## **PUBLIC NOTICE**



## CONSTRUCTION OF THE BANK OF TANZANIA EXECUTIVE RESIDENCES

Bank of Tanzania Executive officers are entitled to official residence provided by the Bank. Initially the Bank used to have only two executive officers, the Governor and one Deputy Governor. The Governor was living at BOT house No. 387 Mahando Street and Deputy Governor at BOT house No. 43 Msese Road. As a result of the changes made in section 8 of the Bank of Tanzania Act, 2006, the Bank has now four Executives, the Governor and three Deputy Governors, for whom it is obliged to provide official accommodation.

In 2006, in advance of the presidential appointment of the current office bearers, the Bank decided to construct two additional executive accommodations, one on plot No. 12 Tumbawe Road and another on plot No. 57 Mtwara Crescent at Oysterbay, Dar es Salaam. A team of consultants led by M/S SKY Architects Consultants was engaged to provide schematic drawings that were reviewed by the Bank and two of these, one for each plot, were selected for detailed design stage. Each residence was designed to be a one storey building with five bedrooms, visitors lounge, family lounge, dining area and associated service rooms. The outbuildings include servant's quarter, car ports, swimming pool, boundary wall, security

systems and guard house. Services include power generator, central cooling system and water storage facilities while external works include landscaping and paved car park. The consultants then prepared bills of quantities and technical specification that were compiled to form tender documents ready for tender process. All procedures in line with procurement laws and regulation were adhered to, when determining the cost of each of the residences as well as in selecting contractors and sub contractors. Each residence was considered as an independent project and a separate tender process was carried out for each one.

## It is important for the public to know that, the planning and decision to have these houses constructed was done before Prof Benno Ndulu was appointed at the Bank of Tanzania.

Tenderers for works at plot No. 12 Tumbawe Street were invited using competitive open tender advertised on the Daily News of 26th February 2008. Interested contractors of class II and above were invited to apply for tender document and were instructed to pay non-refundable tender fee of Tshs 50,000/=. A total of 12 contractors applied and collected the tender documents, but only 10 submitted their bids before deadline, 25th March 2008. The received tenders were opened by BOT Tender Board and forwarded to Project Consultant via the Bank of Tanzania Estate Management Department for evaluation. Tender results read during tender opening ranged from the lowest tender price of 1,399,184,549.00 to price the highest Tshs 1,847,763,537.00. After tender evaluation, which involved preliminary examination of tender, arithmetic correction and detailed analysis, the lowest evaluated bidder was determined to

be M/s Electrics International Co. Limited at a corrected tender price of Tshs 1,274,295,025.26. Evaluation report was deliberated by BOT Tender Board and it was approved to award construction works to M/s Electrics International Co. Limited at a fixed contract price of Tshs 1,274,295,025.26 and 32 weeks completion period. Contract agreement between the Bank and the contractor was signed on 3rd June 2008 and construction works started immediately thereafter. Subcontractors for specialized works were nominated and approved by the BOT Tender Board. These included M/s Remco (International) Ltd for Air Conditioning installation, M/s Ginde EAP Services Ltd for plumbing and drainage systems and M/s Pomy Engineering Co. Ltd for Electrical installations. All these companies are registered in Tanzania.

Tenderers for house no. 57 Mtwara Crescent were invited through a competitive tender method where 5 short-listed contractors were invited to collect tender documents and bid for work. Submitted tenders went through the same tender process detailed above that resulted into M/s Holtan Builders Ltd being lowest evaluated at determined the bidder **Tshs** 24 1,272,348,512.00 weeks completion and period. Subcontractor nominated and approved in this case were M/s Jandu Construction & Plumbers Ltd for plumbing and drainage systems, M/s Barkley Electrical Contractors Ltd for electrical installation and M/s Remco (International) Ltd for Air Conditioning installation. The cost for specialized works undertaken by subcontractors for each site is included on the fixed contract prices for respective main contractor. Likewise, lists of project parties for both works are displayed on the sign boards that are still erected at the front side of respective plots.

While the two projects were still on preliminarily stages, appointment of the three new executive officers to Bank of Tanzania was completed. The Bank was thus compelled to rent two residential houses one on plot No. 480 Bray Road Masaki and another on plot No. 591 at Msasani Peninsular. One house was allocated to Professor Benno Ndulu, by then the first Deputy Governor, and another to Deputy Governor Lila Mkila. Prior to moving to this rented house; between October 2007 and April 2008, Prof Ndulu lived in his own house in Mbezi Beach. Likewise Deputy Governor Mkila stayed in his own house before moving to the rented premise. These movements were to facilitate easy access to the office in light of traffic congestion in the city. It was decided to relocate Deputy Governor Juma Reli to house No. 387 Mahando Street to give way for planned refurbishment required at house No. 43 Msese road. Deputy Governor Enos Bukuku is residing in his own private house, and is paid housing allowance in lieu of occupying official residence as entitled – pending the planned refurbishment of Plot No. 43 Msese road residence.

The construction of the two executive residences has now been completed. Both Governor Ndulu and Deputy Governor Mkila, who were residing in rented houses have relocated to the new Bank of Tanzania official residences. The Governor has relocated to house No. 12 Tumbawe Road since 17<sup>th</sup> December 2009 and Deputy Governor Mkila to house No. 57 Mtwara Crescent since 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

As it is with all other Bank of Tanzania projects, these too will be subject to the usual audit process. It might be important for the public to know that, as stipulated in the Bank of Tanzania Act 2006 the Controller and Auditor General (CAG) is the external auditor for the Bank. The CAG has retained the services of the Ernst and Young, an international audit firm to support the external audit work of the Bank.

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