



PUBLIC NOTICE

In 2015, the Government of Tanzania approved commencement of operations at the Tanga Port, as the second fuel receiving facility after Dar es Salaam Port, with a view to minimize costs of doing business and decongest the Dar es Salaam-Chalinze section of the Highway, among other factors. Following this, the Petroleum Bulk Procurement Agency (PBPA) and industrial stakeholders facilitated petroleum product imports through the Tanga Port, so that the Northern Regions close to Tanga, (i.e Kilimanjaro, Arusha and Manyara) can utilize fuel from this Port. Since 2017, EWURA has been issuing monthly cap prices for the mentioned regions for products offloaded at the Tanga Port.

Despite the Government's initiatives, EWURA has noted with concern unhealthy business practices where fuel suppliers from Northern Regions have started buying products from Dar es Salaam instead of Tanga.

The practice has negatively affected wholesalers who have imported petroleum products through the Tanga Port and has further undermined the Government's efforts to minimize the costs of doing business which ultimately benefits the end user.

In view of this, EWURA hereby issues a firm order and directive to all fuel suppliers to ensure that petroleum products that are intended for Northern Regions shall only be sourced from Tanga Port; and not elsewhere.

Any person who refuses or fails to comply with this directive shall commit an offence pursuant to section 238 of the Petroleum Act, Cap. 392 and on conviction, shall be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred million shillings or to imprisonment for a term not less than ten years or both.

EWURA will closely monitor the situation of fuel supply in the country to ensure that interests of all stakeholders, i.e the consumers, wholesalers, retailers and the government are well protected.

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