectors;
 - (ii) Facilitation of social economic benefits as mobile and fixed broadband will be key for promoting efficient provision of services

- such as education, health, agriculture, commerce, financial services through ICTs;
- (iii) Enhancing quality of services and quality of experience through coverage and capacity improvement;
- (iv) Extending the provision of mobile broadband services to a wider Tanzanian population; and
- (v) Promotion, enhancement and facilitation of innovation for new ICT services and technologies to be deployed in the band.
- 1.1.5 Moreover, this Chapter describes the regulatory policy objectives and legal considerations which have shaped the design of the Award Process to achieve the optimal value of scarce radio frequency spectrum resource which is realized when spectrum is assigned and utilized.

1.2 Regulatory Policy Objectives

- 1.2.1 In the award process of spectrum in 3600-3800 MHz, TCRA has considered the National Information Communications and Technology Policy, 2016 (National ICT Policy). The Policy provides the following key objectives relevant to the assignment and effective utilisation of frequency spectrum: -
 - (i) To enhance access and availability of affordable and reliable broadband services to accelerate the socio-economic development of the society.
 - (a) Ensure a conducive environment for collaboration of public and private sectors in exploring various means of financing access to broadband services;
 - (b) Ensure availability and accessibility of reliable and affordable broadband services countrywide.
 - (ii) To strengthen management and promote efficiency in spectrum allocation and utilization that guarantees its availability and competition in both urban and rural areas:

- (a) Ensure availability of spectrum for various uses and allocation that favours public interest; promotes innovation, research and development; strengthens competition and attracts foreign direct investment;
- (b) Ensure allocation and assignment of commercial spectrum resources that are transparent, competitive, do not confer permanent ownership to users, and that sees to it that the allocated resources are used efficiently for sustainable provision of affordable and quality ICT services; and
- (c) Strengthen national capacity of management of spectrum and enhance contribution to regional and international spectrum planning and harmonization in conformity with international standards.
- 1.2.2 In addition to the National ICT Policy, TCRA is also guided by Tanzania Digital Economy Strategic Framework (2024–2034), to ensure that the outcome of the Award Process advances the fourth industrial revolution and accelerates the agenda for the digital economy.
- 1.2.3 According to the Tanzania Digital Economy Strategic Framework (2024–2034) one of its key objectives is the development and strengthening of ubiquitous national connectivity and infrastructure. This strategy aims to ensure availability, accessibility, reliability, safety and affordability of broadband services across the country.

1.3 Legal Context

- 1.3.1 The Award Process for radio frequency spectrum in the 3600-3800 MHz band for IMT services, is in alignment with the TCRA duties provided in Section 5 of the TCRA Act, CAP 172, as follows:
 - (i) Promoting effective competition and economic efficiency;
 - (ii) Protecting the interest of consumers;
 - (iii) Protecting the financial viability of efficient suppliers; and

- (iv) Promoting the availability of regulated services to all consumers including low-income, rural and disadvantaged consumers.
- 1.3.2 In addition to that, Section 72 of the Electronic and Postal Communications Act CAP 306, ("EPOCA") mandates TCRA to allocate, assign, issue, distribute, retrieve, suspend, cancel or otherwise modify distribution among users or Licensees of any radio communication frequencies or frequencies channels.
- 1.3.3 Section 77 of EPOCA provides TCRA with general powers to manage and control all radio communications frequency spectrum and provide mechanisms governing allocation and assignment by issuing licences. Section 78 of EPOCA grants TCRA the powers to set technical conditions for the use of spectrum. Section 15 of EPOCA mandates TCRA to set fees for spectrum and other postal and electronic communication Licences and review the fees from time-to-time.
- 1.3.4 Notwithstanding the powers of TCRA as stated in Section 1.3.1, 1.3.2 and 1.3.3 of this Information Memorandum, regulation 27 of the Electronic and Postal Communications (Radio Communications and Frequency Spectrum) Regulations, 2018, requires TCRA to employ a competitive process in the allocation and assignment of radio frequency spectrum. Also, regulation 20 (1) of Electronic and Postal Communications (Licensing) Regulations, 2018 requires TCRA through a competitive process to invite applications for Network Facilities and Network Services which require spectrum from time to time.
- 1.3.5 In accordance with the provided laws in this Chapter, on 18th December 2024, TCRA notified the general public and stakeholders, the plan to release 3600-3800 MHz band allocated for IMT services through competitive process. Therefore, through the public notice, stakeholders were invited to prepare for the planned spectrum auction.

1.4 Timetable

1.4.1 The indicative schedule for the key stages of the spectrum auction process is shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Spectrum Auction Process Timetable

S/N	PROCESS STEP	DATE
1.	Publication of Draft Information Memorandum	03/02/2025
2.	Start of Comments and Questions submission	03/02/2025
3.	Deadline for submission of Comments and Questions	23/04/2025
4.	Publication of response to Comments and Questions	21/05/2025
5.	Publication of Information Memorandum	02/06/2025
6.	Start of Application Window	02/06/2025
7.	Application Deadline	27/06/2025
8.	Confirmation of Bidders	04/07/2025
9.	Auction Date and Award of Spectrum	10/07/2025
10.	Publication of Auction Results	10/07/2025
11.	Payment Deadline for 1st Instalment	24/07/2025
12.	Grant of Licences	28/07/2025
13.	Payment Deadline for 2 nd Instalment	08/01/2026
14.	Payment Deadline for 3 rd Instalment	08/07/2026
15.	Payment Deadline for 4 th Instalment	08/01/2027
16.	Payment Deadline for 5 th Instalment	08/07/2027

1.5 Structure of the Information Memorandum

- 1.5.1 The Information Memorandum is comprised of seven (7) Chapters with Annexes. Chapter 1 provides a general introduction and overview of the award process, Chapter 2 describes the spectrum Blocks to be assigned, Chapter 3 describes the licence conditions attached to the Blocks, Chapter 4 describes Bidder qualifications and eligibility, Chapter 5 the award process is described in detail, Chapter 6 explains the auction design description and lastly, Chapter 7 provides the instructions for Applicants.
- 1.5.2 Generally, this Information Memorandum (IM) sets out fundamental practical issues such as qualification criteria, applicant's eligibility and other rules, to provide guidance to the stakeholders/Bidders intending to participate in the Award Process for 3600-3800 MHz frequency band.

2. The Spectrum to be Assigned

2.1 Spectrum Packaging

- 2.1.1 TCRA is conducting the spectrum auction to assign available spectrum in 3600-3800 MHz band for IMT services. The subject matter of the auction is four (4) Blocks of 1x50 MHz of the 3600-3800 MHz spectrum band.
- 2.1.2 The details of the four (4) Blocks of 1x50 MHz of the 3600-3800 MHz spectrum band are shown in Figure 1. The frequencies to be assigned in are from 3600-3650 MHz, 3650-3700 MHz, 3700-3750 MHz and 3750-3800 MHz in the frequency scheme of Time Division Duplex (TDD).

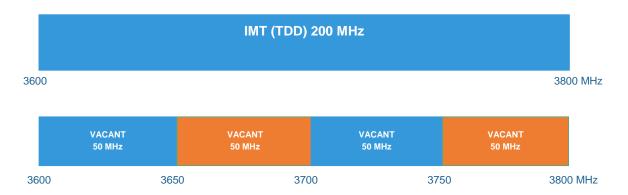


Figure 1: Channel arrangements in the 3600-3800MHz spectrum band.

2.2 Spectrum Cap

Determination of the spectrum cap has taken into consideration the bidders existing spectrum holding in the 3400-3600 MHz band. Successful Bidders will be awarded contiguous spectrum where applicable subject to the following Cap:

- 2.2.1 Bidders are required to indicate number of Blocks of 1 x 50 MHz in 3600-3800 MHz that should not exceed 140 MHz spectrum cap within the entire 3400-3800 MHz band after conclusion of the primary stage.
- 2.2.2 Notwithstanding conditions in 2.2.1, Bidders are allowed to indicate more Blocks than the specified Cap. The additional Block(s) will be awarded in the secondary stage of the auction subject to availability of unsold Blocks after the primary stage of the auction.

2.3 Reserve Price

- 2.3.1 The Reserve Price is the minimum price that TCRA will accept in the Award Process for the 1x50 MHz Block of spectrum in 3600-3800 MHz band.
- 2.3.2 The Reserve Price for a 1x50 MHz Block in the 3600-3800 MHz band is TZS 30,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Thirty Billion).

2.4 Licence Geographical coverage

2.4.1 The radio frequency spectrum will be assigned to be used on a national basis in the United Republic of Tanzania.

3. Licence Conditions and Obligations

3.1 Introduction

- 3.1.1 This chapter describes the key Licence Conditions attached to the spectrum Blocks and should be read in conjunction with the Draft Licence shown in **Annex G.**
- 3.1.2 The key Licence Conditions are related to:
 - (i) Coverage and Quality of Service Obligations;
 - (ii) Annual Administrative Spectrum Fees;
 - (iii) Licence Term and Renewal;
 - (iv) Revocation; and
 - (v) Technical Conditions.

3.2 Coverage Obligations

3.2.1 Coverage obligations attached to 3600-3800 MHz band

- 3.2.1.1 Successful Bidder granted Licence for the 3600-3800 MHz spectrum must maintain a geographical presence as follows: -
 - (i) At least six (6) different administrative regions of the United Republic of Tanzania by 2028;
 - (ii) All headquarters of administrative regions by the end of 2033.

3.3 Quality of Service Obligations

The service providers shall comply with key performance indicators (KPIs) outlined in the Electronic and Postal Communications (Quality-of-Service) Regulations 2018 to meet the existing quality of service requirements.

3.4 Spectrum Auction Payment Schedule

- 3.4.1 The Licensee shall pay the Spectrum Auction Price based on the Blocks won in full or five (5) instalments as follows:
 - (i) 40% of the Auction Price within **fourteen (14) days** from the date of auction:
 - (ii) 15% of the Auction Price within **six (6) months** from the date of auction;

- (iii) 15% of the Auction Price within **twelve (12) months** from the date of auction;
- (iv) 15% of the Auction Price within **eighteen (18) months** from the date of auction; and
- (v) 15% of the Auction Price within **twenty four (24) months** from the date of auction.

3.5 Annual Administrative Spectrum Fee

- 3.5.1 Licence holders shall pay an Annual Administrative Spectrum Fee. The fee is to cover the costs of administering spectrum and will be proportional to the spectrum licensed. Failure to pay the Annual Administrative Spectrum Fee may result to TCRA imposing sanctions on the Licensee including revocation of the Licence.
- 3.5.2 The first payment of Administrative Spectrum Fee will be made twelve (12) months after the date on which the Licence was issued and then every twelve (12) months thereafter until the end of the Licence Term.
- 3.5.3 The Administrative Spectrum Fee will be Tanzanian Shillings Ten Million (TZS10,000,000) per 1 MHz per annum subject to periodic consultative review.

3.6 Licence Term and Renewal

- 3.6.1 The Licence duration shall be 15 years from the issuance date.
- 3.6.2 On expiry, the licence may be renewed in favour of the licensee subject to efficiency, market competition, technological development, and the licensee's compliance to the licence conditions.

3.7 Revocation

- 3.7.1 TCRA reserves the right to revoke Licence pursuant to Section 72 of the EPOCA when the licensee is:
 - (i) Utilising the radio communication frequencies, spectrum or frequency channels for purposes other than those originally permitted;
 - (ii) Not utilising the radio frequencies efficiently and effectively;

- (iii) Misusing, abusing or hoarding the radio communication frequencies or frequency channels or frequencies;
- (iv) Engaging in practices intended to drive competitors out of business or deter any other Licensee or user from establishing a competitive business in the country or in any specific area or location within the country;
- (v) Carrying out acts intended or likely to hurt, injure, infringe, harm or interfere with the radio communication frequencies or frequency channels or frequencies of other users or Licensees;
- (vi) Using or operating a radio communication frequencies or frequency channels or frequency without having a Licence issued under this Act; or
- (vii) Contravening any other conditions in relations to the assigned frequencies.

3.8 Technical Licence Conditions

- 3.8.1 The Licence to be granted is technology and service neutral.
- 3.8.2 Spectrum winners in the 3600-3800 MHz band must align their TDD transmission frame with ongoing operations in the 3400-3600 MHz band.

4. Bidder Qualification, Eligibility and Conduct

4.1 Principal Criteria

- 4.1.1 Only those Applicants that meet the Qualification Criteria will be designated as Bidders and will be permitted to participate in the Award Process.
- 4.1.2 Bidders participating in the Award Process shall be subject to fulfilling the requirements of Licensing pursuant to the EPOCA and its related Regulations.
- 4.1.3 The Qualification Criteria are:
 - (i) Bidders in this auction shall be those having all the following valid licences: -
 - (a) National Network Facilities
 - (b) National Network Services
 - (c) National Application Services
 - (ii) Bidders shall be those who have submitted irrevocable Power of Attorney indicating personnel participating the auction on behalf of the applicant;
 - (iii) Bidders shall be those who have submitted an irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form detailing the number of Blocks applied for primary stage of the auction, number of Block for secondary stage of the auction and bid prices per Block on the date of auction as described in this Information Memorandum;
 - (iv) The Applicant must have correctly followed the Application Instructions in Chapter 7 of this Information Memorandum;
 - (v) The Applicant must have paid the Application Fee of TZS 2,500,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Only); and
 - (vi) The Applicant must provide an appropriate Bank Guarantee as defined in Section 4.2 of this Information Memorandum.

4.2 Bank Guarantee

- 4.2.1 For the purposes of this Award Process, a Bank Guarantee will be used as a payment guarantee. Other equivalent documents will not be accepted.
- 4.2.2 The Bank Guarantee should be issued by a bank registered and operating in Tanzania with unequivocal tracking records within the United Republic of Tanzania.
- 4.2.3 The Bank Guarantee will be TZS 3,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Three Billion Only) for each Bidder to participate in the auction.
- 4.2.4 The Bank Guarantee must be valid for at least 30 days from the date of auction.
- 4.2.5 A template of an appropriate Bank Guarantee letter is provided in **Annex E**.

4.3 Definitions of Participants, Confidential Information and Exemptions

- 4.3.1 The definition of a Participant includes any additional entity or person who has knowledge of a Participant's Confidential Information. Such entities or persons may include financiers, consultants, legal advisers, vendors and academics. Applicants and Bidders to this information memorandum are collectively referred to as Participants.
- 4.3.2 For the purposes of the Award Process, Confidential Information is defined as any information which, if known to another Participant, may influence its conduct during the Award Process. Confidential Information includes but is not limited to information related to:
 - (i) Participation in the Award Process itself;
 - (ii) The Participant's business case, spectrum values and bid limits for any combination of Blocks; and
 - (iii) Auction bidding strategy that includes setting of the Spectrum Bid values (Number of Blocks and Bid Price).

- 4.3.3 It may be possible that, a Participant is unaware that it has an entity or person with knowledge of Confidential Information in common with another Participant. If TCRA identifies that two or more Participants have an entity or person in common, shall:
 - (i) Notify the Participant concerned and provide a deadline by which they may apply for an exemption as indicated in Section 4.3.4 of this Information Memorandum;
 - (ii) Require one or more of the Participants to end the involvement of such entities or persons in their participation in the Award Process;
 or
 - (iii) Exclude the affected Participant from the Award Process.
- 4.3.4 Participants seeking an exemption must demonstrate to TCRA that, measures have been put in place to ensure no Confidential Information is shared between Participants. TCRA may take appropriate actions to verify that such measures exist and are effective. Further TCRA may, at its sole discretion, grant an exemption from the Rules relating to common persons or entities with access to Confidential Information.
- 4.3.5 If TCRA does not grant an exemption and Participant do not take adequate steps to rectify the situation to the satisfaction of TCRA, then the Participant will be excluded from further participation in the Award Process. If the commonality is identified later in the Award Process TCRA may take whatever action it deems necessary to ensure the integrity of the Award Process.
- 4.3.6 If it is not possible to rectify the situation by the deadline set by TCRA and an exemption has not been granted, then one or more of the Participant may withdraw from the Award Process prior to the deadline so that it is not necessary for TCRA to exclude all affected Participants.

4.4 Award Process Rules

Specific Rules relating to Participant conduct are described in this Section along with the sanctions, which may, at the discretion of TCRA, be applied to those found to be in breach of the Rules.

4.4.1 Participant Conduct

- (i) Participant must provide a list of such entities or persons as described in Section 4.3.1 of this Information Memorandum in their application and must notify TCRA in writing of any change to the list at most three
 (3) days before the auction date.
- (ii) Participants with common directors or employees should take all reasonable measures to identify any director or employee that is connected to more than one Participant. Participants must take all appropriate measures to ensure that common directors or employees do not result in a breach of the Rules relating to Participant's conduct.
- (iii) Participants must refrain from any activity which may compromise the integrity of the Award Process. Such activities may include but not limited to:
 - (a) Submitting false or misleading information as part of its application or failing to update TCRA in a timely manner in relation to any material change to information provided as part of the Application Process;
 - (b) Communicating Confidential Information to any other Participants either by making such information public or by communicating such information directly or indirectly via an intermediary to another Participant and/or seeking to obtain Confidential Information in relation to any other Participant;
 - (c) Communicating with other Participants or undertaking any activity with the intention or effect of colluding or coordinating bidding activity within the Award Process in a manner which is

- likely to distort the outcome of the Award Process or damage the integrity of the Process;
- (d) Entering into agreements with other Participants in relation to the Award Process or subsequent use of any Licence which may be granted as a result of the Award Process;
- (e) Seeking to communicate directly or indirectly with TCRA or any of its employees or advisers in relation to the Award Process other than by the mechanisms described in the Information Memorandum; and
- (f) Any other activities that may lead to the breach of the Award Process.
- (iv) Participant must notify TCRA as soon as reasonably practicable if it has evidence or has reasonable grounds to believe that it or another Participant has, may have and/or intended to breach any Rules relating to the Award Process.

4.4.2 Sanctions

- (i) If a Participant is found to be in breach of the Award Process Rules TCRA may, at its sole discretion, apply a sanction to that Participant. Potential sanctions include, but not limited to:
 - (a) Exclusion from the Award Process;
 - (b) Forfeiture of the Bank Guarantee; and
- (ii) Suspension or revocation of the Participant's Licence assigned under the Award Process.
- (iii) TCRA may also seek remedies under Section 45 of the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority Act, CAP 172 for the breach of Award Process Rules.
- (iv) If a breach of the Award Process Rules occurred due to the actions of other entities and persons apart from the Participants, then TCRA may at its sole discretion waive or limit the application of sanctions.

- (v) The waiver to application of sanction, may apply if it can be proved that:
 - (a) the breach occurred without the Participant's knowledge;
 - (b) the Participant had taken all reasonable steps to avoid the breach; and
 - (c) the breach has not materially damaged the integrity of the Award Process.
- 4.4.3 These Award Process Rules are applicable from the date of publication of the draft Information Memorandum for Consultation to the date at which TCRA publicly announces the Grant of Licences.

5. The Award Process

5.1 Award Process Overview

This Section provides a detailed overview of the Award Process from the Application Stage to the Grant of Licence as shown in Figure 2.

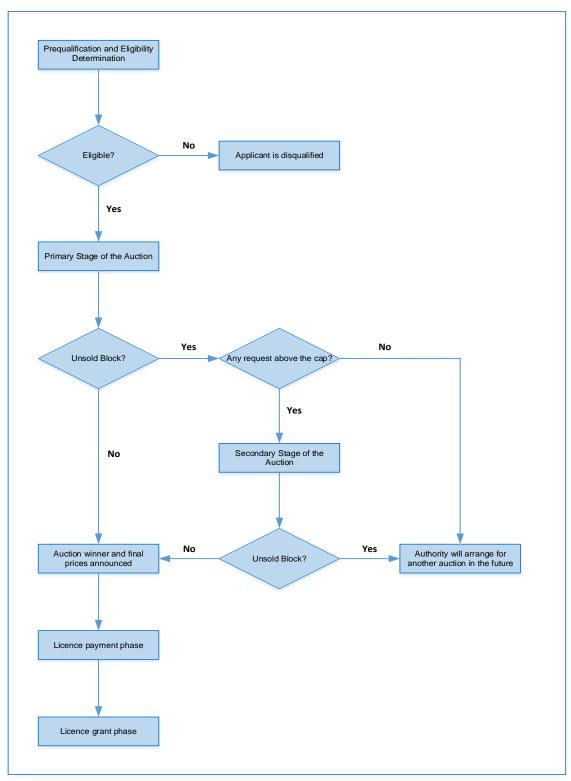


Figure 2: Award Process

5.2 Information Memorandum Publication

5.2.1 The Information Memorandum, any updates and additional information will be published on the TCRA website (www.tcra.go.tz).

5.3 Application Process

Detailed instructions for the Application Process are described in Chapter 7. Applicants are required to complete all the following tasks by the Application Deadline:

- (i) Fill the Application Form provided in **Annex B**;
- (ii) Provide the requested information;
- (iii) Pay non-refundable Application Fee of TZS 2,500,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Only);
- (iv) Provide the Bank Guarantee of TZS 3,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Three Billion Only);
- (v) Provide irrevocable Power of Attorney indicating personnel participating the auction on behalf of the Applicant; and
- (vi) Sign the Declaration provided in **Annex D**.

5.4 Qualification Process

- 5.4.1 The information provided by the Applicants will first be reviewed for compliance with the information requirements of the Application Process.
- 5.4.2 The following are compliance criteria: -
 - (i) Applicants who have adhered to the requirements of the Application Process will be deemed compliant.
 - (ii) Applicants who have provided an appropriate Bank Guarantee will be deemed compliant.
 - (iii) Applicants who have paid the Application Fee will be deemed compliant.
 - (iv) Applicants who have provided an irrevocable Power of Attorney will be deemed compliant.

- 5.4.3 TCRA may notify Applicants who have provided incomplete, incorrect or inadequate information within three days after the Application Deadline. Applicants will be given three days to revise and resubmit their application.
- 5.4.4 Non-compliant Applicant will be disqualified and will not be permitted to participate in any further stages of the Award Process.
- 5.4.5 Following the review of Qualification Criteria, Applicants who have met the criteria will be notified individually that they are eligible Bidders in the Award Process. Applicants who have not met the criteria will also be notified. The notification will be issued within seven (7) days from the Application Deadline.
- 5.4.6 If, at any time during the Award Process an Applicant is found to have submitted information which is materially incomplete or incorrect; TCRA at its sole discretion, will take whatever appropriate measures to terminate the Applicant's participation in the Award Process or nullify the results of the Award Process.

5.5 Auction Approaches

5.5.1 The Single Sealed Bid First Price auction format will be used to determine the number of Generic Blocks to be assigned to each Successful Bidder. The bidder will be required to indicate bid price willing to pay per block. Following the conclusion of Primary Stage of the Auction, if there are any unsold Blocks, and there are Bidders who have indicated the need for additional Block above the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then the Block(s) will be considered for the Secondary Stage of the Auction. On completion of the Primary and Secondary stage of the auction, the Successful Bidders will go to the Assignment Stage to determine which specific Blocks they receive. The Assignment stage will be administered by TCRA.

- 5.5.2 The Auction formats are as follows:
 - (i) Primary stage of the auction: Single Sealed Bid First Price.
 - (ii) Secondary stage of the auction as described in Chapter 6: unsold Blocks after the Primary Stage of the auction will be awarded to Bidders who participated in the Primary Stage of the auction and indicated the need for additional Block beyond the spectrum cap as specified in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum. Highest Bidder will be awarded first the additional Block.
 - (iii) Assignment Stage: this will be administered by TCRA.

5.6 Communication Protocols

- 5.6.1 All communications in relation to the Award Process will be in English language.
- 5.6.2 TCRA will publish all relevant information, documents and updates in TCRA website, www.tcra.go.tz. Applicants and Bidders will be notified when new information is available on the website.

5.7 Notification and Publication of Results

- 5.7.1 TCRA will notify the successful Bidder on the same date after the Assignment Stage has been concluded. The notification will specify:
 - (i) The specific Blocks that have been awarded to the Bidder;
 - (ii) The total Auction Price that the Bidder is required to pay; and
 - (iii) The deadline by which payment must be made in full or instalments as per payment schedule.
- 5.7.2 The Award Process Results will be published on TCRA website and by other means of a public announcement such as social media and newspaper. The announcement will contain the following information:-
 - (i) The number of Bidders that participated in the Award Process;
 - (ii) The identity of the Successful Bidders;
 - (iii) The spectrum assigned to each Successful Bidder; and

- (iv) The bid price by each Bidder and the total amount of the Auction proceeds.
- 5.7.3 Participants in the Award Process must not announce or publish information pertaining to the Award Process until after TCRA has made the results public.

5.8 Payment and Bank Guarantee

- 5.8.1 Bidders are required to make payment in full or in instalments in accordance with the Results Notification issued by TCRA.
- 5.8.2 All payments shall be made in Tanzanian Shillings through Government payment control number that will be provided by TCRA.
- 5.8.3 In case of non-payment, delayed or incomplete payment, TCRA has the right to demand the payment under the submitted Bank Guarantee.
- 5.8.4 The Bank Guarantee is returned to the Bidder within seven (7) days in the following circumstances:
 - (i) The Applicant was not confirmed as a Bidder;
 - (ii) The Award Process has been completed and the Bidder was not assigned any Blocks; or
 - (iii) The Award Process has been completed, and the Bidder has paid in full or first instalment of the Price for the won Block(s).

5.9 Granting of Licences

5.9.1 TCRA expects to grant Successful Bidders Radio Frequency Spectrum User Licences within three days after the confirmation of the payment made in full or first instalment.

5.10 Default and Return of the Licences

- 5.10.1 TCRA shall revoke the licence, if a Successful Bidder fails to make a full or part payment of the Auction Price by the Payment Deadlines.
- 5.10.2 A Licensee may at any time return a Licence. However, the Auction Price paid and any other payments relating to the Licence will not be refunded.
- 5.10.3 If a Licence is revoked, the Auction Price paid and any other payments relating thereto will not be refunded.

5.11 Timings

The timings for the key stages of the Award Process are shown in Table 2. The timings are based on the assignment of spectrum via the Auction Stage.

Table 1: Award Process Timetable

S/N	PROCESS STEP	DATE
1.	Publication of Draft Information Memorandum	03/02/2025
2.	Start of Comments and Questions submission	03/02/2025
3.	Deadline for submission of Comments and Questions	23/04/2025
4.	Publication of response to Comments and Questions	21/05/2025
5.	Publication of Information Memorandum	02/06/2025
6.	Start of Application Window	02/06/2025
7.	Application Deadline	27/06/2025
8.	Confirmation of Bidders	04/07/2025
9.	Auction Date and Award of Spectrum	10/07/2025
10.	Publication of Auction Results	10/07/2025
11.	Payment Deadline for 1 st Instalment	24/07/2025
12.	Grant of Licences	28/07/2025
13.	Payment Deadline for 2 nd Instalment	08/01/2026
14.	Payment Deadline for 3 rd Instalment	08/07/2026
15.	Payment Deadline for 4 th Instalment	08/01/2027
16.	Payment Deadline for 5 th Instalment	08/07/2027

6. Detailed Auction Description

6.1 Auction Process Overview

6.1.1 The Spectrum Auction Process will consist of four (4) stages: -

(i) Primary Stage of the Spectrum Auction

The objective of this stage is to determine the number of contiguous, generic Block(s) won by each of the successful Bidders, hereinafter referred to as "Auction Winners".

(ii) Secondary Stage of the Spectrum Auction

The objective of this stage is to award the unsold Blocks to winners who have indicated in irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form the intention to acquire Additional Spectrum Block above the specified cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum.

(iii) Assignment Stage

The objective of this stage is to assign to Auction Winners where possible, an appropriate number of specific, contiguous spectrum Blocks corresponding to the number of generic Block(s) won during the Primary and Secondary Stages of the Spectrum Auction. This stage will be administered by TCRA.

(iv) Licensing Stage

The objective of this stage is to grant Spectrum User Licences to Auction Winners.

- 6.1.2 The Auction Stage will be based on a Single Sealed Bid Auction First Price.
- 6.1.3 Bidders will compete in auction process as shown in Figure 3.

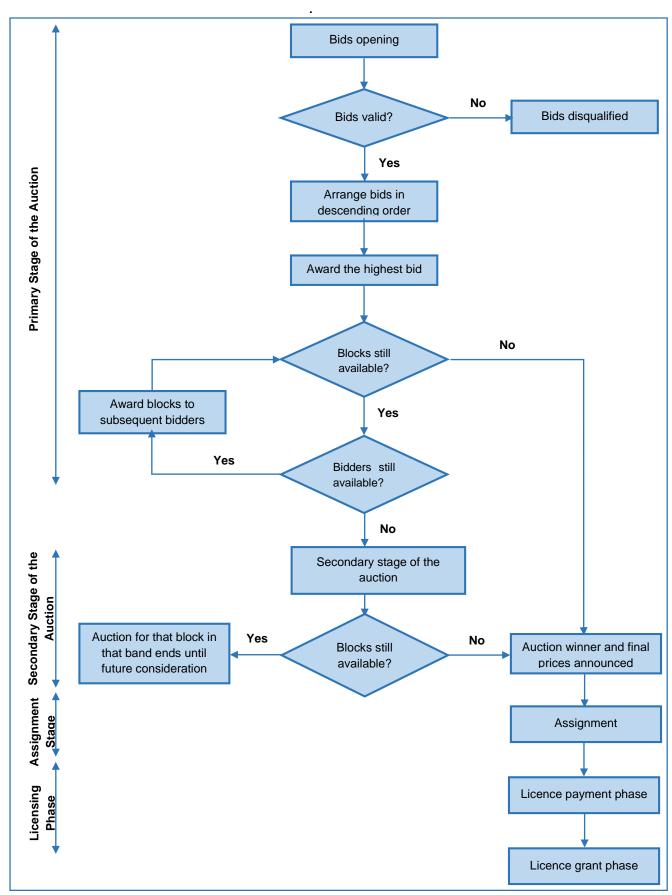


Figure 3: Flow chart indicating the Auction Process

- 6.1.4 Following the submission of all bids during the Primary Stage of the Spectrum Auction:
 - (i) TCRA will open all bids in the presence of all eligible Bidders;
 - (ii) TCRA will arrange the bidding price in descending order (i.e., starting from the highest to the lowest quote);
 - (iii) TCRA will start awarding the Block(s) to the highest Bidder and then to subsequent Bidder(s) subject to availability of Block(s);
 - (iv) In a situation where the number of remained/available Block(s) is less than that is requested in the irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form, the Bidder shall pay for the available Block.
- 6.1.5 If the Primary Stage of the Spectrum Auction results in unsold Blocks and there are Bidders who have indicated the need for additional Block above the specified cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then the Secondary Stage of the Auction will be conducted.
- 6.1.6 Each Auction Winner shall pay its bid (First Price) and acquires the number of Block(s) associated with its winning bid. The price for each Block in a particular band will be the same regardless of number of Blocks won. For example, if the bidder "A" bids for two Blocks in 3600-3800 MHz band, will pay the same price for both Blocks i.e., 2×Bid price/Block.
- 6.1.7 Specific Block(s) are then allocated as per the Assignment Stage described in Section 6.6 of this Information Memorandum.

6.2 The Auction Details

6.2.1 Date and Time of Auction

The Auction will be conducted on **10**th **July 2025** from **10:00 am** East African Time (**EAT**). This session will involve spectrum auction of available Blocks in 3600-3800 MHz band. Bidders are required to be present at Mawasiliano Towers, 2nd Floor, Room number 206 by **09:45 am EAT** and the room will be closed for bidders at **10:00** am **EAT**.

6.2.2 Application Phase

- (i) All Bidders will be required to complete the Application Form provided in Annex B of this Information Memorandum and provide the required information in the Application Form. The deadline for submission of this form is 27th June 2025.
- (ii) The Bank Guarantee will be TZS 3,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Three Billion Only) for each Bidder to participate in the auction. The Bank Guarantee should be valid for at least thirty (30) days from the date of Spectrum Auction.
- (iii) The Bank Guarantee shall be submitted together with the Application Form.

6.2.3 Eligibility/Qualification Assessment Phase

- (i) TCRA will review the submitted Application Forms to ascertain whether or not each Applicant complies with all the requirements. Where an application is incomplete, TCRA may, but is not required to, ask the Applicant to provide any missing information or additional documentation.
- (ii) Applicants will be informed as per timetable provided in this Information Memorandum whether they have complied to participate the spectrum auction or not. Only confirmed Bidders will be allowed to participate in the spectrum auction.

6.2.4 **Submission of Bids**

- (i) Bidders shall place their bids through an irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form provided in **Annex C** of this Information Memorandum.
- (ii) Bidders shall indicate the bid price per Block (in two decimal places) and number of Block(s) they wish to acquire in the irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form. In an event decimal places are not specified, default will be two decimal places with zero values (.00).

- (iii) Applicants are subject to the spectrum cap as detailed in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum. In case of bidding above the cap for primary stage of the auction, the maximum cap of the primary stage of the auction will be taken as a default value. Therefore, the number of Blocks specified by the bidder in the bid form will be reduced to align with the maximum cap allowed for the bidder.
- (iv) The Bidder shall submit an irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form, signed and stamped on the Auction Date. Bids submitted outside the indicated date and time shall not be accepted.

6.2.5 Bids Opening Phase

- (i) All Bidders will be required to be physically present as per submitted irrevocable power of attorney during the auction.
- (ii) TCRA shall open all bids in the presence of all Bidders.
- (iii) A bid will be disqualified right-out and the Bidder will be removed from the room if:
 - (a) The bid is below the Reserve Price; or
 - (b) The Sealed Bid Form is not duly filled, stamped, dated and signed by authorised personnel.
- (iv) TCRA will arrange the bidding price in descending order (i.e., starting from the highest quote to the lowest).
- (v) In a situation where there is a common value for the bids, TCRA will arrange the bidding prices based on alphabetical order (from A to Z) of the Bidders to break the tie.
- (vi) TCRA will start awarding the Block(s) to the highest Bidder and then to subsequent Bidder subject to availability of Block(s).

- (vii) In a situation where the number of remained/available Block(s) is less than that applied in the Sealed-Bid Form, the Bidder shall pay for the available Block.
- (viii) In a situation where there are unsold Block(s) after Primary Stage of the auction, and there are Bidders who have indicated the need of additional Block above the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then the unsold Block will be considered for the Secondary Stage of the Auction.

6.3 Auction Winners for the 3600-3800 MHz Blocks and the final auction price

The awarding process may undergo up to four (4) steps depending on the number of requested Block(s).

- (i) STEP 1: TCRA will first award the spectrum to the highest Bidder.
 - (a) If the Bidder had indicated to require two (2) Blocks as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum then two (2) Blocks will remain, and the award will proceed to STEP 2.
 - (b) If the Bidder had indicated to require one (1) Block as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum then three (3) Blocks will remain, and the award will proceed to STEP 2.
- (ii) STEP 2: TCRA will award the remaining Block(s) to the second highest Bidder.
 - **Scenario 1:** Three (3) Blocks remained as a result of one (1) Block taken by the highest Bidder.
 - (a) If the **second** highest Bidder had indicated to require two (2) Blocks as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section

2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then one (1) Block will remain and the award will proceed to STEP 3.

(b) If the **second** highest Bidder had indicated to require one (1) Block as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then two (2) Blocks will remain and the award will proceed to STEP 3.

Scenario 2: Two (2) Blocks remained as a result of two (2) Blocks taken by the highest Bidder.

- (a) If the **second** highest Bidder had indicated to require two (2) Blocks as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, the award ends here.
- (b) If the **second** highest Bidder had indicated to require one (1) Block as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then one (1) Block will remain and the award will proceed to STEP 3.
- (iii) STEP 3: TCRA will award the remaining Block(s) to the third highest Bidder.

Scenario 1: One (1) Block remained as a result of two (2) Blocks taken by the second highest Bidder.

(a) The third highest Bidder will be awarded the remaining Block subject to compliance with the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum and the award ends at this stage.

Scenario 2: Two (2) Blocks remained as a result of one (1) Block taken by the second highest Bidder.

- (a) If the third highest Bidder had indicated to require two (2) Blocks as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then the award ends here.
- (b) If the third highest Bidder had indicated to require one (1) Block as per Sealed-Bid Form and complied with spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then one (1) Block will remain and the award proceeds to STEP 4.
- (iv) STEP 4: TCRA award the remaining Block to the fourth highest Bidder.
 - (a) The fourth highest Bidder will be awarded the remaining Block subject to compliance with the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum and the award ends at this step.
- (v) If STEP 1, STEP 2, STEP 3 and STEP 4 end with unsold Block(s), and if there are Bidders who have indicated the need for additional Block(s) above the spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, then the unsold Block(s) will be considered for the Secondary Stage of the Spectrum Auction.

6.4 Secondary Stage of the Auction

- 6.4.1 Secondary Stage of the auction is intended to award the unsold Block(s) to winners who indicated intention to acquire additional spectrum Block above the specified spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum.
- 6.4.2 If in this band, there will be more than one Bidder who have indicated to have additional spectrum above the specified spectrum cap in Section 2.2 of this Information Memorandum, the available unsold Block will be awarded first to Bidder with highest bid.

6.5 Unsold Block(s) after the auction

6.5.1 If there is an unassigned spectrum Block(s) in this band after primary and secondary stages of the auction, **TCRA will arrange for another spectrum auction in the future**.

6.6 Assignment Stage

- 6.6.1 The objective of this stage is to assign to Successful Bidders appropriate number of specific spectrum Block(s) corresponding to the number of Generic Block(s) won during the Auction Stage.
- 6.6.2 The Assignment Stage will be conducted on the same day during the auction session.
- 6.6.3 Assignment Stage will be administered by TCRA.
- 6.6.4 Assignment will be made to ensure as much as practically possible that Successful Bidders obtain contiguous Block(s) in the frequency band 3600 3800 MHz.

6.7 Licensing Stage

- 6.7.1 Auction winners will pay the Spectrum Auction Price in full or five instalments as described in Section 3.4 of this Information Memorandum.
- 6.7.2 TCRA will grant licence to auction winners after verification of payment.

7. Application Instructions

7.1 Application Procedure and Deadline

- 7.1.1 The Application must contain:
 - (i) Two hard copies of the Application Information listed in Section 7.2 of this Information Memorandum.
 - (ii) A completed copy of the Application Checklist provided in **Annex F**.
- 7.1.2 The Application documents must be delivered in a sealed package and marked only with the words "APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE AUCTION OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM IN IMT BAND (3600-3800 MHz), 2025" and addressed to:

Director General,

Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority,

8th Floor Mawasiliano Towers,

20 Sam Nujoma Road,

P.O Box 474,

14414 DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA.

- 7.1.3 The Application Deadline is **04:00 pm EAT** on **27th June 2025**.
- 7.1.4 Applications must be delivered by licensed courier.
- 7.1.5 All received Applications will be dated and stamped by TCRA.
- 7.1.6 TCRA will not accept any Application submitted after the Application Deadline.
- 7.1.7 The received Applications shall not be opened by TCRA before **04:00 pm EAT** on the closing date (**27**th **June 2025**).
- 7.1.8 Applicants are subject to an enduring obligation to inform TCRA of any material change in their circumstances which affect the information provided in the Application Process. Participants are required to update TCRA on any changes related to the submitted information at most three (3) days before the auction date.

7.2 General Information

- 7.2.1 Duly filled and signed Application Form as provided in **Annex B**.
- 7.2.2 Appropriate evidence that the two persons signing the Application Form are duly authorised by the Applicant to do so. Appropriate evidence shall include:
 - (i) A board resolution from the Applicant; and
 - (ii) An irrevocable Power of Attorney.
- 7.2.3 Appropriate evidence that at most three persons who will participate in the auction on behalf of the Applicant ("Authorised Agents") are duly authorised by the Applicant to do so. Appropriate evidence shall include:
 - (i) A board resolution from the Applicant; and
 - (ii) An irrevocable Power of Attorney.
- 7.2.4 The completed and signed declaration to abide by the rules of the Award Process, including restrictions on Confidential Information and Applicant Conduct, as provided in **Annex D**.
- 7.2.5 Proof of payment of the Application Fee of TZS 2,500,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Only). This shall be paid through Government control number issued by TCRA upon request by the Applicant.
- 7.2.6 TCRA reserves the right to request any further information in relation to this Award Process, at its sole discretion, to determine whether the Applicant's participation complies with the Laws of the United Republic of Tanzania, is aligned with TCRA's policy objectives, and complies with the Rules of the Award Process.
- 7.2.7 The Bank Guarantee for each bidder to participate in this spectrum Auction is TZS 3,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Three Billion Only).

ANNEXES

Annex A. Glossary of Key Terms

1st price rule: In a 1st price sealed bid auction, Bidders place their bids in an envelope and the highest Bidder wins and pays the amount of their highest bid.

Administrative regions: Are defined as per President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG) in Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar.

Annual Administrative Spectrum Fees: Annual Fees which a Successful Bidder must pay in respect of spectrum rights of use assigned in the Award Process.

Applicant: An entity that submits an Application to TCRA to participate in the Award Process.

Application Deadline: The date by which Applicants must submit an Application to participate in the Award Process together with the required monetary deposit and supporting documentation.

Application Form: The Application Form as set out in Annex B of this document, to be delivered as part of an Application as set out in Chapter 7 of the Information Memorandum.

Application Process: The stage of the Award Process described in Section 5.1 of the Information Memorandum, which runs from the day on which the Information Memorandum is published up to and including the Application Date.

Application: The Application to participate in the Award Process made by an Applicant. A valid Application is a binding commitment to pay at least the Reserve Price for the number of Blocks applied for.

Assignment Stage: The auction procedure to determine the Specific Blocks assigned to Successful Bidders for Generic Block(s).

Auction Date/Date of Auction: Means 10th July, 2025 which is the auction day for 3600-3800 MHz band.

Authorised Agent: A person who the Applicant has notified to TCRA is entitled to bind an Applicant contractually in relation to the Award Process.

Authority: Refers to Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority.

Award Process: The overall process through which it is intended that rights of use of spectrum will be granted in the event that at least one Applicant submits a valid Application for at least one Block at the stated Reserve Price.

Award Process Rules: Rules, procedures and obligations relating to the Award Process.

Band: The 3600-3800 MHz

Bank Guarantee: A guarantee from a reputable bank ensuring the liabilities of the debtor will be met.

Bid: A binding offer to buy a Block or Blocks for a specific monetary amount.

Bidder: An Applicant that has submitted a compliant Application and which has met the Qualification Criteria.

Block(s): Individual items available for auction.

Common value: The bid price value of an auction Block which is the same for Bidders.

EPOCA: The Electronic and Postal Communication Act Chapter 306.

Generic Block: A Block containing Blocks that can be bid for by any Bidder that do not relate to specific frequency ranges. Bidders when placing a bid for a generic Block do not know the specific position of the Block in the frequency range.

IMT: International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) is the generic term used to designate broadband mobile systems. It encompasses IMT-2000, IMT- Advanced and IMT-2020 collectively.

Information Memorandum: This Information Memorandum including all of the Annexes and Schedules hereto.

Primary Stage of the Auction: This stage is to award the available Blocks to winners who have indicated in irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form the intention to acquire those spectrum Blocks within the specified spectrum cap in respective band.

Reputable Banks: Are all Banks registered by the Bank of Tanzania and operating within the United Republic of Tanzania.

Reserve prices: The minimum price at which a Block may be sold.

Secondary Stage of the Auction: This stage is to award the unsold Blocks to winners who have indicated in irrevocable Sealed-Bid Form the intention to acquire additional spectrum Block above the specified cap in the Primary Stage of the Auction.

Spectrum Auction Price: Auction winning price for a given Block.

Successful Bidder: Means Auction Winner

Annex B. Application Form for Band 3600-3800 MHz

Name of Applicant	
Full Address	
Contact person	NameAddress
	Email Telephone
Name and position of the 2 persons signing the Application Form	Person 1 Name Position Person 2 Name Position Position
Authorised persons (3) who will be responsible for bidding and present during the auction.	Person 1 Name Identity card no (National ID No. or Passport) Address Email Telephone Person 2 Name Identity card no (National ID No. or Passport)

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	Address
	Email
	Telephone
	Person 3
	Name
	Identity card no (National ID No. or Passport)
	Address
	Email
	Telephone
Authorised signatures	Person 1
	Signed
	Date
	Person 2
	Signed
	Date
Company Stamp:	

Date: _____

Annex C. Sealed-Bid Form for Band 3600-3800 MHz

Name of Applicant:

STATEMENT OF SPECTRUM THE APPLICANT INTENDS TO BID IN THE AUCTION OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM IN IMT BAND

- 1. State your bid price per Block in Column A.
- State, in Column B of Table below, the total number of Block(s) for which you are interested to acquire for 3600-3800 MHz band (TDD), you can only enter a number 1 or 2 taking into consideration the spectrum cap specified in Section 2.2 of the Information Memorandum.
- 3. Then fill out the total Bid Price in Column C.
- 4. Column D of the table is optional and can be filled by applicant who wishes to acquire additional Block(s) in the 3600-3800 MHz band but are limited by spectrum cap as specified in Section 2.2 of the Information Memorandum.
- 5. Information in Column A to C will be used during the primary stage of the auction and Column D will be used should the auction proceed to secondary stage.

	Α	В	С	D
	Biding Price	Number of	Total Price based on	Number of
	(TZS) per Block	Blocks	total demand	additional
			(TZS)* (A×B)	Blocks beyond
				the cap
In figures				
In words				

I declare and irrevocably commit that the Applicant Company will pay for the Block(s) set out in the above Table at the Bid Price, if awarded such spectrum.

In addition to the above declaration and commitment, I declare and irrevocably commit that the Applicant Company shall pay for the spectrum Block(s) subject to payment options at the end of the Auction, for which it is declared Provisional Winner.

I solemnly declare that the number of stated spectrum Blocks in this Application binds the Applicant Company to pay for this amount of spectrum at the Bid Price for each spectrum Block stated in the above table if awarded such spectrum in this Spectrum Auction.

Date:
Name of Authorized Representative:
Signature of Authorized Representative:
Company Stamp:

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Annex E. Bank Guarantee

Bank Guarantee

TO: The Director General,

Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority,

Mawasiliano Towers,

20 Sam Nujoma Road,

P.O Box 474,

14414 DAR ES SALAAM

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BANK GUARANTEE FOR 3600-3800 MHz SPECTRUM AUCTION 2025

According to the payment provision included in the Information Memorandum for
Spectrum Auction of 3600-3800 MHz,
(name and
address of Applicant) hereinafter called ''the Bidder or Applicant'' shall deposit with the
Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (the Authority) a Bank Guarantee to
guarantee its proper and faithful participation in the Auction in the amount of TZS
3,000,000,000.00 (Tanzanian Shillings Three Billion Only) (amount of guarantee in
figures and words).
We, the (Bank), as instructed by the Bidder, agree unconditionally and irrevocably to
guarantee as primary obligatory and not as surety merely, the payment to the Authority
on its first demand without whatsoever right of objection on our part and without its
first claim to the Bidder, in the amount not exceeding
(amount of guarantee in figures and words).
We further agree, confirm and guarantee that no change or addition to, or other

modification of the terms of the Information Memorandum thereunder or of any documents which may be made between the Authority and the Bidder, shall in any

way release us from any liability under this guarantee, and we hereby waive notice of any such change, addition, or modification.

This guarantee shall remain valid for at least thirty (30) days from the auction date, subject to any extension which may be endorsed by the Authority in lieu.

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(Name of the Bank)		
(Address)		
(Date)		

Signature and Seal of the Guarantors

Annex F. Application Checklist

Tick the boxes to ensure that all the required information is included in your application.

A complete application must consist of the following:

1.	Duly filled and signed application form (Annex B)		
2.	Duly filled and signed Bank Guarantee (Annex E)		
3.	Evidence of authorisation to sign the application form (Power of Attorney and Board Resolution)		
4.	Evidence of authorisation to bid on behalf of the applicant (Power of Attorney and Board Resolution)		
5.	Signed Declaration (Annex D)		
6.	Proof of payment of the application fee		
7.	Attach certified copy of National Identity Card issued by NIDA or Passport		
8.	Completed Checklist		

Annex G. Draft Licence 3600-3800 MHz

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THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY ISO 9001:2015 CERTIFIED



LICENCE GRANTED UNDER

THE ELECTRONIC AND POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS ACT, CHAPTER 306
OF THE LAWS OF TANZANIA

AND

THE TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY ACT,
CHAPTER 172 OF THE LAWS OF TANZANIA

BY THE TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY
TO

FOR

THE USE OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM RESOURCE IN THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

DATE: JULY, 2025

1.0 <u>DEFINITION</u>

In this licence, unless stated otherwise or the context otherwise requires: -

- 1.1 "Acts" means the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority Act, Chapter 172 of the Laws of Tanzania, and the Electronic and Postal Communications Act, Chapter 306 of the Laws of Tanzania;
- 1.2 **"Authority**" means the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority;
- 1.3 "Licence" means authority to use radio frequency spectrum resource and operate radio station(s);
- 1.4 "Licensee" means

2.0 SCOPE OF THE LICENCE

- 2.1 The Authority hereby grants a licence to in accordance with Section 6 of the Tanzania Communications Regulatory Act, Chapter 172 of the Laws of Tanzania and Sections 4, 71 and 72 of the Electronic and Postal Communications Act Chapter 306 of the Laws of Tanzania.
- 2.2 This licence authorises the Licensee to use 3600-3800 MHz radio frequency spectrum resource herewith assigned with specifications as contained in the Appendix Radio Frequency Assignment Specifications.

3.0 DURATION, FEE AND RENEWAL OF THE LICENCE

- 3.1 The term of this Licence shall be 15 years from the issuance date;
- 3.2 The Licensee shall pay the **Spectrum Auction Price** based on the Blocks won as follows:

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- (i) 40% of the Auction Price within **fourteen (14) days** from the date of auction;
- (ii) 15% of the Auction Price within **six (6) months** from the date of auction;
- (iii) 15% of the Auction Price within **twelve (12) months** from the date of auction; and
- (iv) 15% of the Auction Price within **eighteen (18) months** from the date of auction.
- (v) 15% of the Auction Price within **twenty four (24) months** from the date of auction.
- 3.3 The Licensee shall pay the Authority Annual administrative spectrum fees of Tanzanian Shillings Ten Million (TZS 10,000,000.00) per 1 MHz bandwidth which may be reviewed periodically to reflect spectrum management costs of the Authority.
- 3.4 The validity of this Licence shall be subject to payment of annual spectrum administrative fee as stated in 3.3.
- 3.5 This licence shall terminate upon expiry of the licence term.
- 3.6 On expiry the licence may be renewed in favour of the licensee subject to efficiency, market competition, technological developments, and the licensee's compliance to the licence conditions; and
- 3.7 Upon renewal the spectrum shall be subjected to payment of annual usage licence fees.

4.0 COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW

The Licensee shall comply with the provision of the Acts and other laws of the United Republic of Tanzania.

5.0 COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Notwithstanding the Licensee's compliance to regulatory requirements provided under the Acts and Regulations, the licensee shall comply with the following conditions: -

- 5.1 ensure efficient usage of radio frequency spectrum resource;
- 5.2 ensure avoidance to harmful interference at all times;
- 5.3 maintain the geographical presence as follows: -
 - (i) At least six (6) different administrative regions of the United Republic of Tanzania by 2028;
 - (ii) All headquarters of administrative regions by the end of 2033.
- 5.4 meet the Quality of Service requirements as set out in the Quality of Service Regulations;
- 5.5 meet coverage and quality of service obligations stated in 5.3 and 5.4 through any technology or combination of spectrum bands to which the Licensee has the rights of use;

6.0 INDEMNITY

The Licensee shall indemnify the Authority against any claims or proceedings arising from any breach or failings on the part of the Licensee in relation to this licence.

7.0 SAFETY MEASURES

The Licensee shall in respect of services operated, maintained or offered under this licence take all proper and adequate safety measures to safeguard life or property, including exposure to any electrical emission or radiations emanating from equipment or installation from such operations.

DIRECTOR GENERAL
TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY

IN THE PRESENCE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD

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APPENDIX

RADIO	FREQUEN	CY ASSIGN	IMENT SPEC	CIFICATIONS	
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WIRELESS ACCESS FREQUENCIES

S/NO.	TRANSMISSION SYSTEM	FREQUENCY BAND (MHz)	CHANNEL BANDWIDTH ASSIGNED (MHz)	ASSIGNED FREQUENCIES (MHz)
1	Wireless Access	3600	200	3600 – 3800



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