



REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY

2024 BUDGET POLICY STATEMENT

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CHAIRPERSON,

LET ME THANK YOU FOR ACCORDING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT BEFORE THIS AUGUST HOUSE A POLICY STATEMENT ON THE 2024 BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR HEAD 15- MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY.

CHAIRPERSON,

THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY IS MANDATED TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN INTERNAL SECURITY IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PEOPLE OF ZAMBIA. THE MANDATE OF THE MINISTRY IS DISCHARGED THROUGH VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND SPECIALISED AGENCIES NAMELY: ZAMBIA POLICE SERVICE; ZAMBIA CORRECTIONAL SERVICE; DRUG ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION; DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION; DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REGISTRATION, PASSPORT AND CITIZENSHIP; NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF ZAMBIA; COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES; REGISTRAR OF SOCIETIES; NATIONAL FORENSIC AUTHORITY; OFFICE OF THE STATE FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST; NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE AND BIOMETRICS DEPARTMENT; NATIONAL ANTI-TERRORISM CENTRE, THE POLICE PUBLIC COMPLAINTS COMMISSION; HUMAN RESOURCES AND ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE; AUDIT DEPARTMENT; INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT AND RESEARCH AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

PAST BUDGET PERFORMANCE

CHAIRPERSON,

I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THAT THE OVERALL MEDIUM-TERM BUDGET PLAN AND THE FIRST HALF OF 2023 PERFORMANCE OF THE MINISTRY WAS SATISFACTORY. THE DEMAND FOR THE SERVICES OF THE MINISTRY REMAINS HIGH.

TO ENHANCE SECURITY IN GENERAL AND REDUCE IDENTITY FRAUD IN PARTICULAR, THE MINISTRY HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTING THE INTEGRATED NATIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION SYSTEM (INRIS). THE OPERATIONALISATION OF THE INTEGRATED NATIONAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION SYSTEM (INRIS) WILL ENABLE ISSUANCE OF BIOMETRIC NATIONAL REGISTRATION CARDS, BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES AND INTEGRATION OF OTHER IDENTITY INFORMATION SYSTEMS. DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW, THE MINISTRY DEPLOYED THE INRIS TO 79 DISTRICTS; (34 VIA GWAN AND 45 USING VPN).

THE DECENTRALIZED CERTIFICATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS WAS SCALED UP BY BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DISTRICTS PRINTING BIRTH CERTIFICATES TO 28. THIS INTERVENTION IS EXPECTED TO IMPROVE COVERAGE AND INCREASE ACCESS TO BIRTH AND DEATH REGISTRATION.

CHAIRPERSON,

THIS YEAR, THE FIRST EVER STATE OF THE ART FORENSIC DNA LABORATORY WAS COMMISSIONED IN LUSAKA WHICH

HAS SINCE COMMENCED ANALYZING CASEWORK SAMPLES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND OTHER STATE INSTITUTIONS.

CHAIRPERSON,

ON INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT, THE MINISTRY CURRENTLY HAS SIX ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN: -CHIKUNI, LITETA, BWEENGWA, KATETE, NYIMBA, MUKUNI AND MKUSHI. THE PROJECTS ARE PROGRESSING WELL AND FOR SOME PROJECTS, ALL NECESSARY MATERIALS HAVE BEEN PROCURED.

CHAIRPERSON,

TO IMPROVE THE POLICY AND LEGAL ENVIRONMENT, THE MINISTRY REVIEWED AND DEVELOPED POLICIES INCLUDING REVIEWING SOME PIECES OF LEGISLATION SUCH AS THE PUBLIC ORDER ACT, CAP 113 OF THE LAWS OF ZAMBIA, THE ANTI-TERRORISM AND NON-PROLIFERATION ACT NO. 6 OF 2018 AND THE ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACT NO. 11 OF 2008. THE POLICIES DEVELOPED INCLUDE THE MINISTERIAL HIV POLICY/AIDS AND WELLNESS POLICY; THE NATIONAL MIGRATION POLICY; THE CIVIL REGISTRATION AND VITAL STATISTICS POLICY; AND THE REFUGEES POLICY.

THE MINISTRY IS ALSO REVIEWING THE REGISTRAR OF SOCIETIES ACT, CAP 119 OF THE LAWS OF ZAMBIA; THE BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION ACT, CAP 51 OF THE

LAWS OF ZAMBIA; AND THE IMMIGRATION AND DEPORTATION ACT, CAP 18 OF THE LAWS OF ZAMBIA.

CHALLENGES FACED

CHAIRPERSON,

DESPITE THE ABOVE ACHIEVEMENTS, THE MINISTRY EXPERIENCED SOME CHALLENGES WHICH INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- i. LOW BUDGETARY ALLOCATION;
- ii. LOW STAFFING LEVELS WHICH WAS COMPOUNDED BY THE INCOMPLETE RESTRUCTURING EXERCISE OF THE MINISTRY;
- iii. INADEQUATE SPECIALISED AND MODERN EQUIPMENT;
- iv. INADEQUATE OFFICE SPACE IN PROVINCES AND DISTRICTS;
- v. INADEQUATE TRANSPORT FOR OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES;
- vi. INADEQUATE HOUSING UNITS FOR SECURITY WINGS;
- vii. INADEQUATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE AT PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT LEVELS;
AND
- viii. INADEQUATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE AT PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT LEVELS.

2024 POLICY FOCUS

CHAIRPERSON,

THE PRIORITY FOR HEAD 15- MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY IS TO ENSURE THAT CRIME PREVENTION AND DETECTION ARE ENHANCED. THE MINISTRY WILL THEREFORE, CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN PROGRAMMES TO FIGHT CRIME IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER. THE MINISTRY WILL FOCUS ON THE FOLLOWING: -

- i) PROMOTION OF A CONDUCTIVE LEGAL AND POLICY ENVIRONMENT TO ENABLE CITIZENS ENJOY FREEDOMS AND LIBERTIES BY REVIEWING AND DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION;
- ii) ENHANCING SERVICE DELIVERY AND PROMOTING NON-TAX REVENUE COLLECTION THROUGH THE USE OF ELECTRONIC PLATFORMS;
- iii) COMPLETION OF ONGOING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS; AND
- iv) PRIORITISING DISMANTLING OF ARREARS TO SUPPLIERS OF GOODS AND SERVICES.

CHAIRPERSON,

THE 2024 INDICATIVE EXPENDITURE ALLOCATION FOR THE MINISTRY (HEAD 15) IS **K548,773,625** OF WHICH **K116,339,909** IS FOR PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS AND **K432,433,716** HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR NON-PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS COMPARED TO THE 2023 CEILING OF

K425,056,151 OF WHICH **K102,890,908** WAS FOR PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS AND **K322,165,243** WAS FOR NON-PERSONAL EMOLUMENTS. THE OVERALL INCREASE IN THE 2024 BUDGET ALLOCATION IS K123,717,474 REPRESENTING 29 PERCENT INCREASE.

CHAIRPERSON,

THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY UNDER HEAD 15 WILL CONTINUE PURSUING THE SECURITY PRIORITIES AND TARGETS SET OUT IN THE EIGHTH NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (8NDP) AND WILL FULFIL ITS MANDATE THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF SIX (6) BUDGET PROGRAMMES NAMELY:

- i. LEGAL IDENTITY, CIVIL REGISTRATION AND CITIZENSHIP SERVICES– **K328,500,529;**
- ii. NATIONAL ARCHIVES SERVICES-**K 17,333,858;**
- iii. SOCIETIES REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS – **K4,556,992;**
- iv. INTERNAL SECURITY SUPPORT SERVICES – **K36,373,062;**
- v. FORENSIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT **K28,733,863;** AND
- vi. MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES- **K133,275,321.**

CHAIRPERSON,

I SEEK FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION FOR THE 2024 HEAD 15 BUDGET-MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND INTERNAL SECURITY.

CHAIRPERSON, I THANK YOU.