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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

BoD Board of Directors

BoT Bank of Tanzania

BRELA Business Registration and Licensing Agency

DG Director General

DHRA Directorate of Human Resource and Administration

DQM Directorate of Quality Management

DSD Directorate of Standards Development

DTM Directorate of Testing and Metrology

EAC East African Community

FY Financial Year

FYDP Five Year Development Plan

GHP Good Hygiene Practice

GMP Good Manufacturing Practice

GCLA Government Chemist Laboratory Authority

HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus

IAU Internal Audit Unit

ICT Information and Communication Technology

ICTU Information and Communication Technology Unit

ISO International Organization for Standardization

MoU Memorandum of Understanding

MSMEs Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

MTEF Medium Term Expenditure Framework

NACSAP National Anti-Corruption Strategy and Action Plan

NCD Non-Communicable Diseases

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NEMC National Environment Management Council

NSB National Standards Body

OPRAS Open Performance Review and Appraisal System

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Authority

PMU Procurement Management Unit

PVoC Pre-shipment Verification of Conformity to Standards

QI Quality Infrastructure

SADC Southern African Development Community

SDGs Sustainable Development Goals

SIDO Small Industries Development Organization

SMEs Small and Medium Enterprises

SPS Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

SQMT Standardization, Quality Assurance, Metrology and Testing

SWOC Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges

TBS Tanzania Bureau of Standards

TDV Tanzania Development Vision

TFDA Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority

TFS Tanzania Forest Service Agency

TIRDO Tanzania Industrial Research and Development Organization

TMDA Tanzania Medicines & Medical Devices Authority

TRA Tanzania Revenue Authority

WMA Weights and Measures Agency

WTO World Trade Organization

ZFDA Zanzibar Food and Drug Agency



# STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD

The 2021/22 to 2025/26 Strategic Plan is anchored on the success and lessons of the previous Strategic Plan (2015/16-2019/20). The Plan sets out outcome-oriented goals and objectives which the Bureau will endeavour to achieve and puts greater emphasis on delivering effective standardization and quality assurance services for the development of industry and commerce in Tanzania.

This Strategic Plan portrays the Vision, Mission and Core Values of Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) and the five (5) major objectives that the Bureau will strive to achieve within the next five (5) years. It also sets strategies towards attainment of the objectives that need to be entrenched to achieve the set objectives, namely HIV/AIDS Infections and Non-Communicable Diseases Reduced and Supportive Services Improved; Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy enhanced and sustained; Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced; Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced; and Institutional capacity to deliver its mandated functions enhanced. Key performance indicators will be used to track progress towards achievement of the Bureau's objectives thus contributing to the national efforts towards nurturing industrialization by the year 2025.

This Plan provides the systematic implementation of the Bureau's mandate while taking into account the Standards Act Cap. 130 and its Regulations, Government Blueprint for Regulatory Reform to Improve Business Environment, National Vision 2025, Tanzania Five Year Development Plan II (2016/2017 – 2020/2021), the Ruling Party Manifesto of 2020 – 2025 (Chapter 2, Article 46-49), Integrated Industrial Development Strategy (IIDS), Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and sector related policies. It also provides the basis for developing the Bureau's Annual Medium-Term Expenditure Frameworks (MTEF) for the sake of linking the Bureau's performance at the sector expectations.

On behalf of the TBS Board of Directors, I express deep appreciation of vibrant contribution of all who participated in one way or another in the groundwork and preparation of this Plan, including combined efforts of TBS Management, Workers Council and all staff, technical facilitation from the President's Office Public Service Management (PO-PSM) and contribution from our esteemed stakeholders.

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PERMANENT SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE
FOR: CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



# STATEMENT FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

The Tanzania Vision 2025 is aimed at transforming Tanzania into a middle-income country by formulating "a strong and resilient economy that can effectively withstand global competition". This will be grasped by transforming the country's economy from depending predominantly on agriculture to semi-industrialized economy with substantial industrial sector comparable to typical middle-income countries.

To contribute towards realization of the vision, Tanzania Bureau of Standards will enhance capacity for competitive production through safety assurance and conformity assessment services. Therefore, the major production sectors such as agriculture, manufacturing, oil and gas; social services sectors such as construction, health and education; and the service industry such as transport, finance and communication all need to grow.

These enabling services are essential for increased production, competitiveness of products and services, and the wellbeing of the society.

Standardization is relevant in every aspect of the society as it provides an engine for economic growth and development. Therefore, for economic transformation to occur, an enabling quality and standards infrastructure is a pre-requisite. Standards not only help to measure but also guarantee the quality of products and services.

Tanzania must build capacity for competitive production through the application of Standardization, Quality Assurance, Metrology and Testing (SQMT) with a focus on not only domestic markets but also regional and international markets. In this respect, the Ministry of Industry and Trade through TBS will endeavour to lay the foundation for a sustainable quality and standards infrastructure. This is essential in the promotion and regulation of products and services to enhance competitiveness and consumer protection. This Strategic Plan is therefore expected to direct and drive the momentum for quality innovation and production and marketing of standardized products and services for economic transformation. TBS is committed to building a responsive management system to partner with complementary institutions in creating impact and value addition for the long-term development of the country.

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**DIRECTOR GENERAL** 



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The preparation of this Strategic Plan is based on TBS's mandate provided under the Standards Act Cap. 130. The Bureau is mandated to prepare and promote standardization and undertake measures for quality control of the products of all description in industry and commerce. The Bureau is further mandated by the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019 to regulate the safety and quality of food and cosmetic products. By and large, the Bureau is the custodian and overseer of the observance and implementation of standards in Tanzania.

This Strategic Plan has taken into account the changes made by the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019, the gaps observed and the limitations experienced during the implementation of the previous Strategic Plan (2016/2017 to 2020/2021). It has also taken into account key Government sector policies and strategies having bearing on the Bureau's roles and responsibilities, the Ruling Party Manifesto of 2020 – 2025, the Tanzania Development Vision 2025, the Five-Year Development Plan (FYDP II) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGS).

The Strategic Plan is organized into four (4) chapters. The first chapter covers the TBS organization structure and how the Bureau was established. The second chapter presents a situational analysis describing performance review of the implementation of the previous Strategic Plan (2016/2017 to 2020/2021). Chapter Three presents the actual plan covering key aspects such as mission, vision, core values, objectives, strategies, targets and key performance indicators. Chapter Four covers result framework and monitoring and evaluation plan.

This Strategic Plan, which covers the period of 2021/2022 to 2025/2026 guides the Bureau in management and effective utilization of resources in pursuit of standardization, quality assurance and metrology. The Plan describes Mission, Vision, Core Values, Mandate, Objectives, Strategies, Targets and Key Performance Indicators that have been derived from results of situation analysis which provide the reality of the TBS operating environment. The previous mission statement and vision have been improved in this Plan to incorporate issues of safety of food and cosmetics for the purpose of accommodating changes made by the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019.

The corporate objectives in this Plan, have been arranged by starting with crosscutting ones as follows: -

- i) HIV/AIDS Infections and Non-Communicable Diseases Reduced and Supportive Services Improved;
- ii) Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy enhanced and sustained;
- iii) Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced;
- iv) Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced; and
- v) Institutional capacity to deliver its mandated functions enhanced.

Rationale, strategies, targets, milestones and key performance indicators (both immediate output and outcome indicators) have been developed for each objective. Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-bound (SMART) targets and indicators have also been crafted for each objective so as to facilitate monitoring and evaluation and easy measurement of performance.

The monitoring and evaluation plan, a results framework matrix and reporting plan have been developed to bring about responsibility and accountability in the implementation of this Plan.



# **CHAPTER ONE**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter gives a short description of the Bureau's historical background, mandate, roles and functions, purpose of the Plan, approach adopted, layout and structure of the document.

# 1.1. Historical Background

Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) is the national standards body established by the government as part of the efforts to strengthen the supportive infrastructure for industry and commerce sectors across the economy within the country. The Bureau was established by Parliamentary Act No. 3 of 1975 as the National Standards Institute and became operational on 16<sup>th</sup> April 1976. Subsequently, it was renamed Tanzania Bureau of Standards under Act No. 1 of 1977. On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2009, the Standards Act No. 3 of 1975 was repealed and replaced by the Standards Act No. 2 of 2009, aimed at giving TBS more powers to oversee the implementation of standards.

Tanzania Bureau of Standards is a Parastatal Organization under the Ministry responsible for Industry and Trade. Specifically, the Bureau is mandated to prepare standards, to promote standardization and to undertake measures for quality control of products of all description in industry and commerce. In 2019, the Standards Act No. 2 of 2009, was further amended through Part VII of the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019 through which TBS was tasked with additional mandate of regulating safety and quality of food and cosmetic products in order to protect public health, the functions which were formerly executed by the now defunct Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA).

#### 1.2. TBS Mandate

According to the Standards Act Cap. 130, TBS is the custodian and overseer of the observance and implementation of standards in Tanzania. Specifically, the Bureau is mandated to prepare standards, promote standardization and undertake measures for quality control of products of all description in industry and commerce. Also, through Part VII of the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019, the Bureau is further mandated to regulate safety and quality of food and cosmetic products.

#### 1.3. Roles and Functions

Pursuant to Section 4 (1) (a-v) of the Standards Act Cap. 130, TBS has the following major functions:

- a) To undertake measures for quality control of commodities, services and environment of all descriptions and to promote standardization in industry and trade;
- b) To make arrangements or provide facilities for the testing and calibration of precision instruments, gauges and scientific apparatus, for the determination of their degree of accuracy and traceability by comparison with standards approved by the Minister responsible for Industry and Trade on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the Bureau, and for the issued of certificates in regard to them;
- c) To make arrangements or provide facilities for the examination and testing of commodities and any material or substance from or with which, and the manner in which, they may be manufactured, produced, processed or treated;



- d) To approve, register and control the use of standards marks in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- e) To grant, renew, suspend, vary or cancel any license issued for the use of any standards mark;
- f) To assist industries in setting up and enforcing quality assurance and environmental management systems procedures;
- g) To prepare, frame, modify or amend National Standards;
- h) To encourage or undertake educational work in connection with standardization quality assurance, metrology, testing and environment;
- i) To assist the Government or any other person in the preparation and framing of standards;
- j) To co-operate with other Government agencies, representatives of any industry or any other statutory corporation or person with a view to securing the adoption and practical application of standards;
- k) To provide for the inspection, sampling and testing of locally manufactured and imported commodities with a view to determining whether the commodities comply with the provisions of this Act or any other law dealing with standards relevant to those commodities;
- I) To inspect and register premises in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- m) To certify and register food, food products and cosmetics regulated under this Act;
- n) To act as the custodian of the National Measurement Standards of weights and measures and from time to time adjust, replace or cancel any standards where the adjustment, replacement or cancellation is necessary for the maintenance of conformity to the international standards;
- o) To be the signatory of the mutual recognition arrangement with other national metrology institutes;
- p) To collect, publish and disseminate literature and other materials on standardization and other related subjects and to provide facilities for the members of the public to have access to the materials:
- q) To carry-out, promote or assist in research on standardization and related subjects;
- r) To participate in, or to make arrangements for conferences, workshops, seminars and discussions on matters connected with the activities of the Bureau;
- s) To co-operate with regional and international organizations in all matters related to standardization and quality assurance and represent the country in such matters;
- t) To publish from time to time an updated version of a National Standard for the quantities and units of measurement to be used, which shall be in conformity with the latest version of the International System of Units;



- u) To undertake Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity (PVoC) to standards; and
- v) To do all other acts and things, and enter into any transactions, which are, in the opinion of the Board, expedient or necessary for the proper and efficient discharge of the functions of the Bureau.

In the performance of its functions, the Bureau has infrastructure to promote trade, health, safety, environment and general welfare of the people of the United Republic; and maintains, as far as may be practicable, a system of consultation and co-operation with any of the body established by or under any written law and having functions similar or relating to industrial or commercial standards generally.

#### 1.4. Purpose of the Plan

This Strategic Plan aims at improving the Bureau's performance and service delivery by facilitating creation of a more relevant institutional structure. Also, the Plan aims at increasing levels of institutional, departmental and individual accountability through improved transparency and communication between management, employees, clients and other stakeholders. It establishes priorities for efficient and effective resource allocation.

# 1.5. Approach

This TBS Strategic Plan was developed in participatory working sessions involving facilitators from the President's Office, Public Service and Good Governance as well as making use of performance results from the previous Strategic Plan.

This exercise also involved review of the Strategic Plan of 2016/2017 to 2020/2021 with reference to Sustainable Industrial Development Policy (SIDP) 1996-2020, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Policy 2003, National Trade Policy 2003, the Standards Act Cap. 130, Government Blueprint for Regulatory Reform to Improve Business Environment, the Ruling Party Manifesto of 2020 – 2025, the Tanzania Development Vision 2025, the Five Year Development Plan (FYDP II) of 2016/2017- 2020/2021, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGS) and the Integrated Industrial Development Strategy (IIDS).

The Plan also took into consideration the situational analysis which involved carrying out performance review of the previous SP, SWOC analysis, stakeholders' analysis and identification of critical issues. The identified critical issues were the basis for reviewing TBS vision, mission, objectives and core values and coming up with the revised strategic objectives. Strategies, targets and key performance indicators at all levels were also developed.

#### 1.6. Layout of the Plan

This document is organized into four chapters. Chapter One entails the historical background, mandate, roles and functions; the chapter also contains the purpose, approach and layout of the Plan. Chapter Two looks at the situational analysis and provides revised vision, mission and core values. The chapter also outlines the review of relevant information, best practices and benchmark, performance review, stakeholders' analysis, SWOC analysis, recent initiatives and critical issues.

Chapter Three presents the Plan, whereby the chapter looks at the objectives, strategies, targets and performance indicators. Chapter Four presents in details the results framework. Hence it provides the purpose and structure, the development objective, beneficiaries of TBS services, monitoring and planned reviews, rapid appraisals and reporting plan.



# **CHAPTER TWO**

#### 2. SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

This chapter presents analysis of the implementation of the previous Strategic Plan which was implemented by Tanzania Bureau of Standards, concentrating on the objectives that fall under the mandate of TBS. It also highlights on analysis of current vision and mission, review of relevant national planning frameworks, sector and cross cutting policies, stakeholders' analysis, SWOC analysis, recent initiatives and critical issues undertaken by the Bureau.

#### 2.1. Analysis of Current Vision, Mission and Core Values

#### **Current Vision**

'To be a centre of excellence in standardization, quality assurance and metrology services in Africa'

The analysis of this Vision depicts the following: -

- i) The mandate has changed by adding the safety issue for food and cosmetics that needs adoption.
- ii) The mandate orders TBS to be the custodian and overseer of the observance and implementation of standards in Tanzania not Africa as it is in the current Vision.
- iii) The uptake of reference in the Tanzania Development Vision 2025 is missing.

#### **Current Mission**

"To provide and promote standardization, quality assurance and metrology services for sustainable socio-economic development".

The analysis shows that the mission has the following shortcomings:

- i) The Mission lacks the strategic means to deliver the core business of TBS.
- ii) The Mission lacks information on to whom TBS provides its service that according to the mandate is industry and commerce.

#### 2.2. Review of Relevant Information

Review was made on different national frameworks, plans and policies to identify relevant issues that assisted in preparation of TBS Strategic Plan. The review made included the following: -

# a) Sustainable Industrial Development Policy (SIDP) 1996-2020

SIDP 1996 – 2020 recognizes the importance of TBS in development of industries in the country. The policy, among others, provides for promotion of standards and quality assurance in order to improve competitiveness of industrial products both in the domestic and export markets. In doing so, the Government will: -

- i) Strengthen the implementation of national standards and quality assurance as well as weights and measures (metrology) by provision of more legal power, adequate facilities and equipment and manpower;
- ii) Promote the formulation of new standards;
- iii) Allow qualified quality assurance units through ways of accreditation in areas of specialization; and
- iv) Develop the packaging technology.



#### b) Small and Medium Enterprise Development Policy 2003

This policy recognizes the Bureau as one of the institutions which play an important role in promoting SMEs development. The policy provides that "various institutions were established to support enterprise development in Tanzania. These institutions cater for the whole enterprise sector including SMEs. They include the Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) mandated to promote standards".

#### c) National Trade Policy 2003

The National Trade Policy 2003 recognizes that Tanzania Bureau of Standard as a public institution, will assist the Ministry responsible for Industry and Trade in regulating trade related issues in the country. The policy provides that "Technical Barriers to Trade (TBTs) and Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary (SPS) measures and other standards, are used as instruments of trade policy to authenticate the quality and specification of imports and exports in conformity with international safety requirements and regulations that largely aim at consumer protection. Tanzania has developed a combination of mandatory and voluntary standards, some of which have been adopted from International Standards Organizations (ISO)" to support competitiveness and market-led economy. The policy further provides that measures will be undertaken to protect the consumers against substandard and harmful products.

#### d) The Standards Act Cap. 130

Tanzania Bureau of Standards mandate and functions are drawn from the Standards Act Cap. 130 which gives the Bureau powers to perform its duties. Part II of the Standards Act stipulates the establishment and functions of the Bureau. It also stipulates that the Bureau shall be the custodian and an overseer of observance of standards in Tanzania, by performing all necessary actions legal or otherwise to discharge its duties to include that of regulating safety and quality of food and cosmetic products.

#### e) Government Blueprint for Regulatory Reform to Improve Business Environment

The Blueprint for Regulatory Reforms to Improve the Business Environment issued in January 2018 provides the Government's main framework for enabling a holistic review of business-enabling environment (BEE) in order to improve the business climate in Tanzania. It presents key challenges affecting the business environment in Tanzania along with a set of recommendations for reform to put in place a more business-friendly environment.

The key findings and recommendations of the Blueprint emphasize the principal reforms towards separation of revenue motives from the regulatory rationale of regulatory agencies, thus consolidating similar regulations and removing overlaps as well as treating regulations as an integral part of trade policy, competitiveness, protection of consumers and safeguarding the public goods.

TBS considers the Blueprint in a positive direction because the Bureau supports the Government's intention to improve business environment in the country by reducing multiple regulatory procedures to be followed by the business community. The Bureau has entered into Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with other regulatory organizations to ensure that business environment is improved. The institutions with which TBS has entered into MoU include Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO), Fair Competition Commission (FCC), National Institute of Transport (NIT), Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA), Zanzibar Bureau of Standards (ZBS), Tanzania Meat Board (TMB), Tanzania Dairy Board (TDB), College of Business Education (CBE) and Security Codes (GS1).



# f) The Ruling Party Manifesto of 2020 – 2025 (Chapter 2, Article 46-49)

The Ruling Party Manifesto of the year 2020 – 2025 recognizes that business environment is a drive towards industrialization and development of other economic and social sectors. In the period between 2020 and 2025, the Ruling Party will direct the government to continue improving business environment in the country. The manifesto requires the government to assist, nurture and create friendly environment for industries and investors by reducing the cost of doing business in Tanzania and prioritizing regional trade, i.e., trade within the East African Community (EAC), the Southern African Development Community (SADC) etc. through implementation of the Blueprint for Regulatory Reforms to Improve the Business Environment. TBS will comply with all directives given towards improvement of business environment in the country. Moreover, the Bureau will continue abiding by the government initiatives on removing/reducing unnecessary fees and charges imposed during service provision, hence providing support in the implementation of Business Environment Action Plan (BAP).

# g) Tanzania Development Vision 2025

Tanzania Development Vision 2025 stemmed from social and economic reform measures taken in response to the economic crisis of the 1980s, which resulted from failure of earlier development policies and strategies which were not compatible with the principles of a market-led economy and technology-driven development. Hence the vision is aimed at transforming Tanzania into a middle-income country by formulating a "strong and resilient economy that can effectively withstand global competition" and transforming the country's economy from depending predominantly on agriculture to a semi-industrialized economy with substantial industrial sector comparable to typical middle-income countries (Chapter 3, page 13).

#### h) Five Year Development Plan (FYDP II) OF 2016/2017 - 2020/2021

The Five-Year Development Plan (FYDP II) of 2016/2017- 2020/2021 aims at "Nurturing Industrialization for Economic Transformation and Human Development", with the main objective adopted from Vision 2025 of building a base for transforming Tanzania into a semi-industrialized, middle income country. This was viewed as only possible to be achieved through, among others, fostering economic growth. The Bureau has set itself a challenge to be one of the key players in the economy by facilitating trade through improving standardization and quality assurance services (Chapter 4: Strategic Interventions for Industrialization and Human Development, page 82 – Enabling environment: ease of doing business).

#### i) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a universal set of goals, targets and indicators that, as a UN member state, Tanzania is required/expected to use to frame its agendas and political policies over the next 15 years from 2015. They were developed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) which is one of the leading organizations working to fulfil the SDGs by the year 2030. TBS has an obligation through SDG number 9 which aims to help create economies with resilient infrastructure and promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization in line with Tanzanian FYDP II and TDV 2025. The Bureau has a mandate to monitor innovation through technological progress and infrastructure while promoting sustainable industries, through its mandate of standardization and quality assurance to facilitate sustainable development.

# j) Integrated Industrial Development Strategy (IIDS)

Integrated Industrial Development Strategy (IIDS) has a vision to build an internationally competitive business environment through the formation of an industrial infrastructure



and transformation of Tanzania into an industrial and logistics hub of East and Central Africa.

The Strategy acknowledges that this could only be achieved through expansion and extension of existing development corridors and the creation of an export-import platform; and promotion of rural industrialization through an agriculture development-led industrialization. It further emphasizes on growth opportunities for all growth-oriented Micro, Small and Medium Scale Enterprises and Entrepreneurs through provision of attentive supporting measures. IIDS target is for Tanzania manufacturing sector to grow on an average of 15 % per annum and attain a gross manufacturing value of 16 billion US Dollars and 23% share in GDP composition by 2025 (Chapter 1, page 1).

#### k) National Anti-Corruption Strategy

The Government of Tanzania has emphasized that Good Governance is a priority in achieving National Development Goals. Good governance will always be the factor in promoting and strengthening peace and stability, economic growth, social welfare and poverty reduction in the country; and generally, in the implementation of various improvements in the Public Sector, such as Public Service, Public Finance Management, Legal Sector and Local Governments.

One of the instruments to ensure good governance is National Anti-Corruption Strategy. The Anti-Corruption Strategy mainly targets strengthening effectiveness, transparency and accountability of service delivery in the Public Sector; effective implementation strategies for the fight against corruption; building capacity for fighting against corruption; and having effective political leadership in the fight against corruption. The Bureau recognizes that it must be a corruption-free area, hence, it will continue strengthening anti-corruption mechanism.

#### I) HIV/AIDS and Non-Communicable Diseases Guideline of 2014

HIV/AIDS was announced a national calamity in the year 1999. To date, several initiatives have been taken by the Government in reducing infection rate through provision of care and support as well as creation of awareness to the general public.

Furthermore, non-communicable diseases have been earmarked as a threat to social economic development in the country. Hence, as a means of protecting public health the Government through its public institutions is supposed to provide care and support in fighting against non-communicable diseases at the workplace.

TBS as a Government institution abides by the requirements provided under Chapter 3 of the guideline. In doing so, the Bureau sets funds for provision of care and support as well as creating awareness to its staff in fighting against HIV/AIDS and non-communicable diseases.

### 2.3. Best Practices and Benchmark

The Quality Infrastructure (QI) composed of Standards, Metrology, Accreditation and Conformity Assessment (inspection, certification and laboratory testing) enables the enhancement of the competitiveness of local industries, promotion of fair trade and protection of health and safety of the consumers, including prevention of trade in sub-standard goods. The QI is important to an economy in a number of interdependent ways which support economic development through the production of competitive products and also enhance the quality of life through the promotion of safety, quality, health and environmental protection. The coordination of the provision of standards, metrology and conformity assessment



services in Tanzania is mandated to Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) through the Standards Act Cap. 130.

The World Trade Organization (WTO) agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) recognizes that standards and conformity assessment systems improve efficiency of production and facilitate the conduct of international trade and therefore encourages the development of such systems nationally. The EAC Region through the SQMT Act provides for flexibilities in implementation of Quality Infrastructure (QI) and points out that objectives of QIs must be fulfilled by the National Standards Bodies (NSB) and practices of quality systems. The national standards can be designated in such a way as a single institution combining a number of responsibilities or two or more institutions each with its own designated responsibilities.

For this case, Tanzania adopted the model for a single institution, that is TBS, to carry out standards, conformity assessment and metrology. In addition, TBS handles all matters on WTO Sanitary and Phyto-sanitary (SPS) Measures for food safety, animal health and plant health. The consolidated model of the QI is also practiced in Uganda, Rwanda, Mozambique, Botswana and Kenya, to mention but a few. However, there is a slight difference on how the functions are managed in the country's NSB and other countries combine legal and industrial metrology within one institution. Moreover, unlike Tanzania, other countries handle matters related to WTO SPS and WTO TBT in separate institutions.

The international best practice is to isolate standards, conformity assessment, metrology and accreditation in order to avoid conflict of interest. This model is expensive to implement for less developed countries although some countries are trying to migrate to the international best practice such as South Africa, Egypt, Ethiopia and Nigeria as examples.

#### 2.4. Result of Service Delivery Surveys

#### 2.4.1. Customer Satisfaction Survey

Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) engaged Tanzania Industrial Research Development Organization (TIRDO) to conduct Customer Satisfaction Survey as per the requirement of ISO 9001:2015. The survey aimed at examining the customer satisfaction level on TBS's internal and external customers as well as the general public. It addressed the factors that contribute or hinder effective and efficient customer service delivery for services offered by the Bureau and also highlighted priority issues that need to be addressed in order to make the Bureau more customer-centric.

The survey was conducted in 9 regions for two (2) consecutive years (2016/2017 and 2017/2018) namely Mara, Dar es Salaam, Mbeya, Arusha, Iringa, Mwanza, Tanga, Tabora and Morogoro. Moreover, in the Financial Year 2019/2020 the study was conducted in 9 other regions namely Coast, Manyara, Kilimanjaro, Singida, Dodoma, Simiyu, Kagera, Katavi and Ruvuma, wherein internal and external customers and the general public were interviewed on their satisfaction on services delivered by TBS. The survey was guided by the following specific objectives;

- i) To examine the level of satisfaction of TBS services to its customers;
- ii) To compare the overall service delivery with related organizations;
- iii) To identify areas of focus to improve on TBS service delivery;
- iv) To identify opportunities for TBS;
- v) To analyze the awareness level of TBS and its services to the general public;

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vi) To analyze the image of TBS and perception of the general public; and vii) To identify public opinion on substandard goods and way forward.

The data was collected through questionnaires, face to face interviews and focus group discussions. Questionnaires were used to collect both qualitative and quantitative data while the focus group discussions were used to collect only qualitative data.

The sample size covered in the survey for the financial years 2016/2017, 2017/2018 and 2019/2020 was: TBS employees (454); TBS external customers (305); and general public (2004). The research findings revealed the following:

- a) External customer satisfaction on average for the surveyed years was 88.9% while employees' level of satisfaction was 70.3%.
- b) The overall service delivery of TBS compared to other institutions which perform related activities or work closely/in collaboration with the Bureau such as TFDA, OSHA, NEMC, GCLA, BRELA, GS1, ZFDA, TMDA, TFS, BoT, WMA, TRA, SIDO, with respect to timely service delivery, customer care, professionalism and workers' integrity, is comparable to the aforementioned institutions. Nevertheless, timely delivery of services and awareness creation were highly recommended for improvement for good performance.
- c) Areas of focus for improvement were to increase number of human resources, improve remuneration, effective communication and feedback, customer care training, reinforcement of regulations and by-laws, improve work environment, create more opportunities for career development, provide more opportunities on training and skill development, create awareness on TBS services to internal and external customers, and the general public, develop standards for products with no standards, expand laboratory services to zonal offices and improve service delivery system so as to shorten turnaround time.
- d) The identified opportunities include establishment of communication system between TBS and the public, opening of regional offices and laboratories, raising awareness to the public, providing export permit to all exported goods, introducing quality and standardization courses in school curriculum, providing standards mark for all goods (domestic and imported) and recognizing enterprises with high quality products.
- e) The public awareness on TBS services was examined on whether the public has ever heard of TBS, was aware of TBS responsibilities, and the ability to differentiate between the TBS logo and the standards mark. More than 90% of respondents seemed to be aware (heard) of TBS existence, whereby more than 60% were informed through media. The findings further showed that, about 47% of respondents are aware of services offered by TBS (responsibilities) although some still confuse TBS responsibilities with other institutions' responsibilities and above 60% could differentiate the TBS logo from the standards mark.
- f) The image of the Bureau to the general public is perceived good by the majority of the respondents (67.2%) and viewed as an organization very relevant to producers and the general public having a role of supporting business and protecting consumers.



g) General public seemed to confuse between substandard and counterfeit (fake) goods, though findings revealed 44.1% of respondents to be aware of substandard goods and suggested TBS to perform effective inspection, reinforce regulations and by-laws, strengthen control at points of entry and educate the general public to shun substandard goods.

The studies concluded that overall TBS customers were satisfied with the services offered by the Bureau, TBS services are reliable and accessible, the image of the Bureau to the general public is good, the quality of services provided by TBS is comparable to the quality of services provided by related institutions and the general public's awareness about TBS is high, although some confuse the Bureau's responsibilities/services with those of other institutions.

However, very few respondents were aware of substandard goods and confused them with fake goods. Generally, the performance of TBS is satisfactory.

It was recommended that TBS should expand laboratory services to zonal offices, raise awareness on its services to internal, external and general public, improve system of service delivery to shorten turnaround time, reinforce regulations and by-laws, launch an educational programme starting from primary school, enforce standards for food products produced by SMEs, train staff on customer care, improve staff remuneration and working environment and increase the number of human resources.

# 2.4.2. Impact of Standards on Industrial Products

Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) conducted an evaluation for the Five Years Strategic Plan (2016/2017 – 2020/2021) on Impact of Standards on Industrial Products.

The study was conducted in 7 regions of Tanzania namely Dar es Salaam, Coast, Arusha, Dodoma, Tanga, Mbeya and Mwanza and reached 271 industries.

The study was guided by three specific objectives, namely:

- i) Analyzing if standards are used in production;
- ii) Examining whether there are changes in sales after application of standards; and
- iii) Examining whether the products are exported or sold in local markets.

The survey employed a quantitative approach in which purposive sampling was done using a guiding list of industries and regions shared by TBS. The questionnaires were physically and virtually administered and results later analyzed using the STATA program.

The study findings are discussed in two major categories namely background findings and key findings. In the background findings, the study reveals that there were more small and large industries than were medium scale industries. The majority of the industries (62%) were certified.

The Coast region had more small industries while Dar es Salaam dominated the medium and large industries categories in the key findings. The study reveals that there is a wide use of product standards by the industries. However, the majority do not use system standards. Generally, 100 industries had at least one of the 3



system standards (ISO 22000, ISO 9001:2015 and HACCP) while 171 had none of the three system standards investigated by the study. For the product standards, 62% were seen to be using the standards.

The main reasons for not using the standards were given as lack of awareness, non-existence of the required standards and the process of acquiring the standards. The study also established that 87% of the respondents who use TBS standards purchase them physically from the TBS offices while only 7% purchase them online.

In the five years of the Strategic Plan for 2016/17 - 2020/21, TBS developed 1,608 standards. However, the study established that only 150 standards were being used by the industries out of which only 30 standards were part of the 1,608 developed in the Strategic Plan period.

In examining the impact of standards on the sales and markets of the industries, the study established that it was a bit difficult to quantify monetary impact of conformity to standards in the industries' sales. However, the industries listed the main impact of using standards as winning customer confidence and trust followed by ease of market access. For all categories, the local market is still a dominant destination. For the small industries category, 79.6% sell their products in the local market only while for the large industries 54.4% sell their products in both local and export markets.

In conclusion, the survey confirms that the standards are used by the industries and that there is an impact of the standards on the sales and market access by the industries. However, there is a general need for awareness sensitization and facilitation of increased access to standards by the industries. The study also reveals that there lies a potential in using standards for the export market, a potential that has not been tapped, hence, the small number of industries in this market.

#### It was recommended that:

- i) TBS should increase its sensitization and awareness campaigns on standards;
- ii) TBS should play a more facilitating role to enhance increased standards compliance by industries;
- iii) TBS should regularly review standards to ensure that they are compatible with the current market and technological changes; and
- iv) The TBS database on standards and industries should be made more user-friendly and be consistent in presentation.

#### 2.4.3. Level of Awareness on Product Quality

Tanzania Bureau of Standards conducted an evaluation for the Five Years Strategic Plan (2016/2017 – 2020/2021). The purpose of the evaluation was to provide inputs for the development of a new Strategic Plan (2021/22- 2022- 2025/26). One among the items that were expected to feed the new Strategic Plan was the understanding of the level of awareness on product quality among consumers.

In order to gather data on the same, TBS arranged for a countrywide survey that took place in ten administrative regions of Dar es Salaam, Mtwara, Iringa, Manyara, Kilimanjaro, Mara, Mwanza, Kagera, Kigoma and Tabora.

The study was guided by three specific objectives, namely:

i) Examining whether consumers are quality conscious when purchasing products;



- ii) Determining what consumers perceive as quality products; and
- iii) Examine the consumer preference and consideration when purchasing a product.

A total of 1028 consumers were interviewed using a developed questionnaire that captured the level of awareness on product quality.

The analysis was done by constructing attributes that capture the specific objectives of the study to obtain their relative importance across regions. Out of the ten regions studied, nine (90%) were found to be conscious with expiring dates, except for Iringa region where it is the unique features of a product that arouse their suspicion.

Further, regarding consumer perception of quality products, two results were predominant. For Tabora, Kigoma, Kagera, Mara and Iringa regions, consumers consider "products that fit their specifications" as being quality products, whereas results from Mwanza, Dar es Salaam, Mtwara, Manyara and Kilimanjaro revealed that "products with standards marks" are the ones that are of good quality.

With regard to consumers' considerations when purchasing a product, there were varied opinions among the given options. The regions of Tabora, Kigoma, Kagera, Mwanza, Dar es Salaam and Kilimanjaro reported "value for money" as being a consideration for purchasing a product while quantity consideration was reported for Iringa and Manyara regions. Brand and packaging considerations were predominant in the regions of Mara and Mtwara respectively.

#### It was recommended that;

- i) The Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) should open offices/branches in all regions in Tanzania to facilitate inspection and monitoring of products quality. Currently, TBS has got offices in a few selected regions;
- ii) TBS should improve enforcement and surveillance inspections especially at borders;
- iii) TBS should make sure that label information on products is visible and readable (use big letters and/or coloured labels/standards mark);
- iv) TBS should make sure that all products approved by TBS and bearing the standards mark comply with respective requirements and are in good quality;
- v) TBS should come up with strategies on how to reach Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) whose products do not bear the TBS standards mark of quality but are in the market; and
- vi) TBS should improve reporting system particularly on how to receive complaints or feedback from consumers. Currently people are unable to report as they do not know where to report on such matters.

#### 2.5. Performance Reviews

The activities related to regulatory services as per the previous Strategic Plan 2016/2017 to 2020/2021 were evaluated to determine their achievement, performance, challenges and way forward as follows:

#### OBJECTIVE A: HIV/AIDS Infections Reduced and Supportive Services Improved

#### Achievements

i) The Bureau has incentive support for HIV positive staff by providing them with monthly special allowance.



- ii) Internal HIV/AIDS Policy was prepared and operationalised as a tool for preparing and implementing HIV and AIDS preventive programme.
- iii) A total number of 403 staff attended Voluntary Counselling and Testing on HIV. The screening revealed that, three (3) members of staff which is 1% of the total staff were HIV positive. Besides that, in 2016/2017 to 2020/2021 a total of eight (8) HIV/AIDS awareness seminars were conducted whereby 5 were held at the Bureau's headquarter, and the remaining three seminars were conducted in Dodoma, Mtwara and Mbeya regions.
- iv) Staff participated in the World HIV/AIDS Day on 1st December each year to build awareness.

i) Scarcity of funds led to inadequate HIV/AIDS seminars to be conducted to the zonal and border offices

#### Way forward

- i) Sustainable awareness programme in voluntary HIV testing to staff.
- ii) Review of HIV/AIDS Internal Policy.
- iii) Create awareness on non-communicable diseases to staff.

#### **OBJECTIVE B: Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy**

#### **Achievements**

- i) Regular awareness programmes on corruption issues and implementation of internal Anti-Corruption Action Plan and National Anti-Corruption Strategy, Action Plan (NASCAP III 2017 2022) and other governing laws and regulations were given to 232 Staff.
- ii) A total number of 626 staff took oath. The process alerts staff on the importance of defending the Public Service and declaring commitment against corrupt practices.

#### **Constraints**

i) Absence of Internal Policy regarding Code of Ethics and Integrity

#### Way forward

- i) Development of Internal Policy regarding Code of Ethics and Integrity
- ii) Increase awareness on Anti-Corruption to Staff
- iii) Establishment of whistle blowing mechanism

#### **OBJECTIVE C: Enhanced Standardization**

# **Achievements**

- i) Increased number of national standards developed from 1500 to 2675 from 2016/2017 to 2020/2021 which is 78% increase. Among those developed standards 514 are harmonized standards and 350 are adopted standards. The increase of harmonised standards has strengthened international cooperation on standardisation, quality assurance and metrology services which has improved access across borders market and strengthened the national economy. The achievement has also ensured protection of human health and safety.
- ii) Increased quality products to consumers as an impact of uptake of standards by MSMEs.
- iii) 159 training seminars were conducted to MSMEs where 12,395 MSMEs were trained for the purpose of capacity building in order to access domestic and international markets through standardization. The number of MSMEs trained increased from 4,712 to 7,683 which supported the level of stakeholders to access domestic and international markets.



- i) Inadequate expertise in particular economic subsector
- ii) Low participation of targeted trainee groups

#### Way forward

- i) Training to available standards officers to improve their expertise
- ii) Improve expert participation in standards development process
- iii) Enhancement of stakeholders' participation in standards development process (public review)
- iv) Improve collaboration with other relevant authorities in conducting training
- v) Translation of developed standards into Swahili language for easy understanding and acceptance to all groups

#### **OBJECTIVE D: Improved Conformity to Standards**

#### **Achievements**

- i) 25 awareness programmes through various methods such as advertisements and special media programs in different media including social media platforms, community awareness campaigns in 27 districts, documentaries, community radios and 290 awareness training were conducted to the public for promotion of standards, quality assurance and metrology services to build quality culture to stakeholders and the general public.
- ii) 1,367 certificates were issued to local manufacturers; this increases the level of compliance for locally manufactured products and protects consumers' safety, health and the environment and ensures value for money as far as economy is concerned. Also, certification build confidence in implementing conformity assessment and metrology services.
- iii) The number of samples tested to assess conformity of products to national, regional or international standards has increased from 22,909 in FY 2016/2017 to 34,464 in FY 2020/2021, which is equivalent to 50% increase. This achievement promoted quality products in the market for consumers and the general public.
- iv) The number of measurement instruments calibrated against national standards for conformity assessment has increased from 5,774 in FY 2016/2017 to 9,125 in FY 2020/2021 which is equivalent to 58% increase of measurement instruments calibrated. These enabled industries to control quality of products and service to be consumed by stakeholders.
- v) The number of accredited laboratories has increased from 4 in FY 2016/2017 to 7 in FY 2020/2021 which is equivalent to 75%. This has gained trust to national and international community therefore paving way for access to the international market.
- vi) The number of proficiency testing/inter-laboratory comparisons has increased from 22 in FY 2016/2017 to 46 in FY 2020/2021 which is equivalent to 209%. This has increased trust to foreign and international laboratories.
- vii)The number of equipment procured has increased from 49 in FY 2016/2017 to 112 in FY 2020/2021 which is equivalent to 129%. This improved service delivery by reducing turnaround time.
- viii)The number of standards mark licenses issued has increased from 851 for five previous years (2011/12 2015/16) as compared to 1,657 licences issued from 2016/17 2020/21 which is equivalent to 94.7%. Standards mark licences facilitate trade and build confidence among customers.
- ix) The number of exporters who were supported through technical assistance to exporters (TAE) has increased from 20 in FY 2016/2017 to 58 in FY 2020/2021 which is equivalent to 190%. This enhanced the market penetration to regional and



- international markets which improved the wellbeing and recognition of the MSMEs in international market.
- x) The number of applications for management system certification received has increased from 2 in FY 2016/2017 to 10 in FY 2020/2021. System certification facilitates trade and builds confidence among customers.

- i) Existence of porous borders (unofficial entry points) which leads to illegal importation of substandard products.
- ii) Failure of manufacturers to produce goods which are not in compliance with standards requirements due to lack of skills, technology and equipment.
- iii) Poor participation of stakeholders in formulation and implementation of standards.
- iv) Inadequate number of staff to carry out training and certification for Quality Management Systems.

# Way forward

- i) Improve coverage and intensity of conformity to standards
- ii) Improve service delivery through decentralization of laboratory services
- iii) Opening of more border offices
- iv) Signing of MoU with other authorities for easy execution of TBS services and minimization of costs to clients

#### **OBJECTIVE E: Improved Efficiency in Service Delivery**

#### **Achievements**

- i) Automated Management Information System which has eased Standardization, Quality Assurance, Metrology and Testing services e.g.:
  - ✓ Online Application System which is used for application of import clearance permits, food and cosmetics premise registration as well as food and cosmetics products registration:
  - ✓ Electronic Payment System (ePS) which is used for generating debit advice; and
  - ✓ ISQMT which is used for online standards development processes, sample registration, generating and sending test reports to customers as well as issuance of batch certificates.
- ii) Strengthened standardization, quality assurance, testing and metrology services influenced increasing of own source revenue, e.g., in Financial Year 2016/2017 Tsh 40,109,197,000/= was collected and in Financial Year 2019/2020 Tsh 46,580,988,467/= was collected (increased collected amount was Tsh 6,471,791,467 equivalent to 16.1%).
- iii) Rewarded for unmodified audit opinion on annual external audit report (Audit Report from CAG) in the Financial Years 2016/2017, 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 as a result of strict internal control systems.
- iv) Capacity building through various training programmes to staff that influence performance improvement of the Bureau, such as, in the Financial Years 2017/2018, 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 a total number of 37 long courses and 205 short courses training were provided.
- v) Strengthened human resources through recruitment and transfer, from the Financial Year 2017/2018 2019/2020, a total number of 127 staff were recruited and 160 staff were transferred into the Bureau.
- vi) Promotion of awareness to the general public and business community, where awareness campaigns reached a total of 54,394 different groups of stakeholders in 27 districts including Kakonko, Kondoa, Urambo, Mpanda, Ludewa and Rungwe.



- vii)Construction and operationalization of New Test House building as part of strengthening employees' working environment and welfare that influence staff performance.
- viii)Reviewed and operationalized the organization structure which enables establishment and full operation of Zonal Offices for easy accessibility of the Bureau's services.

- i) Absence of Zonal Laboratories
- ii) Absence of Succession Plan
- iii) Absence of Risk Management Policy and Framework

# Way forward

- i) Strengthen coverage and intensity of conformity to standards
- ii) Strengthen automation of Management Information System
- iii) Development of Succession Plan
- iv) Development of Risk Management Policy and Framework

# 2.6. Stakeholders Analysis

The development of this Strategic Plan involved analysis of stakeholders on various areas relevant to the mandated functions of the Bureau. The TBS stakeholders' analysis is presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Stakeholders Analysis Matrix

SN	Stakeholder	Service Offered	Expectations
1.	Ministry of Industry and Trade	i) Performance reports ii) Audited accounts iii) Annual budget and plans iv) Technical advice on SQMT matters	<ul> <li>i) Accurate and timely reports</li> <li>ii) Informed, professional and timely advice</li> <li>iii) Compliant budgets and plans</li> <li>iv) Compliance with Government policies/guidelines</li> <li>v) Cooperation within the ministry and other Government related institutions</li> </ul>
2.	TBS employees	i) Remuneration ii) Incentive package iii) Working environment iv) Infrastructure and working tools v) Provision of information vi) Career development	<ul> <li>i) Timely payment of remuneration</li> <li>ii) Good incentive package</li> <li>iii) Conducive working environment</li> <li>iv) Good infrastructure and quality working tools</li> <li>v) Accurate and timely information</li> <li>vi) Good industrial relations</li> <li>vii) Transparency and accountability</li> <li>viii)Participation in decision making process</li> <li>ix) Career development</li> <li>x) Promotion</li> </ul>
3.	Treasury Registrar's Office	<ul><li>i) Provision of performance reports</li><li>ii) Annual budget and plans</li></ul>	i) Accurate and timely reports ii) Adhering to Government policies, guidelines and directives



SN	Stakeholder	Service Offered	Expectations
4.	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)	i) Provision of SQMT  ii) Provision of training   and technical advice on   SQMT, GHP and GMP   matters  iii) Subsidized service	i) Appropriate training ii) Timely and reliable advice iii) Good customer care
5.	Regulatory Bodies	i) Provision of SQMT ii) Provision of technical advice	<ul> <li>i) Updated standards</li> <li>ii) Accurate and timely technical advice</li> <li>iii) Accurate, reliable and timely testing and calibration results</li> <li>iv) Timely certification</li> <li>v) Good customer care</li> </ul>
6.	General public	<ul><li>i) Provision of information on SQMT</li><li>ii) Awareness creation on SQMT issues</li></ul>	i) Timely and accurate information
7.	Zanzibar Bureau of Standards (ZBS)	<ul> <li>i) Provision of training and technical advice on SQMT matters</li> <li>ii) Provision of information on SQMT matters</li> <li>iii) Provision of SQMT</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>i) Timely and reliable information on SQMT matters</li> <li>ii) Timely and reliable SQMT training and technical advice</li> <li>iii) Good cooperation in SQMT issues</li> </ul>
8.	Practitioners in testing and calibration	<ul> <li>i) Provision of standards</li> <li>ii) Provision of proficiency testing</li> <li>iii) Provision of testing and calibration</li> <li>iv) Capacity building on testing and calibration</li> </ul>	i) Up to date standards ii) Accurate, reliable and timely testing and calibration results iii) Accurate and timely proficiency testing results iv) Appropriate training
9.	Higher Learning & Research Institutions	<ul><li>i) Provision of SQMT</li><li>ii) Supporting practical training</li><li>iii) Supporting research work related to SQMT</li></ul>	<ul> <li>i) Accurate, reliable and timely, certification, testing and calibration results</li> <li>ii) Reliable and timely training</li> <li>iii) Credible data</li> </ul>
10.	Associations (Private sector and business community)	<ul> <li>i) Provision of information on SQMT</li> <li>ii) Provision of technical advice on SQMT</li> <li>iii) Provision of Management System Certification (MSC)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>i) Timely Management System Certification (MSC)</li><li>ii) Timely and reliable information and technical advice</li></ul>



SN	Stakeholder	Service Offered	Expectations
11.	Standards Bodies (Foreign, Regional and International)	<ul> <li>i) Provision of technical inputs in standardization activities</li> <li>ii) Active participation in development and harmonization of standards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>i) Timely and reliable inputs for development and harmonization of standards</li> <li>ii) Timely submission of reports and sharing of information</li> </ul>
12.	Regional and international bodies on Metrology, Quality Assurance and Testing	<ul> <li>i) Provision of information on metrology, testing and quality assurance matters</li> <li>ii) Active participation in quality assurance issues</li> <li>iii) Provision of training and technical advice (attachments)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>i) Timely dissemination of information</li> <li>ii) Proper handling of artefacts (PT samples)</li> <li>iii) Accurate and timely technical advice and appropriate training</li> </ul>
13.	Ministries, Independent Departments, Agencies and Local Government Authorities	<ul> <li>i) Provision of information on SQMT matters</li> <li>ii) Provision of technical advice on SQMT</li> <li>iii) Provision of Management System Certification (MSC)</li> </ul>	i) Timely dissemination of information ii) Accurate and timely technical advice
14.	Manufacturers, Importers and Exporters	<ul> <li>i) Technical advice         on importation and         exportation of goods         ii) Provision of SQMT         iii) Provision of training         and technical advice on         SQMT, GHP and GMP         matters</li> </ul>	i) Updated standards ii) Accurate and timely test results iii) Accurate, reliable and timely calibration results iv) Good customer care v) Appropriate training vi) Timely and reliable advice
15.	Development Partners	i) Submission of project proposals ii) Provision of accountability reports	i) Accurate and timely submission of reports ii) Viable and feasible proposals
16.	Economic operators (goods, works, consultancy and non-consultancy providers)	i) Provision of procurement information	i) Accurate information ii) Prompt payment iii) Fair procurement processes
17.	Media	i) Provision of public related information	i) Accurate and timely information



#### 2.7. SWOC Analysis

Analysis was made to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges with respect to regulatory environment of TBS as follows: -

#### **STRENGTHS**

# i) Availability of skilled and competent personnel

The Bureau has highly skilled and competent staff for executing its mandate. This competency has been a result of the institutional culture that encourages innovation and skill development by using internal and external resources.

# ii) Availability of human resource development working tools

The Bureau ensures team-work culture and provision of working tools, good working environment and staff development welfare. Other supporting tools are developed and reviewed timely; such tools include Human Resources Procedures, Training Programme, HIV/AIDS and NCDs Policy, Housing Policy, Training Policy, Insurance Policy and Internship Guideline.

# iii) Existence of Performance Management Systems like OPRAS, performance reports and meetings

Since the Government of Tanzania initiated a process of Open Performance Review and Appraisal System (OPRAS), the Bureau adopted it as a tool to evaluate performance of its staff.

#### iv) Existence of the Standards Act Cap. 130 and the Financial Act of 2019

Since the Bureau's establishment under the Standards Act Cap. 130 and the enactment of the Financial Act of 2019 and its Regulations, the Bureau continues to perform its mandate with the aim of protecting public health and facilitating trade.

#### v) ISO 9001:2015 Certified Organization

The Bureau continues to be the custodian and an overseer of observance of standards in Tanzania. The Bureau develops national standards and implements them through conformity assessment. Furthermore, the institution participates in regional and international standards development and harmonization. Moreover, the Bureau is ISO 9001:2015 certified and most of its laboratories are accredited against ISO/IEC 17025:2017.

#### vi) Management Information Systems

The existence of improved working environment and automated processes at the Bureau has resulted into reduced bureaucratic and unethical practices. Management information systems available currently are i-SQMT, electronic Payment System (e-PS), Online Application System (OAS), e-learning portal, Navision, Webstore, QualiMIS, Government Mailing System and Biometric fingerprint.

# vii)Collaboration with other regulatory authorities

The Bureau implements the Government initiatives of reducing overlapping practices among the regulatory authorities. As part of the efforts to eliminate overlaps and duplications, the Bureau has signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with other regulatory authorities to create smooth operation.



#### viii)Internal control of Financial Management

TBS has built mechanisms of internal financial control and availability of related working tools together with implementation of Strategic Plan, budgets, annual operation plans and Government directives.

# ix) Customer care and sharing of information

TBS has created an environment for customers to know their rights. The Bureau's staff are committed in handling customers with high integrity and are customer focused. Various mechanisms of handling customer complaints have been established and are operating. Furthermore, the Bureau shares public information and provides feedback in accurate and timely manner to its customers and the general public via the existence of mechanisms such as the National Enquiry Point (NEP), Library services, stakeholders' engagement and others.

# x) Existence of infrastructure

Since its establishment, TBS has continued to make significant improvements on infrastructure and facilities at its working stations for the purpose of providing a conducive operating environment for the Bureau to carry out its mandate. These efforts have contributed to the sustainable socio-economic development.

#### **WEAKNESSES**

#### i) Absence/Outdated management tools

Some of the Bureau's financial and human resource management tools are either missing or outdated which hinders institutional effective decision making. Outdated tools include Staff and Administration Regulations, Schemes of Service, Financial Regulations and Accounting Manual while Human Resources Policy is not in place.

#### ii) Inadequate legal instruments and guidelines

Currently the Bureau has no regulations to facilitate its mandate of registration of food and cosmetics premises and products which hinder smooth implementation of the Bureau's services and contribute to inadequate enforcement on conformity to standards.

#### iii) Inadequate human resource

The Bureau has inadequate human resource which contributes to failure in meeting customer expectations and commitments declared under the institutional Client Service Charter.

#### iv) Inadequate capacity and infrastructure

The Bureau has inadequate infrastructure for handling disabled people, waste water management, inspection samples and testing and transport facilities, thus hindering effective and efficient standardization process.



#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

### i) Existence of skilled labour in the market

Academic institutions and Industrial Sector in Tanzania produce skilled personnel that can contribute expertise if hired by the Bureau.

# ii) Good labour relations with Government and its institutions and private sector

Support on staffing, budgeting and working environment gives the Bureau suitable platform to implement its mandated functions.

### iii) Existence of Government Staff Loan Policy

TBS staff have a room to improve their lives through access to Government staff loan facility, thus boosting morale at work places.

# iv) Availability of training programme

Work efficiency can be increased through training; thus, helping the Bureau to accomplish its corporate objectives.

# v) Presence of e-Government Authority to support Bureau's ICT matters

TBS has a room to develop and maintain management information systems under supervision and support from the Government.

#### vi) Availability of consumers of Bureau's services

This builds trust to consumers on the services offered by the Bureau.

# vii) Availability of Government financial controls systems

TBS shall effectively use financial resources when performing its mandated functions.

#### viii) Presence of online collection and payment systems (GePG)

TBS shall collect payments from the offered services through electronic systems in order to serve many customers at a time, thus facilitating trade.

#### ix) Operationalization of Tanzania Electronic Single Window System (TeSWS)

Importers and exporters will be offered services from all the respective Government departments/institutions through a single system, thus facilitating trade.

# x) Stakeholders' trust on TBS

TBS will achieve its ambition of preventing substandard products in Tanzania, due to the fact that the society will only consume quality products and services.

# xi) Stakeholders' demand for TBS activities

This shows the importance of the Bureau in industry and commerce on delivering standardization, quality assurance, metrology and testing services.

#### xii) Collaboration of TBS with other stakeholders

Good collaboration between the Bureau and stakeholders provides better environment for describing and clarifying acts, regulations and procedures for compliance purposes.



# xiii) Modern technology to support TBS activities

Modern technology enables the Bureau to reduce its operational costs and timely deliver services to industry, commerce and the general public.

### xiv) Availability of buildings for rent

Existence of office space for rent provides a room to the Bureau to open new offices when need arises.

# xv) Existence of testing facilities from other stakeholders

The Bureau has room to subcontract testing activities to competent laboratories when lacking internal capacity.

#### xvi) Existence of other transport facilities

The Bureau has room to use other transport facilities in the market in the performance of its mandated functions.

# xvii) Existence of municipal waste management facilities

The Bureau has room to destruct and/or dump wastes at the recognized facilities in Tanzania.

#### xviii) Existence of suppliers and infrastructure maintenance service providers

The existence of suppliers of maintenance and repair services in the market gives the Bureau a chance of acquiring competent firms when need arises.

# xix) Government support on implementation of Organization Structure

Support on staffing, budgeting, remuneration and working environment gives the Bureau suitable platform to implement its mandated functions.

#### xx) Availability of competence in leadership outside the organization

Existence of competent leaders in the market allows the Bureau to hire expertise when need arises.

#### xxi) Political stability

The Bureau will have a room to deliver its mandated functions in a politically stable society due to the fact that there will be existence of industry and commerce because of good environment for investment.

#### xxii) Existence of Ruling Party Manifesto for 2020 election

The Bureau shall get matters to work on during the lifetime of the manifesto specifically when reviewing the intended policies.

# xxiii) High demand for SQMT services for industrialization and trade

The Bureau will have room to execute its mandated functions since there is higher demand of services in the market.

# xxiv) Existence of Industrialization Policy and FYDP (II) and (III)

The Bureau will have room for performing its mandated functions in the presence of Industrialization Policy and FYDP (II) and (III).

# xxv) Existence of reforms to create good business environment (Blueprint)

The existence of reforms like the Blueprint gives the Bureau room to perform its mandated functions without confusing the business community, thus facilitating trade.



#### xxvi) Existence of economic cooperation and integration

The existence of economic cooperation and integration gives the Bureau room of using regional harmonized standards and eases movement of recognized certified goods across the borders.

# xxvii) Existence of MSMEs Policy of 2003

The Bureau will have room for performing its mandated functions in the presence of the MSMEs Policy of 2003.

# xxviii) Existence of good relationship with general public

Good relationship with the general public provides better environment for describing and clarifying the acts, regulations and procedures for compliance purposes. Also, the good relations with the general public will increase uptake of standards.

# xxix) Existence of social media

The existence of social media provides room to the Bureau on promoting offered services and disseminating the intended information to the public.

# xxx) Good relationship with relevant authorities dealing with environmental issues

The Bureau will have a good platform of performing its mandated functions by entering Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with other Government Departments for attaining a smooth business environment.

#### xxxi) Presence of the Standards Act No.2 of 2009 and its Regulations

Standards Act Cap 130 gives the Bureau room of developing regulations under the said Act and implementing the mandated functions.

#### xxxii) Existence of good governance

Existence of good governance gives the Bureau room for delivering its mandated functions in a professional manner, i.e., equal treatment of its customers.

# xxxiii) Existence of signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with other regulatory authorities

Entered Memorandums of Understanding (MoU) with other regulatory authorities give the Bureau a smooth environment of performing its mandated functions in Tanzania.

#### xxxiv) Existence of active judicial organs

The existence of judicial organs provides room for taking legal measures against defaulters of the offered services under the Standards Act Cap. 130.

#### **CHALLENGES**

# i) Delays of recruitment permit

The Management has been requesting for recruitment permits to fill the gap of shortage of staff. However, the process of permit approval takes long thus hinders the Bureau to implement its mandated functions effectively and efficiently.

# ii) Labour turnover of skilled and competent staff

Some skilled and competent staff have left the Bureau to join other organizations due to low remuneration.



# iii) Narrow scope of NHIF scheme coverage

The Bureau's staff get medical treatment under NHIF scheme, currently NHIF has narrowed the scope of medical coverage which causes challenges among staff.

#### iv) High cost and risk of Information and Communication Technology systems

The Bureau has been facing the rapid technology advancement that requires urgent update or review of conformity assessment procedures. However, state-of-the-art ICT systems require more financing and are associated with high risk i.e., existence of cybercrime, viruses etc.

# v) Existence of bad debts and shortage of accountants

Some of the Bureau's customers do not pay debts. This results in accumulation of long outstanding debts that hinder financing of operations. Also, the Bureau has a shortage of accountants therefore some of its zonal offices lack the service of accountants.

# vi) Inadequate/unreliable infrastructure

The Bureau has been facing a challenge of inadequate/unreliable infrastructure which hinders the provision of services to its customers. These challenges include inadequate water supply, inadequate fund for infrastructure development, unreliable water, unreliable internet services, unreliable maintenance facilities and lack of dedicated environment for disposal/destruction of high risk/restricted goods.

# vii) High cost of infrastructure

High cost of infrastructure is one of the challenges that face the Bureau. Infrastructure costs include maintenance costs, construction costs and rent charges on rented offices.

#### viii) Challenge on legal issues

Long procedure for approvals and process for approving and gazetting legal documents causes delays in starting using procedures, guidelines and standards.

#### ix) Challenge on social issues

The demand for substandard products by the community and the general public, misuse of social media and emergence of diseases and natural disasters cause challenges to the Bureau.

#### x) Challenge on economic issues

The Bureau faces a challenge on economic issues including existence of informal sector, black markets, dumping of substandard products, consumer activists and technical barriers to trade.

# xi) Challenge on technical issues

The Bureau faces challenges on technical issues which affect provision of services to its customers. The issues include dynamism of technology, existence of cyber-crime, viruses, misuse of social media and redundant equipment and software.

# xii) Challenges on environmental issues

The Bureau is facing challenges on technical issues which affect provision of



services to its customers. These challenges include lack of dedicated environment for disposal/destruction of high risk/restricted goods.

# xiii) Failure of stakeholders to distinguish between TBS and other regulatory authorities' mandates

The stakeholders are failing to distinguish the TBS mandate with other authorities' mandates, which sometimes damages the Bureau's image.

# xiv) Unreliability of test reports from other laboratories

The Bureau is taking risk in accepting test reports on samples subcontracted to external laboratories.

# xv) Political interference

The Bureau is affected by political interference that requires elimination of some of the Bureau's services or establishment of services that require more investment.

# 2.8. Recent Initiatives for Improving Performance

A number of recent initiatives have been undertaken in the year 2016/2017 through 2019/2020. The initiatives include the following:

- i) The amendment done by the Finance Act No. 8 of 2019 to the Standards Act Cap. 130 to accommodate the activities of regulating safety of food and cosmetic products;
- ii) Development of Online Application System (OAS) for product and premise registration;
- iii) Receipt of 111 staff from the government upon being mandated to perform food safety roles;
- iv) Establishment of Western Zone office;
- v) Establishment of Bagamoyo and Mbweni port offices;
- vi) Abolition of PVoC programmes for imported goods and subjecting them all to destination inspection;
- vii) Supportive services for Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs);
- viii) Automation of premises and product registration; and
- ix) Establishment of call centre system.

#### 2.9. Critical Issues

Based on the situational analysis conducted, the following areas were identified as critical for improvement and thus must be addressed in the plan. They include but are not limited to: -

- i) Strengthen enforcement and conformity to standards;
- ii) Establish accreditation on inspection and certification systems;
- iii) Strengthen accessibility to testing and metrology services;
- iv) Facilitate accreditation on testing and metrology;
- v) Enhance development and uptake of standards;
- vi) Strengthen cooperation with ZBS;
- vii) Strengthen awareness on SQMT to the public;
- viii) Improve working environment;
- ix) Enhance the Bureau's good governance and risk management;
- x) Enhance human resources management capacity; and
- xi) Enhance financial resources management.



# CHAPTER THREE

#### 3. THE PLAN

#### 3.1. Introduction

This chapter presents the plan to be executed in the next five (5) years from 2021/22-2025/26. It outlines the vision, mission, core values and objectives to be achieved, strategies, targets and indicators. The Plan provides commitment of the Management and ensures that the resources are utilized in an efficient and effective manner to execute the mandated functions in order to meet the expectations of the stakeholders.

#### 3.2. Mission, Vision and Core Values

#### Vision

"Sustainable standardization for high quality livelihood society"

#### Mission

"To promote standardization, safety and quality assurance in industry and commerce through standards development, certification, registration, inspection, testing and metrology services for sustainable socio-economic development"

#### **Core Values**

# Integrity

We ensure continuous and consistent provision of services with high degree of honesty and impartiality by adhering to moral and ethical principles and values.

#### **Customer focused**

We prioritize customers' needs first, therefore committed to responding timely and proactively to their expectations.

#### **Team Work**

We work together by sharing experiences while respecting each other to realize institutional goals.

#### Accountability

We shall be responsible to our actions, decisions and outcomes in executing our functions.

#### Transparency

We ensure open sharing of information and proper provision of feedback to our stakeholders in equal treatment.

# 3.3. Objectives

In pursuit of its vision and addressing the identified critical issues, TBS is striving to achieve the following objectives:

- A. HIV/AIDS Infections and Non-Communicable Diseases Reduced and Supportive Services improved;
- B. Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy enhanced and sustained;
- C. Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced;



- D. Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced; and
- E. Institutional capacity to deliver mandated functions enhanced.

### 3.3.1. OBJECTIVE A: HIV/AIDS infections and non-communicable diseases reduced and supportive services improved

### Rationale

According to CIA World Factbook estimates of 2018, 37.9 million people are infected with HIV globally, while 1.6 million people were estimated living with HIV/AIDS in Tanzania. The Government of Tanzania declared HIV/AIDS as a national calamity since 1999 (HIV/AIDS and Non-Communicable Disease Infection Guideline of 2014). The disadvantages due to prevalence of HIV/AIDS and Non-Communicable Diseases include loss in productivity, loss of productive labour force and significant financial and time costs for care and treatment of people affected with HIV/AIDS.

Tanzania Bureau of Standards has been facing a number of challenges in handling HIV/AIDS and NCDs. The challenges include a number of staff who do not declare their HIV and NCDs status and therefore fail to access care and supportive services.

To address the challenges concerning HIV/AIDS and NCDs, the Bureau will strengthen awareness programs and provide care and support services to staff who declare their health status. The expected output for the strategies to address HIV/AIDS and NCDs is existence of healthy, educated and confident staff to perform the Bureau's functions. The key performance indicator for this objective is Percentage Change in the HIV/AIDS Infection and NCDs Rate.

### Strategy

Strengthen implementation of mitigation measures against HIV/AIDS and NCDs

### **Targets**

- i) Internal Policy for HIV/AIDS and NCDs reviewed by June 2023
- ii) 20 HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented by June 2026
- iii) 60 care and support services for HIV/AIDS and NCDs provided by June 2026

### **Indicators**

- i) % of staff voluntarily tested for HIV/AIDS and NCDs
- ii) % of staff covered by HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness and prevention programmes
- iii) % of staff aware of the HIV/AIDS and NCDs

### 3.3.2. OBJECTIVE B: Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy sustained

### Rationale

This objective aims at strengthening anti-corruption mechanism by adopting National Anti-Corruption Strategy and Action Plan. TBS shall not tolerate prevalence of corruption since it threatens ability to deliver satisfactory services to its customers. The Bureau will mitigate corruption practices by adhering to various laws, regulations, circulars and directives that advocate for good governance and accountability. The expected output will be reduced reported corruption incidences and increased awareness on corruption, hence good governance and accountability. The key performance indicator for this objective is number of trainings conducted on issues related to good governance and accountability.



### **Strategies**

- i) Strengthen adoption of NACSAP III
- ii) Strengthen good governance and accountability

### **Targets**

- i) Workplace intervention programmes on preventing and combating corruption developed and implemented by June, 2026
- ii) Institutional Fraud and Anti-Corruption Policy developed and implemented by June 2026

### **Indicators**

- i) Trend of corruption cases reported
- ii) Stakeholders' perception on corruption in TBS

### 3.3.3. OBJECTIVE C: Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced

### Rationale

The Bureau has been implementing its mandate of developing and implementing standards in order to facilitate industrial economy and trade. However, there has been increased demand for standards due to advancements in industrialization as well as increased regional and international trade. In view of this, the current pace of development of standards does not match with the market demand.

It is expected that enhancement of standardization will result into increased number of harmonized national standards, uptake and utilization and therefore promote development of industry and trade.

### **Strategies**

- i) Enhance development of standards
- ii) Enhance uptake of standards
- iii) Strengthen cooperation with other standardization, quality assurance and metrology bodies

### **Targets**

- i) 3600 National Standards developed by June 2026
- ii) 7000 stakeholders from 20 subsectors capacitated on SQMT by June 2026
- iii) 10 research programmes on SQMT conducted by June 2026
- iv) Institutional Research Policy on SQMT developed and operationalized by June 2026
- v) 400 regional standards harmonized by June 2026
- vi) 500 international, regional and national enquiries for proposed standards processed by June 2026

### **Indicators**

- i) % uptake of developed standards
- ii) % of market driven standards approved
- iii) % adoption of harmonized standards



### 3.3.4. OBJECTIVE D: Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced

### Rationale

Products and services that conform to safety and quality requirements are important for quality livelihood. Conversely, unsafe and substandard products and services negatively affect socio-economic development. Further to what the Bureau has been executing, it has been additionally mandated with a new task of regulating safety of food and cosmetics, which are vital components in human health.

Despite the fact that the Bureau has been working hard to ensure compliance of products to safety and quality requirements, still there is a challenge of substandard and unsafe products and services in the market. In view of this, the Bureau aims to enhance control of regulated products and services in order to assure their safety and quality.

### **Strategies**

- i) Strengthen enforcement and compliance with standards and regulations
- ii) Strengthen systems for regulating products and services
- iii) Improve accessibility to testing, metrology and certification services
- iv) Strengthen national and international recognition for conformity assessment systems

### **Targets**

- i) Enforcement of conformity to standards for 600,000 consignments of imported goods conducted by June 2026
- ii) Enforcement of conformity to standards for 290,000 motor vehicles conducted by June 2026
- iii) 400 consignments for exportation facilitated by June 2026
- iv) Market surveillance inspection plan developed and operationalized annually
- v) 10 food risk assessment reports prepared by June 2026
- vi) 500,000 test reports prepared by June 2026
- vii) 50,000 calibration certificates prepared by June 2026
- viii) 3,500 products certified by June 2026
- ix) 15,000 products registration permits issued by June 2026
- x) 25,000 premise registration permits issued by June 2026
- xi) 500 permits for promotion and advertisement of food and cosmetics issued by June 2026
- xii) Management systems for 82 companies certified by June 2026
- xiii) Six (6) zonal laboratories facilitated by June 2026
- xiv) Inspection and product certification systems accredited by June 2026
- xv) Testing and metrology systems accreditation maintained by June 2026
- xvi) 4 Calibration Measurements Capabilities (CMC) published by June 2026
- xvii) State-of-the-art laboratory equipment installed by 2026

### **Indicators**

- i) % of substandard products in the market
- ii) % of unsafe products in the market
- iii) Trend of companies certified for management systems
- iv) % of accredited TBS conformity assessment systems



### 3.3.5. OBJECTIVE E: Institutional Capacity to Deliver Mandated Functions enhanced

### Rationale

Service Delivery Survey (SDS) report of the financial year 2019/2020 portrays that the Bureau has improved its capacity to deliver services. However, for the smooth operation of the institution, some areas need improvement such as infrastructure and testing facilities, human resources, legal instruments and guidelines, communication and information systems and culture. The Bureau will deliver its services in line with the governing laws and regulations to meet or exceed stakeholders' expectations. The key performance indicator will be percentage change in customers' satisfaction index level.

### **Strategies**

- i) Strengthen public awareness on SQMT
- ii) Enhance human resources management
- iii) Improve internal control systems
- iv) Improve management information systems
- v) Enhance Bureau's good governance
- vi) Improve working environment
- vii) Enhance resource mobilization

### **Targets**

- i) Client Service Charter reviewed and implemented by June 2023
- ii) 25 Public awareness programs on SQMT conducted by June 2026
- iii) Ten (10) stakeholders' meetings on SQMT conducted by June 2026
- iv) Communication and Marketing Strategy operationalized by June 2026
- v) Human resource management improved by June 2026
- vi) Governance and accountability issues mainstreamed by June 2026
- vii) Human resource policies and plans developed and operationalized by June 2026
- viii) Occupational health and safety issues mainstreamed by June 2026
- ix) Staff welfare plans operationalized by June 2026
- x) Institutional plans prepared and implemented by June 2026
- xi) Risk Management Framework reviewed and implemented by June 2026
- xii) Monitoring and evaluation systems developed and operationalized by June 2026
- xiii) Risk based internal audit plan prepared and implemented annually
- xiv) Accounting Procedure Manual reviewed by June 2023
- xv) Financial Regulations reviewed by June 2023
- xvi) Financial statements prepared and audited by September 30<sup>th</sup> annually
- xvii) Internal control and risk management systems evaluated by June 2026
- xviii) Institutional performance reports prepared quarterly
- xix) ICT infrastructure and e-office management information systems installed and maintained by June 2026
- xx) Bureau's data storage and security systems operationalized by June 2026
- xxi) Integration of institutional systems with other Government departments facilitated by June 2026
- xxii) ICT strategy reviewed and operationalized by June 2026
- xxiii) TBS website updated and maintained by June 2026
- xxiv) Procurement Plan prepared and implemented annually
- xxv) Procurements of goods, services and works management facilitated annually
- xxvi) Statutory meetings of Workers' Council conducted annually

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- xxvii) Institutional Board Charter operationalized quarterly
- xxviii) Legal documents database developed and maintained annually
- xxix) Maintenance and utility plans operationalized annually
- xxx) Outsourced non-core services plans operationalized annually
- xxxi) Institutional buildings and equipment maintained by June 2026
- xxxii) Six (6) zonal laboratories and offices built and maintained by June 2026
- xxxiii) Five (5) business write-ups developed and implemented by June 2026

### **Indicators**

- i) Level of customers' satisfactions
- ii) Audit opinion
- iii) Level of staff performance



### CHAPTER FOUR

### 4. RESULT FRAMEWORK

### 4.1. Purpose and Structure

This chapter outlines how the Bureau will track progress of intended results (outcomes) envisioned in this Plan. This chapter assesses the performance and realization of Institutional Objectives. It includes development objective, beneficiaries of services, result chain and result train matrix. Further, the chapter includes a monitoring plan; planned reviews; evaluation plan and reporting plan as part of the monitoring and evaluation arrangements.

### 4.2. Development Objective

The overriding objective of TBS is "Better livelihood assured by safe and quality products coupled with friendly delivered services for sustainable socio-economic development."

The achievement of objectives in the Strategic Plan and other relate programmes may significantly contribute towards the achievement of this Development Objective. The achievement of this Development Objective among others will be influenced by the availability of resources including financial and human resources.

### 4.3. Beneficiaries of TBS Services

There are direct and indirect beneficiaries of TBS services. Direct beneficiaries include Industry and Commerce in the perspective of using standards and conformity assessment services. The indirect beneficiaries include the General Public in the perspective of using products and services that are regulated by conformity assessment systems.

### 4.4. Results Chain

TBS result chain consists of outcomes, outputs, activities and inputs which broadly contribute to enhancing an endeavour to achieve delivery of effective standardization and quality assurance services for development of industry and commerce in Tanzania. A combination of the objectives and targets in the Strategic Plan and activities and inputs in Medium Term Expenditure forms the TBS result chain. The basic assumption is that a casual linkage in the various elements of TBS result chain shall be maintained, i.e., utilization of resources allocated for activities will lead to activities achievements; the achieved activities will contribute to delivery of outputs.

Likewise, delivery of outputs will lead to an objective being attained; whereas objective achievement will contribute to the TBS development objective. This chain of results will justify TBS existence and resource utilization in the course of various interventions.

### 4.5. Result framework matrix

This matrix contains TBS overall Development Objective, Objective Codes, Medium Term Objectives, Intermediate Outcomes and Outcome Indicators. It envisions how the Development Objective will be achieved and how the results will be measured. The indicators in the matrix will be used to track progress towards the achievement of the intermediate outcomes and objectives. The Results Framework Matrix is detailed in Table 2.



Table 2: Result Framework Matrix

Development Objective	Objective Codes	Objectives	Intermediate Outcomes	Outcome Indicators
Better livelihood assured by safe and quality products coupled with friendly delivered services for sustainable socio-economic development	∢	HIV/AIDS Infections and Non- Communicable Diseases (NCDs) Reduced and Supportive Services Improved	<ul> <li>i) Increased use of protective gears</li> <li>ii) Increased number of voluntary testing</li> <li>iiii) Improved behavioral change towards</li> <li>iiii) mitigation measures against HIV/AIDS and</li> <li>iv) Reduced stigma and discrimination</li> <li>v) Increased budget for supportive services</li> <li>vi) Increased number of staff declaring their status to the administration</li> <li>vii) Increased openness for discussion on HIV/AIDS issues among staff</li> <li>viii) Increased productivity among staff</li> <li>viii) Increased broductivity among staff</li> <li>viiii) Increased broduc</li></ul>	i) % of staff voluntarily tested for HIV/AIDS and NCDs ii) % of staff covered by NCDs prevention programs iii) % of staff aware of HIV/ AIDS and NCDs
	В	Effective implementation of National Anti- Corruption Strategy enhanced and sustained	<ul> <li>i) Increased awareness on corruption</li> <li>ii) Reduced number of corruption cases</li> <li>iii) Improved stakeholders' perceptions on TBS's integrity</li> <li>iv) Increased transparency</li> <li>v) Improved quality of services delivered</li> <li>vi) Improved business processes</li> <li>vii) Improved adherence to the Rule of Law</li> <li>viii) Increased customer satisfaction</li> <li>ix) Improved efficiency and effectiveness of Integrity Committee</li> </ul>	i) Trend of corruption cases reported ii) % increase of stakeholders with low perception on corruption in TBS



Development Objective	Objective Codes	Objectives	Intermediate Outcomes	Outcome Indicators
	U	Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced	<ul> <li>i) Decreased number of tested product certificates</li> <li>ii) Increased number of formulated standards</li> <li>iii) Increased number of adopted standards</li> <li>iv) Increased demand for market driven standards</li> <li>v) Increased participation of stakeholders</li> <li>vi) Increased sale of standards</li> <li>vii) Increased training needs</li> <li>ix) Strengthened trade facilitation</li> </ul>	i) % uptake of developed standards ii) of market driven standards approved iii) % adoption of harmonized standards
	Δ	Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced	i) Increased number of registered products linceased number of registered premises linceased number of samples tested iv) Increased number of items calibrated v) Increased number certified products vi) Increased number of companies certified in management system vii) Increased number of new applications for certification and registration viii) Improved testing capability ix) Increased number of batch certificates x) Reduced turnaround time xi) Improved accuracy of test results xii) Improved accuracy of test results xiii) Reduced food borne diseases xiv) Strengthened awareness on side effects of prohibited cosmetics xv) Enhanced fairness in industry and commerce sectors xviii Improved facilitation for exports xviii Improved credibility on food and cosmetics promotional adverts	i) % of substandard products in the market  "ii) % of unsafe products in the market  market  iii) Trend of companies certified for management systems  iv) % of accredited TBS conformity assessment systems



Development Objective	Objective Codes	Objectives	Intermediate Outcomes	Outcome Indicators
	ш	Institutional Capacity to Deliver Mandated	i) Improved quality of service delivery	i) % level of customers' satisfactions
		Functions Enhanced	iii) Improved compliance with policies and	ii) Audit Opinion iii) Level of staff performance
			iv) Improved work morale	
			v) Reduced labour turnover	
			vi) Improved visibility	
			vii)Enhanced accessibility of Bureau's services	
			viii) Improved work efficiency	
			ix) Improved compliance to Client Service	
			Charter	
			x) Improved integration of Management	
			Information Systems	
			xi) Strengthened collaboration with other	
			institutions	

# 4.6. Monitoring, Reviews and Evaluation Plan

This section details the Monitoring Plan, Planned Reviews and Evaluation Plan for the period covering the five years of the strategic planning cycle from 2021/2022 to 2025/2026.

# 4.7. Monitoring Plan

methods of analysis, indicator reporting frequency and who will be responsible for data collection, analysis and reporting. The Monitoring The Monitoring Plan consists of indicators and their description, baseline for each indicator; indicator target values, data collection and Plan is detailed in the **Table 3.** 



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∺	% of staff voluntarily tested for HIV/ AIDS and NCDs This indicator intends to measure effectiveness of awareness programmes conducted to staff on HIV/ AIDS & NCDs. This will be attained by calculating the percentage of staff who had responded to voluntary	October 2020	54.3	55	26	22	28	09	Administrative data	Desk review	Quarterly	· Awareness reports · Medical test reports	Quarterly	DHRA
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N	% of staff covered by NCDs prevention programmes This indicator intends to measure the number of staff involved in various prevention programmes in relation to the total number of staff. An indicator will be attained by calculating percentage of staff involved in various NCDs preventive programmes divided by the total number of staff.	August 2020	ത	41	19	24	000	35	Administrative data	Desk review	Quarterly	Preventive programmes report	Quarterly	DHRA



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Indicator	Description	Trend of corruption cases reported  This indicator intends to measure the increase or decrease in reporting corruption incidences.  This indicator will be attained by collecting data annually and relating the magnitude for the multiple periods.
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B 2 8 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	% of stakeholders with low perception on corruption at TBS  This indicator intends to measure the stakeholders' perception on corruption practices at TBS. This indicator will be attained by calculating the percentage of those who perceived that there is no corruption against the number of respondents.	2020 2020	on on one	06	95	46	96	100	Customer Satisfaction Survey	Questionnaire, Interview Focus group discussion	Annually	Survey	Annually	DHRA, PMU



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<u> </u>	% of market driven standards approved This indicator intends to measure the number of standards requested against the number of standards developed. This indicator will be attained by calculating the percentage of standards approved against standards initiated.	June 2020	92	29	69	71	73	75	· Administra- tive data · Industrial visit	Desk review	Quarterly	Standards request form Progress report	Annually	DSD



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ω	% adoption of harmonized standards	June 2020	65	70	75	80	82	06	Library	Desk review	Quarterly	Standards catalogue	Annually	DSD
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ത	% of substandard products in the market  This indicator intends to measure the level of compliance to standards by industry and commerce.  This indicator will be attained by calculating the percentage	June 2020	30	28	25	53	21	20	Administrative data	Market surveillance inspection	Monthly	Market surveillance reports	Quarterly	РΟ
	of substandard products versus assessed products.													



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10	% of unsafe products in the market  This indicator intends to measure the level of compliance to safety requirements in the market.  This indicator will be attained by calculating the % of unsafe products versus assessed	June 2020	10	ത	ω	_	ω	п	Administrative	Monitoring, post market surveillance and risk assessments	Monthly	Market     surveil-     lance re-     port     Risk as-     sessment     reports	Quarterly	MQQ



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See	Trend of companies certified for management systems  This indicator intends to measure the increase or decrease of companies certified in management systems.  This indicator will be attained by collecting data annually and relating the magnitude for the multiple	Sep- tember 2020	10	20	0e	04	200	7 09	Administrative data	Desk review	Quarterly	Progress reports	Annually	ΨŎ



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12	% of accredited TBS conformity assessment systems  This indicator intends to measure credibility of the systems used by TBS in delivering conformity assessment services.  This indicator will be attained by calculating the percentage of accredited conformity assessment systems versus number of systems in place.	June 2020	25	20	20	75	75	100	Administrative data	Accreditation schedule	Quarterly	Progress     reports     Accreditation certificate	Annually	ртм/ ром



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13	% level of customers' satisfactions This indicator intends to measure ability of TBS to meet customers' needs and expectations in provision of services. This indicator will be attained by calculating the percentage of satisfied customers versus all respondents.	June 2020	91.6	92	6	46	99	96	Customer satisfaction survey	Question- naire, Interview Focus group discussion	Annually	Survey	Annually	D M G
14	Audit opinion This indicator intends to measure rating level of fair presentation of the operation results. This will be attained based on the audit reports conducted annually	June 2020	Unmodified	Unmodified	Unmodified	Unmodified	Unmodified	Unmodified	Audit report	Risk based audit	Annually	CAG report	Annually	CA, IAU



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S/N Indicator & Indicator	Description	Level of staff performance This indicator intends to measure capacity of individual staff to pursue assigned duties. This will be attained by calculating average performance of all staff through OPRAS evaluation forms.
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# 4.8. Planned Reviews

There will be reviews that aim to obtain progress status on the implementation of the Strategic Plan. The planned reviews consist of review meetings, milestones and rapid appraisals.

### a) Review Meetings

Various meetings will be conducted to track progress on the milestones, activities and targets/outputs critical for achievement of organizational objectives. Review meetings are shown in the Table 4:



**Table 4: Review Meetings** 

S/N	Type of Meeting	Frequency	Designation of the Chairperson	Participants
1.	Board of Directors	Quarterly	Chairperson of the Board	Board Members
2.	Management meetings	Weekly	Director General	Directors and Managers
3.	Laboratory Quality System Management review meetings	Annually	Director General	Management and Laboratory staff
4.	Laboratory Quality System Management review meetings	Quarterly	Manager	Heads of Laboratories
5.	Directorate meeting	Quarterly	Directors	Managers and Heads of Sections/Staff
6.	Workers Council	Biannually	Director General	Workers Council members
7.	Technical Staff Meeting	Monthly	Appointed Senior Officer	Directors, Managers, Heads of Units
8.	Quality Management System review meeting	Annually	Director General	Management, Quality Committee and Auditors
9.	Section/Unit Meeting	Monthly	Departmental Manager/Heads of Units	Units /Sectional Staff
10.	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	Quarterly	Appointed Member from the Board of Directors (BoD)	Directors, Internal Auditors, and External Financial Expert
11.	Training Committee Meeting	Quarterly	Director of Human Resource and Administration	Managers, HRO and nominated departmental representatives
12.	Tender Board Meeting	As per Procurement Plan	Appointed Senior Officer	Members of Tender Board and HPMU
13.	HIV/AIDS Committee	Quarterly	Appointed Senior Officer	Nominated Members
14.	Integrity Committee	Quarterly	Appointed Senior Officer	Nominated Members
15.	Appointment and Disciplinary Committee	Annually	Director General	DG, Directors, Managers, Trade Union representative and HRM
16.	Budget Committee	Quarterly	Director General	Nominated Members
17.	Staff Meeting	Quarterly	Director General	All Staff



Table 5: Planned Milestones Reviews

YEARS	Planned Review	Milestones	Timeframe	Responsible Person
Year I	Two Reviews (Semi-	Customized Open Performance Review and Appraisal System (OPRAS) customized	June 2022	DHRA
7707/T07	Annually)	580 National Standards finalized	June 2022	DSD
		1000 stakeholders from three (3) subsectors trained in standardization	June 2022	OSO
		600 products certified	June 2022	ром
		Research Policy on SQMT developed	June 2022	DSD
		Two (2) Food risk assessments conducted	June 2022	ром
		Alignment of policies and procedures with ISO/IEC 17020 and ISO/IEC 17065 for Inspection and Product Certification systems finalized	June 2022	ром
		Procurement for required laboratory equipment and consumables initiated	September 2022	DTM
		State-of-the-art equipment and facilities installed	June 2022	DTM
		Quality manual reviewed as per ISO/IEC 17025: 2017	June 2022	DTM
		Incentive Scheme developed and implemented	June 2022	DHRA
		Human Resource Plan developed and implemented	June 2022	DHRA
		Approved Organization Structure operationalized	June 2022	DHRA
		Health and Safety Policy developed and operationalized	June 2022	DHRA
		Approved Schemes of Service and salary structure implemented	June 2022	DHRA
		Institutional Fraud and Anti-corruption Policy developed and implemented	June 2022	DHRA
		Monitoring and Evaluation system developed and operationalized	June 2022	PBU
		e-office system installed and maintained	June 2022	ICTU
		Six (6) LANs installed and maintained at zonal offices	June 2022	ICTU
		ICT Strategy reviewed and operationalized	June 2022	ICTU
		Procurement Plan prepared and implemented	June 2022	PMU
		One (1) business write-up developed and implemented	June 2022	PBU



YEARS	Planned Review	Milestones	Timeframe	Responsible Person
Year II	Two Reviews	Internal Policy for HIV/AIDS and NCDs reviewed	June 2023	DHRA
2022/2023	(Semi- Annually)	Four (4) HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented	June 2023	DHRA
		630 National Standards finalized	June 2023	DSD
		1200 stakeholders from three (3) subsectors trained in standardization	June 2023	DSD
		National Standardization Strategy reviewed	June 2023	DSD
		650 products certified	June 2023	ром
		Three (3) research programmes on SQMT conducted	June 2023	DSD
		Two (2) food risk assessments conducted	June 2023	ром
		Accreditation of ISO/IEC 17020 and ISO/IEC 17065 for Inspection and Product Certification applied	June 2023	DQM
		Procurement for required laboratory equipment and consumables initiated	September 2023	MTO
		State-of-the-art equipment and facilities installed	June 2023	DTM
		Quality manual submitted to AFRIMET for peer review as per ISO/IEC 17025: $2017$ .	June 2023	МТО
		Client Service Charter reviewed and implemented	June 2023	PRMU
		Accounting Procedure Manual reviewed	June 2023	CA
		Standards Act and its Regulations reviewed and implemented	June 2023	LU
		Financial Regulations reviewed	June 2023	CA
		Procurement Plan prepared and implemented	June 2023	PMU



YEARS	Planned Review	Milestones	Timeframe	Responsible Person
Year III 2023/2024	Two Reviews (Semi	Four (4) HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented	June 2024	DHRA
	Annually)	700 National Standards finalized	June 2024	DSD
		700 products certified	June 2024	ООМ
		1400 stakeholders from four (4) subsectors trained in standardization	June 2024	DSD
		Three (3) research programmes on SQMT conducted	June 2024	DSD
		Two (2) food risk assessments conducted	June 2024	ром
		Procurement for required laboratory equipment and consumables initiated	September 2024	MTQ
		State-of-the-art equipment and facilities installed	June 2024	DTM
		2 Calibration Measurements Capabilities (CMC) published at BIPM	June 2024	DTM
		TBS website updated and maintained	June 2024	HICTS
		Procurement Plan prepared and implemented	June 2024	HPMU
Year IV 2024/2025	Two Reviews (Semi	Four (4) HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented	June 2025	DHRA
	Annually)	790 National Standards finalized	June 2025	DSD
		750 products certified	June 2025	DQM
		1600 stakeholders from five (5) subsectors trained in standardization	June 2025	DSD
		Two (2) research programmes on SQMT conducted	June 2025	DSD
		Two (2) food risk assessments conducted	June 2025	DQM
		Procurement for required laboratory equipment and consumables initiated	September 2025	DTM
		State-of-the-art equipment and facilities installed	June 2025	DTM
		2 Calibration Measurements Capabilities (CMC) published at BIPM	June 2025	DTM
		Procurement Plan prepared and implemented	June 2025	PMU



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Year V Two Re 2025/2026 (Semi-	Two Reviews (Semi-	Four (4) HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented	June 2026	DHRA
	Annually)	900 National Standards finalized	June 2026	DSD
		800 products certified	June 2026	рбм
		1800 stakeholders from five (5) subsectors trained in standardization	June 2026	OSO
		Two (2) research programmes on SQMT conducted	June 2026	DSD
		Two (2) food risk assessments conducted	June 2026	ром
		ISO/IEC 17020 and ISO/IEC 17065 for Inspection and Product Certification systems accredited	June 2026	DQM
		Procurement for required laboratory equipment and consumables initiated	September 2026	DTM
		State-of-the-art equipment and facilities installed	June 2026	DTM
		TBS website updated and maintained	June 2026	HICTS
		Procurement Plan prepared and implemented	June 2026	HPMU
		Standards and Metrology Regulations established and implemented	June 2026	HLU
		Six (6) zonal laboratories and offices built and maintained	June 2026	DHRA

# 4.9. Rapid Appraisals

Rapid appraisals intend to gather information for facilitating implementation of planned interventions. **Table 6** indicates the Bureau's Rapid Appraisal for the next five years from 2021/22.



Table 6: Rapid Appraisals

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performance?	7	Capacity of the Bureau to conduct destination inspection	The study aims at assessing the readiness of the Bureau's systems and structures to manage inspection of all imports at destination.  The findings shall mitigate shortcomings emanating from the termination of PVoC (Pre-Shipment Verification of Conformity) programmes.			June 2022	DQM DSD DTM DHRA



S/N	Rapid appraisal	Description of the rapid appraisal	Appraisal questions	Methodology	Timeframe	Responsible person
က်	A study to assess efficacy of inspection mechanisms	This study aims at finding out the best inspection approach which will cover all products and services in the market  The findings shall facilitate strengthening of compliance.	i) What are the gaps in the existing inspection mechanisms? ii) Which products and services do not fall into existing mechanisms? iii) What are the challenges facing the existing inspection mechanisms? iv) What is the best approach to cover all products, premises and services? v) What financial and human resources are required?	i) Interview ii) Document review iii) Questionnaire iv) Survey v) Focus Group Discussion	June, 2022	ΜŎΩ
4	A study to assess revenue generation from testing and metrology laboratories	This study aims at strengthening financial resource mobilization strategies. Findings shall inform improvement in use of opportunities associated with testing and metrology services among others.	i) Who are the potential customers? ii) What is the capacity requirement for maximum resource exploitation? iii) What is the best approach for service provision and retention of customers? iv) Are there competitors offering the same services?	i) Focus group ii) Interview iii) Questionnaires iv) Document review v) Survey	June 2022	PBU CA DTM



S/N	Rapid appraisal	Description of the rapid appraisal	Appraisal questions	Methodology	Timeframe	Responsible person
ഥ	A study to assess stakeholders' engagement in standards development	This study aims at improving stakeholders' engagement in standards development.  Findings shall facilitate strengthening participation of stakeholders and experts in developing national standards.	i) Why are stakeholders more participatory in some sectors in providing comments? ii) Are the tools used by the Bureau in stakeholder and appropriate? iii) What are the challenges facing participation of stakeholders in stakeholders in stakeholders in standards development? iv) What are experts' opinions on their involvement in standards development?	i) Interview ii) Questionnaires iii) Document review iv) Survey	June 2022	DSD

## 4.10. Evaluation Plan

This Evaluation Plan aims to obtain evidence as to what extent the interventions and outputs achieved have led to the achievement of the outcomes as envisioned in the Strategic Plan. It identifies the goals and studies to be conducted during the plan, who will be responsible for carrying out the plan, responsible persons and when results will be reported as **Table 7** show.



Table 7: Evaluation Plan

S/N	Evaluations	Description	Evaluation Questions	Methodology	Timeframe	Responsible Person
<del>⊢</del> i	Effectiveness in regulating food and cosmetics	This evaluation aims at assessing how effective has the Bureau implemented ithe mandate of regulating safety and quality of food and cosmetics.	<ul> <li>i) To what extent has the Bureau implemented the mandate?</li> <li>iii) What is the compliance status?</li> <li>iii) Are the control systems in place sufficient?</li> <li>iv) What are the shortcomings in implementing the mandate?</li> <li>v) Are the resources in place adequate and effective for the execution of the mandate?</li> <li>vi) Is there sufficient competency to execute the mandate?</li> <li>vii) What is the perception of customers?</li> <li>viii) What are the financial impacts to TBS in executing the mandate?</li> </ul>	i) Document review ii) Survey iii) Question- naires iv) Focus Group Discussion v) Interviews	June, 2022	DQM
2.	Performance and opportunity of packaging technology in industry and commerce	This evaluation aims at assessing the Bureau's performance towards utilization of packaging technology and opportunities in industry and commerce.	i) Are the packaging technology opportunities exhausted? ii) What are the challenges experienced in packaging technology? iii) To what extent do packaging materials affect the safety of food?	<ul> <li>i) Document review</li> <li>ii) Survey</li> <li>iii) Question-naires</li> <li>iv) Focus Group Discussion</li> <li>v) Interviews</li> </ul>	June 2022	DTM
m'	Customer satisfaction level on TBS service delivery	This evaluation aims at assessing the effectiveness of TBS is service delivery to customers	i) What is the accessibility and reliability of TBS services? ii) How does TBS handle SQMT customers' complaints? iii) What is TBS public visibility? iv) What is the understanding of the uniqueness of TBS services? v) What are the customers' recommendations on TBS service delivery?	i) Question- naires ii) Interview iii) Document review iv) Focus group discussion	June 2026	PRMU



### 4.11. Reporting Plan

This plan shows all reports that will be used in the execution of the Strategic Plan. The Report Plan contains both internal and external reports namely; Quarterly, Semi-annual, Annual implementation reports and Overall Performance reports.

### Internal Reporting Plan

Internal Reporting Plan is a plan that contains reports that are prepared and used internally for effective implementation of the Strategic Plan. Several reports will be prepared and shared internally by the Director General, Directors, Managers and Heads of Units, so as to track progress and the challenges during implementation. These reports include monthly reports, quarterly and annual performance reports. The Reporting Plan is detailed in **Table 8**.

Table 8: a) Internal Reporting

S/N	Type of Report	Recipient	Frequency	Responsible Person
1.	Unit Progress Report	Director General	Monthly/ Quarterly	Heads of Unit
2.	Sectional Progress Report	Directors	Monthly/ Quarterly	Managers
3.	Directorate Progress Report	Director General	Monthly/ Quarterly	Directors
4.	Internal Audit Report	Board of Directors	Quarterly	Chief Internal Auditor
5.	Risk Management Report	Director General	Quarterly	Risk Coordinator
6.	Director General's Progress Report	Board of Directors	Quarterly	Director General

### **External Reporting Plan**

External Reporting Plan contains reports that are used by external entities. The reports are prepared on quarterly and annual basis. The Reporting Plan is detailed in **Table 8 b**).

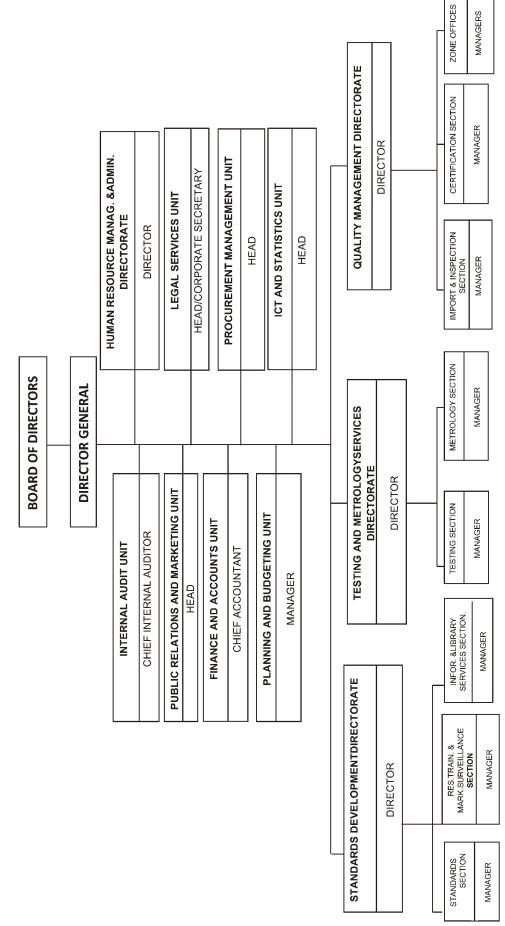
Table 8: b) External Reporting

S/N	Type of Reports	Recipient	Frequency	Responsible Person
1.	Audited Financial Statements	Permanent Secretary (MIT), Treasury Registrar	Annually	DG
2.	Performance contract between BoD and TRO	Treasury Registrar	Annually	DG
3.	Performance reports (Progress Reports, Budget Memorandum, MTEF, Ruling Party Manifesto, Budget Speech)	Permanent Secretary (MIT), Treasury Registrar	Quarterly/ annually	DG
4.	Annual Reports and Accounts	Permanent Secretary (MIT)	Annually	DG
5.	Project execution reports	Development Partners	As per plans	DG
6.	Integrity reports	Chief Permanent Secretary	Quarterly	DG



### **APPENDIX 1**

THE FUNCTIONS AND ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE OF TANZANIA BUREAU OF STANDARDS (TBS) (Approved by the President on 05th November, 2018)





# **APPENDIX 2**

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S	Objectives	Strategies	Targets	Outcome Indicators	Responsible
ti.	HIV/AIDS infections and non- communicable diseases reduced and supportive services improved	Strengthen Implementation of mitigation measures against HIV/AIDS and NCDs	<ul> <li>i) Internal Policy for HIV/AIDS and NCDs reviewed by June 2023</li> <li>ii) 20 HIV/AIDS and NCDs awareness programmes developed and implemented by June 2026</li> <li>iii) 60 care and support services for HIV/AIDS and NCDs provided by June 2026</li> </ul>	i) % of staff voluntarily tested for HIV/AIDS and NCDs ii) % of staff covered by NCDs prevention programmes iii) % of staff aware of the HIV/AIDS and NCDs	DHRA
2	Effective Implementation of National Anti-Corruption Strategy enhanced and sustained	i) Strengthen adoption of NACSAP III ii) Strengthen good governance and accountability	<ul> <li>i) Workplace interventions programmes on preventing and combating corruption developed and implemented annually by June, 2026</li> <li>ii) Institutional Fraud and Anti-Corruption Policy developed and implemented by June 2026</li> </ul>	i) Trend of corruption cases reported ii) Stakeholders' perception on corruption in TBS	DHRA
m <sup>i</sup>	Standardization for development of industry and commerce enhanced	<u>:</u>	Enhance development of standards finalized by June 2026 standards on SQMT by June 2026 Enhance uptake of standards on SQMT by June 2026 Strengthen cooperation with other Standardization, v) Institutional Research Policy on SQMT developed and operationalized by June 2026 Quality Assurance and Metrology vi) 500 international, regional and national enquiries for bodies	i) % uptake of developed standards ii) % of market driven standards approved iii) % adoption of harmonized standards	DSD



SN	Objectives	Strategies	Targets	Outcome Indicators	Responsible
4.	Assurance of safety and quality of products and services enhanced	i) Strengthen enforcement and compliance to standards and regulations systems for regulating products and services iii) Improve accessibility to testing, metrology and certification services; iv) Strengthen national and international recognition for conformity assessment systems	i) Enforcement of conformity to standards for 600,000 consignments of imported goods conducted by June 2026 ii) Enforcement of conformity to standards for 290,000 motor vehicles conducted by June 2026 iii) 400 consignments for exportation facilitated by June 2026 iv) Market surveillance inspection plan developed and operationalized annually v) 10 food risk assessment reports prepared by June 2026 vii) 500,000 test reports prepared by June 2026 viii) 50,000 calibration certificates prepared by June 2026 viii) 3500 products certified by June 2026 ix) 15,000 products registration permits issued by June 2026 xi) 500 permits for promotional and advertisement of food and cosmetics issued by June 2026 xii) Management systems for 82 companies certified by June 2026 xiii) Six (6) zonal laboratories facilitated by June 2026	i) % of substandard products in the market ii) % of unsafe products in the market iii) Trend of companies certified for management systems iv) % of accredited TBS conformity assessment systems	БОМ/БТМ



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			xiv) Inspection and product certification systems accredited by June 2026		
			xv) 4 Calibration Measurements Capabilities (CMC) published by June 2026		
			xvi)State-of-the-art laboratory equipment installed by 2026		
			xvii) Testing and metrology systems accreditation maintained by June 2026		



S	Objectives	Strategies	Targets	Outcome Indicators	Responsible
ى.	Capacity to Deliver	i) Strengthen public awareness	i) Client Service Charter reviewed and implemented by June 2023	i) Level of customers' satisfactions	DHRA/PBU/ LU/PMU/
	Mandated Functions Enhanced	on SQMI ii) Enhance	ii) 25 public awareness programmes on SQMT conducted by June 2026	ii) Audit opinion	FAU/PRMU/ IAU/ICTU
		human resources management	iii) Ten (10) stakeholders' meetings on SQMT conducted by June 2026	performance	
		iii) Improve internal control systems	iv) Communication and Marketing Strategy operationalized by June 2026		
		iv) Improve management information	v) Human resource management improved by June 2026		
		systems v) Enhance	vi) Governance and accountability issues mainstreamed by June 2026		
		Bureau's good governance	vii) Human resource policies and plans developed and operationalized by June 2026		
		vi) Improve working	viii) Occupational health and safety issues mainstreamed by June 2026		
		vii) Enhance	ix) Staff welfare plans operationalized by June 2026		
		resource mobilization	x) Institutional plans prepared and implemented by June 2026		
			xi) Risk Management Framework reviewed and implemented by June 2026		
			xii)Monitoring and evaluation systems developed and implemented by June 2026		
			xiii) Risk based Internal Audit Plan prepared and implemented annually		
			xiv) Accounting Procedure Manual reviewed by June 2023		
			xv)Financial Regulations reviewed by June 2023		



NS S	Objectives	Strategies	Targets	Outcome Indicators	Responsible
			xvi)Financial statements prepared and audited by September 30 <sup>th</sup> , annually		
			xvii) Assets management systems reviewed annually		
			xviii) Internal control and risk management systems evaluated by June 2026		
			xix) Institutional performance reports prepared quarterly by June 2026		
			xx) Infrastructure and e-office management information systems installed and maintained by June 2026		
			xxi)Bureau's data storage and security systems operationalized by June 2026		
			xxii)Integration of institutional systems with other Government departments facilitated by June 2026		
			xxiii) ICT Strategy reviewed and operationalized by June 2026		
			xxiv) TBS website updated and maintained by June 2026		
			xxv) Procurement Plan prepared and implemented annually		
			xxvi) Procurement of goods, services and logistics management facilitated annually by June 2026		



S	SN Objectives	Strategies	Targets	Outcome Indicators	Responsible
			xxvii) Statutory meetings of Workers' Council conducted annually by June 2026		
			xxviii) Institutional Board Charter operationalized quarterly by June 2026		
			xxix) Legal documents database developed and maintained annually by June 2026		
			xxx) Maintenance and utility plans operationalized annually by June 2026		
			xxxi) Outsourced non-core services plans operationalized annually by June 2026		
			xxxii) Institutional buildings and equipment maintained by June 2026		
			xxxiii) Six (6) zonal laboratories and offices built and maintained by June 2026		
			xxxiv) Five (5) business write-ups developed and implemented by June 2026		



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