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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

COSTECH	Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology
DTA	Data Transfer Agreement
M&E	Monitoring & Evaluation
MSc	Master of Science
MTA	Material Transfer Agreement
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NIMR	National Institute for Medical Research
NRCC Committee	The National Research Clearance
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
PI	Principal Investigator
TAWIRI	Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute
TMDA	Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority
TZ	Tanzania

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

The Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH) is a public institution established by the Act of Parliament No. 7 of 1986. COSTECH was successor to UTAFITI, which had been in existence since 1972. The Commission is under the Ministry responsible for Science and Technology and is the principal advisory organ to the Government on all matters relating to scientific research, innovation, and technology development and transfer.

Given our experience over the last 40 years in relation to the registration of research projects, COSTECH through established guidelines has been providing guidance on the processes for research registration and clearance of all research activities conducted in Tanzania mainland. The guidelines shall be applicable to all individuals' institutions and organizations conducting research, as mandated in the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology Act No. 7 of 1986 (revised) described in part II section 5 sub-section 2 (b) and (c). These include higher learning, research and

development institutions, Ministries, Departments, Agencies, Private companies/enterprises, Non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations, international agencies, and community based organizations. The guidelines will also be useful for professional bodies to incorporate into their codes of conduct in their efforts to advance professionalism through embracing research. Researchers intending to undertake research in Zanzibar are required to seek permission from the Second Vice-President's Office, Zanzibar.

1.2 VISION STATEMENT

A nation driven by Science, Technology and Innovation.

1.3 MISSION STATEMENT

Ensure utilization of knowledge-based products through coordination and promotion of science, technology and innovation for rapid social-economic development.

1.4 MANDATES, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The principal Mandates, Functions and Responsibilities of the Commission as provided in the COSTECH Act No 7 of 1986 (Cap 226 rev 2002), these include:

- i. Prepare and review the national science, technology, and innovation programs, including dissemination and transfer of technology;
- ii. Monitor and co-ordinate activities relating to scientific research, technology development and innovation of all persons or bodies concerned with such activities;
- iii. Acquire, store and disseminate scientific and technology information; and for that purpose, to hold or sponsor conferences, symposia, meetings, seminars or workshops; publish any newspaper, journal or periodical; or do any other act or thing designed to promote interest in science, technology and innovation;
- iv. Advise the Government on matters such as priority areas

for scientific research; allocation and utilization of research and innovation funds according to priorities; scientific research and regional and international co-operation in scientific research, innovation and technology development and transfer; and matters relating to the training and recruitment of research personnel.

In executing its mandates, functions and responsibilities on coordination and promotion of research, the Commission established various national advisory committees. One of these is the National Research Clearance Committee (NRCC), which assists COSTECH in maintaining a commitment to facilitate innovative and high-quality research in the country. The NRCC receives and reviews research proposals for their scientific merit, safety suitability and ethical appropriateness. When these are deemed satisfactory, the NRCC issues research permits that allow one to conduct research in the country and by doing so, the approved research proposal is duly registered in the country's research database.

These guidelines establish the key processes, procedures, practices, and minimum requirements necessary for research approval, registration and conduct of research in Tanzania. The mandatory requirements in the guidelines represent a useful tool for researchers (both Tanzanian and non-Tanzanian), and other stakeholders including research funders, research organizations, research ethics committees, NGOs and research subjects.

1.5 OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the guidelines is to document all research activities to enable coordination, promotion and prioritizing of research, as well as the use of research results, for sustainable development in Tanzania.

The specific objectives are to:

- i. ensure research conducted in Tanzania is of the required standards which observe national rules and regulations;
- ii. register and document diverse research activities in Tanzania;
- iii. secure results of research undertaken in Tanzania and promote its utilization in policy and practice;
- iv. safeguard the dignity, rights, ethics and well-being of study subjects including flora and/or fauna;
- v. reduce systemic risks imposed through the research

- undertaking; and
- vi. issue research permits for all research undertaken.

2.0 RESEARCH CATEGORIES

The research categories are classified into different aspects based on the targeted audience. For the purpose of these guidelines, research shall be understood as “any type of systematic investigation, testing or evaluation designed to develop or contribute to a body of knowledge”. It includes research in all sectors namely Natural sciences, Agricultural and veterinary sciences, Social sciences, Medical and health sciences, Engineering and technologies and Humanities and Arts. These research categories are further grouped on the basis of their duration of its implementation:

- A. Short-term research lasting one year or less;
- B. Medium term research lasting up to three years; and
- C. Long-term research lasting more than three years.

The following requirements apply for each of the research categories during the registration process.

A. Short-term Research:

- i. Should be for a maximum of one year;
- ii. In case of non-Tanzanian applicants, the researcher should affiliate with registered and recognized local higher learning institution and/or a research institution with relevant expertise.

B. Medium-term research:

- i. Should last between one and three years
- ii. It should preferably address topics/themes from the current national research priority areas;
- iii. In the case of non-Tanzanian applicants, the researcher should affiliate with registered and recognized local higher learning institution and/or a research institution with relevant expertise;
- iv. Should involve local research collaborator(s) of specialized area of research through their respective institutions;

- v. It should include capacity building activities to Tanzanians;

c. Long term research

- i. Should last beyond three years;
- ii. Should preferably address topics/themes from the current national research priority areas;
- iii. Should include a capacity-building component to support Tanzanians at either Masters, PhD or post-doctoral levels;
- iv. In the case of non- Tanzania applicants, the researcher should affiliate with registered and recognized local higher learning institution and/or a research institution with relevant expertise; and
- v. Should involve local research collaborator(s) of specialized area of research. One of collaborator would preferably be a Co-PI (Co-Principal Investigator) with relevant expertise.

3.0 REQUIREMENTS FOR RESEARCH PERMIT APPLICATION

3.1 APPLICATION FOR NEW RESEARCH PERMIT

The Principal Investigator of the project should make application for research permits. All applications and attachments must be submitted to the Director General of COSTECH through an online system available at

<https://rclearance.or.tz/web/login>. The application should be done at least 60 days before the intended commencement of research in Tanzania. The application list of requirements and required supporting documents are available through the link at <https://rclearance.or.tz/web/login> as follows:

- A) A full research proposal indicating important sections:
 - i. Research title;
 - ii. Introduction and Literature review
 - iii. Problem statement;
 - iv. Main and specific objectives
 - v. Significance of the research;
 - vi. Hypotheses or research questions/theoretical framework;
 - vii. Methodologies (with attachment of data collection tools) and timeframe.
 - viii. Research budget justifications
 - ix. References
 - B) The sponsor's/ funder covering letter;
 - C) For non-Tanzanian applicants, scientific and research ethics approval from an appropriate institutional authority in the PI's country of residence;
 - D) Research ethical clearance (where applicable) from subject matter authorities in Tanzania such as the:
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- i. National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) for research in medical, public health and/or human health;
 - ii. Tanzania Medicines & Medical Devices (TMDA) for clinical trials;
 - iii. Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI) for research on wildlife and natural resources conservation;
 - iv. Tanzania Agriculture Research Institute (TARI) for research on agriculture
 - v. Tanzania Forestry Research Institute (TAFORI) for research on forestry
 - vi. Tanzania Fisheries Research Institute (TAFIRI) for research on fishery and aquaculture.
 - vii. Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI) for research on livestock and agriculture.
 - viii. Any other approved ethical clearance institution.
- E) A supporting headed letter from a Tanzanian local researcher affiliated institution;
 - F) A Tanzanian applicant, should provide details information of National ID and option to travel passport detail,
 - G) For non-Tanzanian applicants should submit copy of travel passport details page
 - I) A current passport size photo of blue background.
 - J) All Co-PI and members of the project should register on

the system so that the PI can include them during the application.

3.2 REVIEW AND FEES FOR APPLICATION OF RESEARCH PERMIT

The review process will apply to new, renew/extension and amendment applications of a research project. The approval of research projects will depend on a decision made in the NRCC meeting which is scheduled after every two months except for fast track applications which take 15 working days for its approval. The application fee of 50USD will be applied per project for new and amendment applications for research permit for both Tanzanian and non-Tanzanian as shown in Table No. 2 (Fee structure). However, the application fee may be reviewed and where necessary, changed periodically without notice.

3.3 APPLICATION FOR RESEARCH PERMIT RENEWAL

The Principal Investigator of the project should make application for research permits renewal/extension via the online application system. The research permit is valid for only twelve (12) months and therefore all research lasting more than a year has to request for renewal of the research clearance. Where a researcher fails to conduct research within a given duration, the research permit will automatically expire and will not be transferrable. The ongoing research shall be reviewed to ensure continued adherence to the study proposal approved in the previous permit and to see if

any material changes have occurred in the research. The renewal application is also an opportunity for the NRCC to determine whether there are any important findings already that might influence policy or practice or even cause the research to be terminated altogether. The application for renewal/extension should be done 60 days before the expiration of the current permit. A PI who wishes to continue with the research beyond the expiry date of the research permit should apply to COSTECH at least 60 days before the operational permit's expiry date, to request for a renewal of the permit. The request should be accompanied by;

- A) Annual progress report which contains;
 - i. The title of the project;
 - ii. COSTECH Registration reference number;
 - iii. Study area;
 - iv. Brief background and objective of the project;
 - v. Progress in the reporting period as per project objectives;
 - vi. Constraints/problems encountered during its implementation and
 - vii. Output of the project during reporting period
 - viii. Implementation plan for the period requested.
 - ix. Data collection tools to be used under requested period of extension
- B) A supporting letter of recommendation of local researcher from the affiliated institution;
- C) In addition, the PI should submit the progress report after every six months after receiving the research permit.

3.4 APPLICATION FEE PENALTY

An application fee penalty of 50USD will be applicable to applicants who apply for research permit renew/extension less than 60 days before expiration date of current permit.

3.5 APPLICATION FOR RESEARCH PROJECT AMMENDMENTS

A) It is anticipated that the PI will remain responsible for the project for entire duration, unless circumstances dictate otherwise. Should the PI need to be changed or changing local researcher, the host or local researcher affiliated institution shall notify COSTECH within 30 days of the departure of the outgoing PI or local researcher. The application will be done by PI using the online application system explaining the reason for change and the suitability of the newly identified PI or local researcher of the project. The amendment request shall be subjected to the usual application for research clearance process and the PI is required to submit application 90 days before expiry of the research permit, otherwise is requested through the fast track procedure.

B) In case a new researcher is to join an on-going research project for which a research permit has already been

granted, the PI shall submit a request for a research permit for the new member to COSTECH at least 60 days prior to joining the research team. The researcher who wants to join project team should register in an online application system. After the NRCC approval, the research permit will be bear the same issue date as the PI and other team members. The PI should clearly provide justification for the additional researcher in the ongoing project. The validity dates of research permit of the joining researcher should be the same as the PI's research permit validity dates

c) In case the PI wants to change study site/area, objectives and methodologies to an on-going research project for which a research permit has already been granted, he/she shall submit a request for amendment to COSTECH at least 60 days prior to implementing the change through an online application system.

4.0 EXPEDITED REVIEW PROCEDURE/ FAST TRACK

Expedited review or fast track is a procedure through which the application of research permit will be reviewed and approved without following the normal schedule of the NRCC meeting. The expedited review process will take a maximum of fifteen (15) working days from submission of application by applicant to the final decision and issuance of research permit. The procedure is applicable to the new applications already approved by Research Ethical Committee (RECs), renewal/extension and amendment applications. After the project approval, Non-Tanzanian applicant should pay permit fee of 300 USD per researcher.

4.1 PROCEDURES FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW

Applicant should submit application for expedited review through the following link: <https://rclearance.or.tz/web/login>. The application requirements for research permit to be considered for the fast track should be the same as described under clause 3.1 (Application for New Research Permit), 3.3 (Application for Research Permit Renewal) and 3.5 (Application for Research Project Amendments):

Table 1: Rates for expedited review

S/ N	Types of applications	Tanzani an research ers (TZS)	Non- Tanzania Research ers (USD)	Tanzanian students (TZS)
		Amount fee	Amount fee	Amount fee
1.	New research project application	700,000	800	300,000
2.	Renewal and amendment applications	300,000	500	100,000

5.0 STEPS FOR PROCESSING RESEARCH PERMIT APPLICATIONS

5.1 NEW APPLICATIONS

Once COSTECH receives a new application, the Secretariat shall do the following:

1. Acknowledge receipt of submitted application;
2. Conduct internal screening to ensure that all the required documents have been submitted. If any document is missing, the application will be returned to applicant.

Any application which does not require clearance from REC, will be submitted to internal and external reviewers for evaluation;

3. The applications that have been cleared by RECs, will

- not be reviewed by internal and external reviewer;
4. Send all applications to the COSTECH management;
 5. Submit to the NRCC for discussion and final verdict;
 6. Record the decision of the NRCC on each application for action;
 7. Inform the applicant on the NRCC decision, based on reviewer's comments, those with minor and major comments the applicants will be required to address and resubmit through the online application system;
 8. The applications with major comments, after the applicant has addressed the comments raised, then the application will be resubmitted to reviewer for verification and then will be discussed in the next NRCC meeting.

5.2 RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

Once COSTECH receives a renewal application, the Secretariat shall do the following:

1. Acknowledge receipt of submitted application;
2. Conduct internal screening to ensure that all the required documents have been submitted. If any document is missing, request them from the applicant;
3. Send all applications to the COSTECH management;
4. Submit to the NRCC for discussion and final decision;
5. Record the decision of the NRCC on each application for action;
6. Inform the applicant on the NRCC decision.

5.3 AMENDMENT APPLICATIONS

Once COSTECH receives an amendment application, the Secretariat shall do the following:

1. Acknowledge receipt of submitted application;
2. Conduct internal screening to ensure that all the required documents have been submitted. If any document is missing, request them from the applicant;
3. Send all applications to the COSTECH management;
4. Submit to the NRCC for discussion and final decision;
5. Record the decision of the NRCC on each application for action;
6. Inform the applicant on the NRCC decision.

6.0 Local Collaborations

All Non-Tanzanian researchers are required to identify and affiliate to a local recognized institution in Tanzania, which has the appropriate capacity in the relevant type of research and obtain a local researcher who is an expert in the thematic areas of research project. The minimum qualification of the local researcher should be a holder of Master degree and expert in the relevant field of study. A researcher should obtain a headed letter of recommendation from the local host institution for submission to COSTECH during research permit application. Institutions for which an applicant is

affiliated should support non-Tanzanian researchers and work towards building constructive collaborative partnerships.

6.1 Responsibilities and condition for collaborations

- i. Support collaborators on permit acquisition in the host country
- ii. Link non – Tanzanian researchers with relevant government offices and community
- iii. Participate in planning and execution of research project activities including monitoring & evaluation and reporting
- iv. Participate in manuscript drafting, editing, analysis, approval for publication
- v. Facilitate the procedural arrangements for MTA and DTA on behalf of the non- Tanzanian collaborator
(Refer COSTECH MTA terms:

The MoU between local and external researcher should include modalities for data sharing, material transfer agreements, access benefit sharing agreements, managing intellectual properties and dissemination of research results.

7.0 NATIONAL RESEARCH CLEARANCE COMMITTEE (NRCC) DECISIONS

The NRCC shall reach its decision through a consensus of members forming a quorum at their meeting. The decision may be:

- i. Approved without amendments;
- ii. Approved subject to minor amendments such as recasting title, additional literature review etc.;
- iii. Approved subject to consultation to stakeholders e.g, Government Ministries or Institutions
- iv. Approved subject to major amendments. This will hold if the proposal has scientific flaws (no justification, unclear objectives, poor/unclear methodology such as unjustified sample size/sampling frame and methods, unclear outputs and outcomes).
- v. Permit denial where the proposal compromises national security, fails to address ethical requirements or implies possible detrimental effects to national and international policies. In such cases, the NRCC shall include in its written notification to the applicant a statement of reasons for its decision. It shall give the applicant an opportunity to respond in person or in writing and if the applicant is still not satisfied with the Committee's decision, the arbitration mechanism shall involve the PI presenting an appeal to the Commission.

Researchers whose projects have been approved by the NRCC should access the research permit through the online application system account. For non-Tanzanian, the applicant required to pay research permit fee using control

number generated by the system within 90 days before its expiration. Failure to pay the permit fee within given duration, the applicant will be required to re-apply as new application.

8.0 MODE OF PAYMENT FOR RESEARCH APPLICATION AND PERMIT FEES

The Principal Investigator should make a payment for a non-refundable research application fee of 50USD to COSTECH per research project at the beginning of application as per online application system. The application will not be processed without proof of payment of the application fee. After the NRCC approval of the applications, the research permit will be issued to all non-Tanzanian researchers only after have paid research permit fee of 300USD per researcher as indicated in this guideline. All non- Tanzanian research team listed in the research project proposal and online application system should pay the research permit fee through the control number auto generated by the system. The control number provided will be link to the following bank details; The control number has to be used instead of Bank Account number.

Account name: Tanzania Commission for science and Technology;

Name of the Bank: National Bank of Commerce Ltd,

Branch: Samora Avenue, P.O. Box 9002, Dar

es Salaam.

Swift Number: NLCBTZTX

9.0 FEE STRUCTURE

Table No. 2: Fee structure for research permit;

S/No	Category of payments rates	Type of application	Tanzanian (USD)	Non-Tanzania (USD)	Tanzanian students (USD)
1.	Application fee	New	50	50	50
		Extension	0	0	0
		Amendment	50	50	50
2.	Research permit fee per researcher	New	0	300	0
		Extension	0	300	0
		Amendment (Joining researcher)	0	300	0

10.0 MATERIAL AND DATA TRANSFER AGREEMENT

All researchers granted research permits that involve the collection of materials such as soils, rocks, minerals, human, plant or animal and alike data intended to be exported, must

submit a signed Material Transfer Agreement (MTA) and Data Transfer Agreement (DTA) between local host/affiliated institution and foreign counterpart institution. The signed MTA/DTA should also be submitted to COSTECH.

The MTA/DTA will indicate terms for collection, storage/managing, transportation, disposal or return of the materials/data to Tanzania after the completion of the research project. This complies with national and international laws. Any patent, intellectual property or royalty emanating from any research approved by the NRCC shall be owned as stipulated in the research proposals and in accordance with the IP policy of the respective research institution.

11.0 COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The National Research Clearance Committee (NRCC) is composed of members representing Public Higher Learning (HL) and Research & Development (R&D) institutions and government departments as stipulated by the COSTECH Act of 1986 (revised). The Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology Director General shall be the secretary of

the committee.

12.0 MONITORING AND SUPERVISION

Monitoring and supervision is intended to address the following key areas during research implementation.

- i. Supervision of researchers for compliance of terms and conditions of researchers' conduct
- ii. Assess the short and potential long-term impact (s) of the research project
- iii. Monitoring the research project implementation timeline versus progress
- iv. Monitoring the effectiveness of the project performance (extent of objectives achievement, challenges and opportunities)

To affect this, COSTECH uses three methods, these are:

- i. Progress Reports: from the researcher that are submitted biannual (after every 6 months), annual and final reports at the end of the research project to COSTECH and also the publications, theses derived from the research works
- ii. Site visits: COSTECH staff or designated researcher(s) may conduct random or planned visits to research sites to check if terms and conditions of good research conduct are observed.
- iii. COSTECH access data and research premises of the

permitted research projects.

- iv. Where necessary, COSTECH will harmonize a joint supervision with thematic areas research institute.

13.0 TERMINATION OF RESEARCH

COSTECH reserves the right to suspend, terminate or revoke a research permit in the event of gross misconduct or violation of the provisions of these Guidelines or when deemed necessary. Such suspension, termination or revocation will only take place after thorough investigation of allegations on non-compliance. The PIs who fail to submit satisfactory progress reports from research work in Tanzania may be liable to termination.

14.0 FAILURE TO REGISTER A RESEARCH TO COSTECH

Any person conducting research activities or research related activities without a research permit from COSTECH will be subjected for legal action. The legal consequences of non-compliance with these guidelines will follow in accordance with the laws and regulations of the United Republic of Tanzania.

15.0 DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

Any differences arising from the implementation of these guidelines shall be resolved in good faith, through

negotiations between the Parties. The remedy for any breach of these guidelines shall be limited to the right to terminate the permit and institute legal measures if such breach is not resolved within thirty (30) days after notice from COSTECH.

16.0 APPEAL

Any researcher denied a research clearance application of conducting research or research related activities in the United Republic of Tanzania, shall appeal to the Board of Commissioners and if not successful can appeal to the Minister responsible for Science and Technology.

17.0 PROJECT CLOSURE

The PI of the project at the end of the project implementation, is obliged to the following;

- i. Submission of soft and hardcopy of the final report
- ii. Submit all Publications
- iii. Sharing of soft raw data with COSTECH and local collaborating institutions based on agreements
- iv. Commitment letter for feedback to the data source community when research is completed
- v. Dissemination of research findings to the beneficiaries

Final report should include the following format;

- i. COSTECH Registration reference number
- ii. The title of the study;

- iii. Summary of report in English and Swahili (languages for final report)
- iv. Brief background and objective of the study;
- v. Methodology including study sites
- vi. Key findings;
- vii. Constraints/problems encountered; and
- viii. Conclusion and recommendations

18.0 AMENDMENTS TO THE GUIDELINES

These guidelines may be reviewed and where necessary, amended periodically after approval by the body of Commission.

SIGNED THIS: 27th day of August, 2023

Prof. Makenya Abraham Honoratus Maboko

Chairman, COSTECH Board

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 2: TANZANIAN RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

Below are lists of some Tanzanian research and academic institutions (Universities, Colleges, Faculties, Schools) for possible affiliation. Please note that these lists are not exhaustive and are subject to change from time to time. For further information, please visit institution websites based on sectors and ownership.

2. RESEARCH INSTITUTES BY SECTORS

S/N o.	AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK INSTITUTES
1.	Tanzania Agricultural Research Institute (TARI)
2.	Zanzibar Agricultural Research Institute (ZARI)
3.	Tanzania Coffee Research Institute (TACRI) - Lyamungu
4	Tanzania Livestock Research Institute - (TALIRI)

S/N o.	AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK INSTITUTES
5	Tanzania Plant Health and Pesticide Authority (TPHPA)
6	Tanzania Veterinary Laboratory Agency (TVLA)
7	Tea Research Institute Maruku
8.	Tobacco Research Institute of Tanzania (TORITA)

S/N o.	INDUSTRY AND ENERGY INSTITUTES
1.	Centre for Agricultural Mechanization & Rural Technology (CAMARTEC)
2.	Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology
3.	National Construction Council (NCC)
4.	National Housing & Building Research Agency (NHBRA)
5.	Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO)
6.	Tanzania Atomic Energy Commission (TAEC)
7.	Tanzania Automotive Technology Centre (TATC)
8	Tanzania Engineering & Manufacturing Design Organization (TEMDO)
9	Tanzania Industrial Research & Development Organization (TIRDO)

S/N o.	NATURAL RESOURCES INSTITUTES
1	College of African Wildlife Management - Mweka
2	National Herbarium of Tanzania (NHT)
3	National Museums of Tanzania (NMT)
4	National Plant Genetic Resources Centre (NPGRC)
5	National Plant Quarantine Station (NPQS)
6	Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority (NCAA)
7	Tanzania Fisheries Research Institute (TAFIRI)
8	Tanzania Forest Services Agency (TFS)
9	Tanzania Forestry Research Institute (TAFORI)
10	Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA)
11	Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI)
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S/ No	MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTES
1	Ifakara Health Institute (IHI)
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2	National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR)
3	Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority (TMDA)
4	Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre (TFNC)

S/N o.	SOCIAL SCIENCES INSTITUTES
5	Community Development Institute (CDTI)- Tengeru
6.	Confederation of Tanzania Industries (CTI)
7.	Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF)
8.	Hakielimu
9.	Institute of Financial management (IFM)
10.	Institute of Rural Development Planning (IRDP)
11	Institute of Social Works (ISW)
12.	Local Government Training Institute (LGTI)
13.	National Bureau of Statistics
14.	Policy Research for Development (REPOA)
15.	President's Office, Planning Commission – Tanzania
16.	Tanzania Gender Networking Programme (TGNP Mtandao)
17.	Tanzania National Business Council (TNBC)
18	Tanzania Public Service Training College
19	Tanzania Public Service Training College
20	Twaweza
21	Uongozi Institute

List of Approved University Institutions in Tanzania as of 3rd March, 2023

1: FULLY FLEDGED UNIVERSITIES

1A: Public Universities

SN	Name of the University	Approved Acronym
1.	University of Dar es Salaam	UDSM
2.	Sokoine University of Agriculture	SUA
3.	Open University of Tanzania	OUT
4.	Ardhi University	ARU
5.	State University of Zanzibar	SUZA
6.	Mzumbe University	MU
7.	Muhimbili University of Health & Allied Sciences	MUHAS
8.	Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology	NMAIST
9.	University of Dodoma	UDOM
10.	Mbeya University of Science and Technology	MUST
11.	Moshi Cooperative University	MoCU
12.	Mwalimu Julius K. Nyerere University of Agriculture and Technology	MJNUAT

1B: Private Universities

SN	Name of the University	Approved Acronym
1.	Hubert Kairuki Memorial University	HKMU
2.	Tumaini University Makumira	TUMA
3.	St. Augustine University of Tanzania	SAUT
4.	Zanzibar University	ZU
5.	University of Arusha	UoA
6.	Teofilo Kisanji University	TEKU
7.	Muslim University of Morogoro	MUM
8.	St. John's University of Tanzania	SJUT
9.	Catholic University of Health and Allied Sciences	CUHAS
10.	St. Joseph University in Tanzania	SJUIT
11.	United African University of Tanzania	UAUT
12.	University of Iringa	UoI
13.	Abdulrahman Al-Sumait University	SUMAIT
14.	Mwenge Catholic University	MWECAU
15.	Ruaha Catholic University	RUCU
16.	Aga Khan University	AKU
17.	Kampala International University in Tanzania	KIUT
18.	Mwanza University	MzU
19.	Rabininsia Memorial University of Health and Allied Sciences	RMUHAS
20.	University of Medical Sciences and Technology	UMST

2: UNIVERSITY COLLEGES

2A: Public University Colleges

2.	Dar es Salaam University College of Education	DUCE
3.	Mbeya College of Health and Allied Sciences	MCHAS
4.	Mbeya University of Science and Technology – Rukwa Campus College	MUST-RC
5.	Mzumbe University – Mbeya Campus College	MU - - Mbeya Campus College
6.	Mzumbe University – Dar es Salaam Campus College	MU – Dar es Salaam Campus College
7.	Sokoine University of Agriculture – Mizengo Pinda Campus College	SUA – MPC

2B: Private University Colleges

SN	Name of the Institution	Approved Acronym
1.	Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College	KCMUCo
2.	Tumaini University Dar es Salaam College	TUDARCo

3.	Stefano Moshi Memorial University College	SMMUCo	University College under TUMA	Moshi	Certificate of Full Registration (CFR) and Chartered
4.	Archbishop Mihayo University College of Tabora	AMUCTA	University College under SAUT	Tabora	Accredited
5.	St. Francis University College of Health and Allied Sciences	SFUCHAS	University College under SAUT	Morogoro	Certificate of Full Registration (CFR)
6.	Jordan University College	JUCo	University College under SAUT	Morogoro	Accredited
7.	Stella Maris Mtwara University College	STeMMUCO	University College under SAUT	Mtwara	Certificate of Full Registration (CFR)
8.	Marian University College	MARUCo	University College under SAUT	Bagamoyo	Accredited
9.	St. Joseph University College of Health and Allied Sciences	SJCHAS	University College under SJUIT	Dares Salaam	Accredited
10.	Catholic University College of Mbeya	CUCoM	University College under SAUT	Mbeya	Accredited

3: UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES, CENTRES AND INSTITUTES

3A: Public University Campuses, Centres and Institutes

SN	Name of the Institution	Approved Acronym
1.	Institute of Marine Sciences	IMS

2.	Kizumbi Institute of Cooperative Business Education	KICoB
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3B: Private University Campuses, Centres and Institutes

SN	Name of the Institution	Approved Acronym
1.	St. Augustine University of Tanzania, Dar es Salaam Centre	Pending
2.	Stefano Moshi Memorial University College, Mwika Centre	Pending
3.	St. Augustine University of Tanzania, Arusha Centre	Pending

