

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

MINISTRY OF WATER

ENERGY AND WATER UTILITIES
REGULATORY AUTHORITY
(EWURA)



PUBLIC NOTICE

SOURCING PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM TANGA

The Government approved commencement of petroleum products operations at Tanga Port as a second fuel receiving facility after Dar es Salaam Port. In addition, the government also approved commencement of Mtwara Port as third fuel receiving facility with a view to minimizing costs of doing business in the country. As such, the Petroleum Bulk Procurement Agency (PBPA) and industrial stakeholders have facilitated petroleum product imports through these three ports.

However, despite the Government's initiatives, EWURA has noted with concern the ongoing unhealthy business practices whereby fuel suppliers based in the Northern regions of Tanga, Kilimanjaro, Arusha and Manyara have started sourcing petroleum products from Dar es Salaam instead of Tanga Port for supplying in Tanga, Kilimanjaro, Arusha and Manyara regions.

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** to all fuel suppliers to ensure that petroleum products for Tanga, Kilimanjaro, Arusha and Manyara regions shall only be sourced from the 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 not less than 100 million shillings or imprisonment for a term not less than 10 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.

Issued by

DIRECTOR GENERAL

