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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

Welcome to another edition of our biannual e-newsletter which aims to highlight some of the Commission's operations from June to December 2025.

The year 2025 was marked by defining successes, notably the strengthening of national accountability through the conclusive prosecution of significant cases, the recovery of substantial illegally acquired assets amounting to ZMW 41,382,499.00 and USD \$390,350.00, the enhancement of corruption-prevention measures in both public and private bodies, and awareness programmes that have reached over 1.9million members of the public.

These milestones are a testament to the hard work and dedication of our Commission staff. Of course, these important achievements would not have been possible without the support of the Government, our cooperating partners, and you our esteemed stakeholders.

Our work is increasingly confronted by the evolving complexity of financial crimes and the corrosive spread of misinformation intended to erode public trust in the fight against corruption. These challenges, however, are not insurmountable. Rather, they strengthen our resolve to adapt, to safeguard our processes with integrity, and to communicate with greater clarity and transparency.

As we look to 2026, our strategic focus is clear. We will deepen our preventive capacity by streamlining the institutionalisation of integrity building in both public and private institutions, leveraging the National Policy on Anti-Corruption (NPAC). Our efforts to trace and recover stolen assets will intensify, ensuring that looted resources are returned to the people of Zambia. The execution of this roadmap, however, rests on a fundamental principle of collective ownership. The fight against corruption cannot be the sole burden of the Commission. It is a shared responsibility that calls upon every public servant, business leader, community leader and citizen to embody integrity in our actions, for we are all custodians of our nation's wealth and our children's future.

In this spirit, we urge every Zambian to be an active champion of integrity. We call upon you to boldly reject and report corrupt practices through our various platforms, including the Online Anonymous Whistleblower System and our toll-free line (5980).



Mrs. Daphne P.S Chabu

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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PRESIDENT HICHILEMA CHAMPIONS YOUTH LEADERSHIP IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION AT 2025 INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION DAY



President Hakainde Hichilema called on all Zambians, especially the youth, to take an active role in combating corruption, stating that a corruption-free Zambia will benefit every citizen and strengthen national development. Speaking when he officiated at the 2025 International Anti-Corruption Day commemoration in Lusaka, held under the theme “Uniting with the Youth Against Corruption: Shaping Tomorrow’s Integrity,” President Hichilema underscored the importance of collective responsibility in the fight against corruption.

The Head of State noted that the youth are central to driving meaningful change, describing them as “great partners in the fight against corruption” who must refuse to tolerate corrupt practices that rob them of opportunities and undermine Zambia’s progress.

“It is important to work with the youth in the fight against corruption,” he said. “They must be more vigilant in providing checks and balances. Our educational curriculum should continually evolve so that integrity becomes a value, children grow up with. They are the inheritors and guardians of our nation’s future.” President Hichilema emphasised that nurturing a generation that rejects corruption must involve expanded education and nationwide outreach carried out in partnership with the Ministry of Education and other cooperating partners.

“As a government, we remain firmly committed to confronting corruption, past, present, and future, while fostering a culture of integrity,” President Hichilema said. “Together, we must build a Zambia where public resources serve the people, opportunities are based on merit, and corruption has no place in our society.”

Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Board Chairperson Hon. Justice Evans Hamaundu (Rtd), also challenged the youth to take centre stage in the anti-corruption movement, noting that they make up the largest demographic group in the country.

“The youth are energetic, innovative, and unafraid to question the status quo. Their strong sense of justice makes them powerful agents of change,” Justice Hamaundu said. He urged young people to lead the fight by raising awareness about the dangers of corruption within communities, promoting ethical behaviour in social spaces, including Facebook, WhatsApp and TikTok and innovating technology-based solutions, including AI tools for transparency and anonymous reporting. Justice Hamaundu highlighted several ACC initiatives aimed at empowering youth, including anti-corruption clubs established in

schools, colleges and universities, as well as education materials designed to instill values of integrity from an early age. Speaking at the same event, United Nations Resident Coordinator for Zambia, Ms. Beatrice M. Mutali, reaffirmed the UN's commitment to supporting Zambia's anti-corruption efforts. Ms. Mutali, commended the Government of the Republic of Zambia and the Anti-Corruption Commission for measures such as publishing the 2024 Bribe Payers Index, advancing policy and legislative reforms, launching Zambia's Anonymous Online Whistle-blower System, and establishing a financial crimes court. "These steps demonstrate a clear commitment to greater transparency and accountability," She added.

And Lusaka Province Minister Hon. Sheal Mulyata said President Hichilema's continued push for transparency has strengthened public engagement and accountability mechanisms across government.

Further, ACC Director General Mrs. Daphne Chabu urged all stakeholders to remain united, stating that safeguarding Zambia's future requires strong institutions, robust systems and shared national values anchored in integrity. Meanwhile, Transparency International Zambia (TIZ) President Priscilla Chansa warned that



although corruption affects all citizens, young people and marginalized groups suffer the most. She called for deliberate investment in youth capacity-building if Zambia is to win the fight against corruption. Additionally, youth representative Brian Mung'andu appealed for greater inclusion of young people in anti-corruption programs and policy spaces, stressing that

the aspirations of Zambia's youth must shape the nation's integrity-driven future. The 2025 commemoration brought together government leaders, civil society, development partners, students and members of the public, all reaffirming their commitment to a transparent, accountable and corruption-free Zambia.



ACC Director-General Mrs. Daphne Chabu speaking at the International Anti-Corruption Day.



ACC Board Chairperson Justice Evans Hamaundu(Rtd) speaking at the International Anti-Corruption Day.



President Hichilema alongside ACC Director-General touring the ACC stand at the event.



GOVT CALLS FOR FULL COMPLIANCE AS INTEGRITY COMMITTEES TAKE CENTRE STAGE AT 2025 CEOs' FORUM

The 2025 Integrity Committee Chief Executive Officers' Forum provided both a moment of reflection and a firm call to action, as Government reaffirmed its expectation that all public institutions must establish and operationalise Integrity Committees to strengthen accountability and ethical governance.

Speaking when he officially opened the Forum, Deputy Secretary to the Cabinet for Administration, Dr. Oliver Kalabo, described it as unacceptable that a segment of public institutions had not complied with the directive to constitute Integrity Committees. He announced that his office would formally write to all non-compliant institutions, stressing that this would be the final step before decisive action is taken. The Forum, held under the theme "Fostering a Culture of Integrity: Setting the Tone from the Top," brought together Permanent Secretaries and Chief Executive Officers to reflect on leadership's role in embedding integrity within institutions and society at large. Dr. Kalabo noted that the theme underscores a foundational principle for good governance and national development, where leadership commitment directly shapes institutional culture.

Meanwhile, Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Director General Mrs. Daphne Chabu revealed that 267 Integrity Committees have so far been established, with 265 in public sector institutions and only two in the private sector. She highlighted progress made while also pointing to the need for broader compliance, particularly beyond the public sector. Dr. Kalabo further urged Permanent Secretaries and Chief Executive Officers to take full ownership of implementing the NPAC 2023, stating that the success of the policy lies in their hands.



In addition, Dr. Kalabo issued specific directives including the rollout of Integrity Committees to all Ministries, Provinces and Spending Agencies (MPSAs), submission of Action Plans and Quarterly Progress Reports, adequate funding of Integrity Committee activities, establishment of an NPAC Coordinator, and the appointment of Ethics Officers across MPSAs. He also called on Chief Executive Officers of Statutory Bodies and State-Owned Enterprises to fully internalise and apply the Corporate Governance Code. The Forum also served as a platform to celebrate institutions that have demonstrated steady commitment to integrity and accountability. In the Parastatals and Statutory Bodies category, the Zambia Electricity Supply Corporation (ZESCO) emerged as overall Integrity Champion while the Zambia Revenue Authority (ZRA) earned the 2nd Prize, followed by the Rural Electrification Authority (REA) in 3rd place. For Local Authorities, Chingola Town Council got 1st prize, Lufwanyama Town Council was recognised with the 2nd Prize, and Solwezi Municipal Council received the 3rd Prize.

ACC COMMENDS REA FOR EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE IN 2025 CORRUPTION INDEX



The Anti-Corruption Commission Zambia (ACC) has applauded the Rural Electrification Authority (REA) for its outstanding performance in the 2025 Corruption Perception Index (CPI), which recorded an impressive 90 percent score. The index conducted by Transparency International Zambia (TIZ), highlights REA's significant strides in mitigating corruption risks and enhancing transparency in its operations.

During the launch of the report, on Tuesday 4th November, 2025, Acting Secretary to the Cabinet Mr. Siazongo Siakalenge, represented by the Permanent Secretary for Special Duties, Mr. Kennedy Kalunga, commended REA for aligning its efforts with the Government's Zero Tolerance to Corruption Policy. Mr. Siakalenga further encouraged other public and private entities to adopt similar initiatives that promote ethical governance and accountability.

Meanwhile, ACC Director General, Mrs. Daphne Chabu, praised REA for demonstrating strong institutional integrity and taking proactive measures to strengthen internal systems. She described REA's achievement as a clear reflection of leadership commitment to transparency and a practical example of how public institutions can contribute to the national fight against corruption.

Mrs. Chabu reaffirmed the Commission's continued collaboration with institutions like REA to promote integrity and ensure that public resources are managed responsibly for the benefit of citizens.

REA Acting Chief Executive Officer, Eng. Alex Mbumba, expressed gratitude for the recognition and noted that the positive CPI results mirror the Authority's dedication to ethical conduct and improved service delivery. He pledged that REA would fully implement the report's recommendations to further enhance accountability and trust as it continues electrifying rural Zambia.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM LAUNCHES INTEGRITY POLICIES TO STRENGTHEN TRANSPARENCY AND ETHICAL CONDUCT

The Ministry of Tourism has launched three key integrity policies aimed at promoting transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct within the institution. The new frameworks; the Conflict of Interest Policy, Whistleblower Policy, and Gifts and Benefits Policy are designed to curb corruption and reinforce good governance practices. Speaking during the launch, Minister of Tourism Hon. Rodney Sikumba reaffirmed the Ministry's commitment to upholding national values and principles. Hon. Sikumba identified corruption as one of the greatest threats to effective public service delivery, warning that it undermines public trust and weakens institutional performance. He said the newly introduced policies will help fortify the Ministry's ethical foundations and promote a culture of integrity among officers and partners. Meanwhile, Anti-Corruption Commission Director General Mrs. Daphne Chabu, acknowledged the vital role the Ministry of Tourism plays in showcasing the country's natural beauty, wildlife, culture, and heritage which are all significant drivers of economic growth and job creation. She commended the Ministry for its dedication to maintaining high ethical standards and delivering quality public service. Mrs. Chabu emphasised that the integrity policies are designed to reinforce the principle of integrity across the Ministry. She noted that the guidelines provide clear direction on identifying and managing situations where personal interests may conflict with professional responsibilities thus ensuring fairness, impartiality and transparency in decision-making processes. The launch also featured the introduction of a digital newsletter, aimed at enhancing communication, promoting tourism products, and fostering collaboration within the sector.



Minister of Tourism Rodney Sikumba and Anti-Corruption Commission Director General Mrs. Daphne Chabu during the Integrity Policy Launch at Government Complex in Lusaka.



ACC & RTSA PEN MOU TO ENHANCE ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS

The Anti-Corruption Commission Zambia (ACC) and the Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA), signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen collaboration in the fight against corruption, money laundering, and other related crimes.

Speaking at the event, ACC Director-General Mrs. Daphne Chabu hailed the agreement as a “call to action” and a vital step towards securing information, supporting joint operations, and improving public trust in service delivery. RTSA Chief Executive Officer Eng. Amon Mweemba described the MoU as an essential tool for timely information sharing for joint investigations and closer cooperation.

The MoU reaffirms ACC’s commitment to transparency, accountability and achieving a corrupt free Zambia.



ACC & CHANDLER FOUNDATION LAUNCH VALUES-BASED CURRICULUM DUBBED ‘CHARACTER IS DESTINY’



In a milestone effort to embed values-based education into Zambia's schools, the Chandler Foundation and the Zambia Anti-Corruption Commission with support from the Ministry of Education held a two-day teacher training workshop in Kabwe district to equip educators with tools to implement the Character is Destiny curriculum.

The Character is Destiny is an interactive, five-module curriculum designed for Zambian students aged 11-17. The program aims to cultivate a culture of integrity by emphasising core values such as integrity, honesty, trust, honor, and servanthood. Through storytelling, the use of positive role models, and student-led discussions, the curriculum encourages students to become values-driven leaders in their communities.

Speaking at the official opening of the training workshop, Anti-Corruption Commission Director-General Mrs. Daphne Chabu noted that the Commission recognises the critical role educators play in shaping the moral compass of future leaders and that the

long-term vision is to see the curriculum expand across all schools in Zambia.

Mrs. Chabu said that the launch of the programme was an important milestone in Zambia's efforts to build a nation of ethically conscious citizens and a society of integrity.

Speaking earlier, Chandler Foundation Country Director Mr. Rueben Lifuka stated that the Foundation will remain committed to strengthening governance and ethical leadership. Mr. Lifuka believes that values-based education is one of the most powerful tools for systemic change.

Meanwhile, Director of Integrity Programs at the Chandler Foundation Ms. Leslie Tsai stressed that the training programme marked the beginning of an important journey to empower young people with the values and leadership tools they need to stand against corruption and serve their communities with integrity. Central Province Education Officer Mrs. Mambe Hamududu said that the inclusion of values in the education system, particularly through Anti-Corruption Clubs, aligns well with the Ministry's

efforts to promote responsible citizenship, ethical leadership, and moral uprightness among learners.

During the two-day training workshop, 30 teachers were trained alongside master trainers from the Commission to ensure consistent, high-quality delivery of the content across all participating schools. The initial pilot project reached teachers in 30 schools across six provinces namely Lusaka, Copperbelt, Central, Southern, Northern, and North-Western through existing Anti-Corruption Clubs.



NABOYE SECONDARY TRIUMPHS IN INTER-SCHOOL ANTI-CORRUPTION QUIZ



Naboye Secondary School emerged victorious in a closely contested inter-school anti-corruption quiz, defeating the renowned Kafue Boys Secondary School.

Naboye scored 28 points, narrowly beating the host school, which scored 26.

The quiz formed part of the activities leading up to the commemoration of African Anti-Corruption Day held on 11th July 2025, under the theme "Promoting Human Dignity in the Fight Against Corruption."

Speaking at the official opening of the event, Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Director of Public Education, Mrs. Queen Chibwe, stated that corruption is not only about the loss of public funds or abuse of power, but about the erosion of basic human dignity, fairness, and citizens' rights. "Corruption denies children quality education, patients access to medicine, and communities' access to essential social amenities. It robs people of opportunities, hope and dignity. It takes food from people's hands," she said.

Mrs. Chibwe encouraged the participating learners to become ambassadors of integrity. "You represent a generation that can say 'no' to corruption and 'yes' to fairness, transparency, and justice. We believe in your power to change the culture of silence, to challenge wrongdoing, and to uphold values that build a better Zambia," she said. The Director later congratulated Naboye Secondary School for winning the quiz and encouraged Kafue Boys Secondary School to do better next time.





ACC,ZAMCOM STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIP TO AMPLIFY ANTI-CORRUPTION MESSAGE

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) has reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening partnerships that enhance information dissemination and public engagement in the fight against corruption. This followed a courtesy call by the ACC Director-General, Mrs. Daphne Chabu, on the Zambia Institute of Mass Communication (ZAMCOM) Management.

Accompanied by the Permanent Secretary for Special Duties at Cabinet Office, Mr. Kennedy Kalunga, Mrs. Chabu emphasised the Commission's desire to leverage strategic collaborations with communication training institutions such as ZAMCOM to scale up awareness on corruption prevention and reporting mechanisms. She noted that the Commission has previously benefited from ZAMCOM's training in multimedia and communication, which has significantly enhanced the quality of ACC's digital content and social media engagement. Mrs. Chabu further revealed that the ACC plans to establish its own radio station in the future. A vision that will be built on partnerships with institutions such as ZAMCOM Radio to expand public outreach and engagement on Anti-corruption initiatives.

During the engagement, Permanent Secretary, Special Duties- Cabinet Office, Mr. Kennedy Kalunga, commended both institutions for their proactive collaboration, noting that such partnerships align with Government's commitment to promote transparency, integrity, and citizen participation. He emphasised that the fight against corruption requires the active involvement of all sectors, and that leveraging media and communication is key to nurturing a culture of integrity among citizens.

In his remarks, ZAMCOM Executive Director Mr. Kennedy Mwila expressed ZAMCOM's readiness to collaborate with the ACC through capacity-building in communication skills, media production services, and access to the ZAMCOM Radio Station for disseminating anti-corruption messages to the public. He added that ZAMCOM remains committed to supporting national efforts that promote accountability and good governance through professional communication.

The courtesy call concluded with a tour of ZAMCOM's state of the art radio and media production studios, where the ACC delegation interacted with staff and explored potential areas for joint media programming aimed at raising public awareness against corruption.

PLANTING SEEDS OF INTEGRITY: ACC & KAMULANGA SECONDARY CELEBRATE 61 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE



As part of commemoration of Zambia's 61st Independence Anniversary, Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Director-General Mrs. Daphne Chabu, Management and staff today joined pupils and teachers at Kamulanga Secondary School for a tree planting exercise. This initiative aligned with the Independence theme, "61 Years of Peace and Unity : Building a Resilient and Prosperous Zambia," and demonstrates the Commission's commitment to environmental stewardship, integrity, and community engagement. Kamulanga Secondary School boasts of an active Anti-Corruption

Club and was recently adopted by the ACC Integrity Committee for continued mentorship and support in promoting ethics and integrity among learners.

In her officiating remarks Mrs. Chabu emphasised that the tree planting exercise with the young people of Kamulanga symbolised an investment in seeds of integrity, peace, and prosperity for tomorrow's generation of leaders.



ACC SPREADS INDEPENDENCE CHEER WITH DONATION TO MATTHEW 25 MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL



As Zambia celebrates 61 years of Independence, the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) joined in the national spirit of unity by donating assorted food items and household essentials to Matthew 25 Ministries International in Chilenje, Lusaka. The visit, led by ACC Director-General Mrs. Daphne Chabu, together with members of management and staff, formed part of the Commission's pre-independence community outreach aimed at supporting vulnerable groups and promoting integrity. In welcoming the team, Matthew 25 Ministries International founder Ms. Inonge Nawa expressed gratitude for the gesture, noting that the donation will greatly assist in caring for abandoned babies, orphans, victims of abuse and persons with disabilities. She proudly shared that over the past 30 years, the Ministry has nurtured children who have grown into lawyers, soldiers and teachers, a true testament to transformation and hope.

Mrs. Chabu commended the organisation for its remarkable service and affirmed the Commission's commitment to ensuring that all Zambians benefit equally from the nation's resources. "Our fight against corruption is about fairness, opportunity and hope for every citizen regardless of their background. I encourage the children here to stay focused in school, study hard and aspire to be responsible citizens who contribute positively to national development," Mrs. Chabu added.



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ZICA ACCOUNTANT ARRESTED FOR CORRUPTION

The Anti-Corruption Commission has arrested and charged Joe Nsokolo, a Management Accountant at the Zambia Institute of Chartered Accountants (ZICA), for corruption involving over K2.2 million.

Joe Nsokolo, 40, of Plot No. 30541, Rockfield Chalala, Lusaka was arrested and charged with 40 counts of Theft by a Public Servant contrary to Section 265, as read together with Section 277 of the Penal Code Chapter 87 of the Laws of Zambia, and one (1) count of Possession of Property Reasonably Suspected to be Proceeds of Crime contrary to Section 71 of the Forfeiture of Proceeds of Crime Act No. 19 of 2010.

It was alleged that between 1st January, 2022 and 31st August, 2025, in Lusaka District, being a public officer, Joe Nsokolo stole funds amounting to K2,263,106.61 from ZICA for personal gain.

FORMER LUSAKA PROVINCE MINISTER CONVICTED TO ANOTHER 3 YEARS FOR CORRUPTION

The Lusaka Magistrate's Court convicted former Lusaka Province Minister Bowman Lusambo for corruption involving over K22million.

Delivering judgment, Chief Resident Magistrate Davies Chibwili ruled that the State had proved its case beyond reasonable doubt and sentenced Mr Lusambo to three (3) years imprisonment for two (2) counts of Being in Possession of Property Reasonably Suspected to be Proceeds of Crime contrary to Section 71 of the Forfeiture of Proceeds of Crime Act No. 19 of 2010.

Further, the Magistrates' Court ordered that Mr Lusambo's properties in Chamba Valley, be forfeited to the State. The court further ordered him to pay K5.2 million to the State for being in possession of tainted, uncompleted flats belonging to another businessman.

CHONGWE DISTRICT HEALTH DIRECTOR ARRESTED FOR CORRUPTION

The Anti-Corruption Commission arrested and charged Mweene Tembalami Nseluke, a District Health Director at Chongwe District Health Office for corruption involving over K422,000.00

Mweene Tembalami Nseluke, 47, of house No. A07 Chainama Hills Hospital, was arrested and charged with Ten (10) Counts of Failure to Declare Conflict of Interest contrary to Section 19 (3) (b) and 19 (9) as read with Section 107 of the Public Procurement Act No. 8 of 2020, of the Laws of Zambia.

Investigations established that on 1st June, 2022 Dr. Nseluke signed a contract in his capacity as District Health Director at Chongwe District Health Office with Lukem Prominent Ventures, a business entity that he had an interest in. The contract was signed on behalf of Lukem Prominent Ventures by his sister Sinikiwe Masuka. The contract was for service and repair of Ministry of Health Motor Vehicles in Chongwe District. Investigations at Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA) established that Dr. Nseluke is the registered owner of Lukem Prominent Ventures.

Dr. Nseluke certified and approved payments for service of Motor Vehicles, Motorbikes and purchase of goods and services to Lukem Prominent Ventures totaling K422,415.00 without declaring interest.



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FRA MARKETING ASSISTANT ARRESTED FOR CORRUPTION

LUSAKA BUSINESSMAN NABBED FOR BRIBING DEC OFFICERS

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) has arrested a Lusaka businessman for corrupt practices involving K60,000.

Henry Shula Kasolo, aged 54, of Plot 400V, off Leopards Hill Road, Lusaka District was arrested and charged, with Corrupt Practices, contrary to Section 19(2) of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012, of the Laws of Zambia.

Particulars of the offence are that between 26th June, 2025 and 27th June, 2025, in Lusaka District, Mr. Kasolo, a businessman, did corruptly offer and give K60,000 gratification to three (3) public officers of the Drug Enforcement Commission (DEC), as an inducement or reward to facilitate the release of two Thai nationals that had been apprehended by DEC officers and their seized compressed cannabis.

The ACC commends the 3 DEC officers for upholding integrity and reporting the matter to the ACC.

The Anti-Corruption Commission in Kasama arrested and charged Mike Musukwa, a Marketing Assistant at Food Reserve Agency Kasama Office on two counts of uttering a false document and one count of obtaining pecuniary advantage. Mike Musukwa, 34, of Newtown in Kasama was charged with two counts of uttering false documents contrary to section 352 and 347 of the Penal Code act Cap 87 of the laws of Zambia. He was also charged with one count of obtaining pecuniary advantage by false pretences Contrary to Section 309A (1), (2) (c) of the Penal Code Act Cap 87 of the laws of Zambia.

Details are that Musukwa was initially employed as a Data Entry Clerk by the Food Reserve Agency in Mungwi District. However, investigations established that between 1st January 2014 and 31st December 2014 Musukwa uttered a false grade 12 School Certificate and a false Bachelor's Degree Certificate in Computer Science from Cavendish University to his employers. He was subsequently elevated to the position of Marketing Assistant by his employer and earned a total of K545,338.78 in Salaries and Allowances between January 2014 and December 2023.



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MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND LIVESTOCK OFFICERS ARRESTED FOR CORRUPTION

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) on 8th of December, 2025 arrested and charged three (3) Officers from the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries for corrupt practices. The said officers misappropriated part of a 10,000,000 United States Dollars (USD) loan which the Government of the Republic of Zambia obtained from the African Development Bank (AfDB) in 2019. The disbursement of the loan started in 2020 and was to run until 2024 but due to late disbursement, it was extended to June 2025.

The loan was intended to be utilised under the Sustainable Livestock Infrastructure Management Project (SLIMP), to improve livestock infrastructure, enhance livestock production through commercialisation and capacity building among Ministry staff. The project was earmarked for implementation in Muchinga and Northern Provinces. Financial Investigations conducted by ACC officers revealed that the entire 10,000,000 USD was disbursed. It was further established that:

5,289,974.86 USD translating to ZMW 126,959,396.72 allocated for administrative and capacity building activities was extensively misapplied.

Investigations established that 1,346,907.27 USD translating to ZMW 32,325,774.59 was illicitly transferred into personal accounts under false pretences. A further 142,946.13 USD translating to ZMW 3,430,707.21 was withdrawn in cash and shared among officers.

These funds were “retired” using falsified documents for activities that never took place, enabling implicated officers to accumulate assets grossly disproportionate to their legitimate earnings.

The findings confirm systemic abuse and misappropriation of project resources.

With regard to details of individuals arrested, charges, properties and amounts involved, Mrs Daphne Chabu confirmed that:

1. Henry Sichone - Lusaka Provincial Livestock Research Officer (Former Muchinga Province Focal Point Person for SLIMP) was charged with three counts of Possession of Property Suspected to be Proceeds of Crime, contrary to Section 71 of the Forfeiture of Proceeds of Crime Act No. 19 of 2010.

The charges relate to seven houses and two motor vehicles valued at K2,945,000.00.

Mr. Sichone was additionally charged with one count of Corrupt Acquisition of Public Property and Revenue, contrary to Section 34 of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012, involving K4,150,756.00.

2. Abraham Mulenga - Provincial Fisheries and Livestock Marketing Development Officer for Central Province (Former Muchinga Province Focal Point Person under SLIMP) was charged with eight counts of Possession of Unexplained Property, contrary to Section 22 of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012.

The charges involved seven houses, two plots (bare land), money and vehicles valued at K4,679,901.41.

Additionally, he was charged with one count of Corrupt Acquisition of Public Property and Revenue, contrary to Section 34 of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012, involving K2,596,752.76.

3. Peter Michese - District Accountant for Chinsali in Muchinga was charged with four counts of Possession of Unexplained Property, contrary to Section 22 of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012.

The charges relate to blocks of flats, houses, and vehicles valued at K2,010,000.00.

Additionally, he was charged with one count of Corrupt Acquisition of Public Property and Revenue, contrary to Section 34 of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012, involving K5,565,004.28.

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FORMER NORTH WESTERN WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION MANAGING DIRECTOR JAILED FOR CORRUPTION

The Economic and Financial Crimes Court in Solwezi convicted and sentenced former Managing Director of North Western Water Supply and Sanitation Company Limited, Mr. Happy Musumali, to one year and eleven months' imprisonment with hard labour for corrupt practices.

The Solwezi Subordinate Court, Economic and Financial Crimes Division, presided over by Honourable Principal Resident Magistrate Mr. Kasongamulilo, convicted Mr. Musumali on two counts of Abuse of Authority of Office and one count of Wilful Failure to Follow Guidelines.

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) in 2023 arrested Mr. Musumali, aged 49, of House No. 6, Water Village, Solwezi and initially charged him with twelve (12) counts of Abuse of Authority of Office, contrary to Section 21(1)(a) of the Anti-Corruption Act No. 3 of 2012 and four (4) counts of Wilful Failure to Follow Guidelines, contrary to Section 34 of the same Act. However, due to duplicity in some counts, the charges were reduced to three counts. Particulars of the offences are that, between 1st October 2022 and 30th June 2023, while serving as Managing Director, Mr. Musumali arbitrarily authorised payments amounting to K98,263.14 from company funds for the purchase of motor vehicle spare parts, general servicing, panel beating and spray painting for the company's operational vehicle, a Toyota Registration Number BAA 221.

During the same period, he also authorised the fuelling of his personal vehicle, a Toyota Hilux Registration Number ALH 1625, using company fuel without authorisation from the Board of Directors. These acts were prejudicial to the interests of the company.

Further, between the same dates, Mr. Musumali wilfully failed to comply with applicable laws and procurement procedures in the manner he authorised the awarding of a security contract between North Western Water Supply and Sanitation Company Limited and Arm Safety Security Company Limited. In delivering judgment, Hon. Principal Resident Magistrate Kasongamulilo sentenced Musumali to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour in count one, eight months' imprisonment with hard labour in count two and 3 months' imprisonment with hard labour in count three.



ANTI-CORRUPTION
COMMISSION

VISION

A proactive, impartial and professional anti-corruption agency that promotes the attainment of a corruption free Zambia

MISSION

To effectively and impartially prevent and combat corruption in order to promote integrity, transparency and accountability for the attainment of a corruption-free Zambia.

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P.O. Box 80112

CHINSALI OFFICE

Plot No. 1388
Mayadi Township
P.O. Box 480102

SOLWEZI OFFICE

Mushindamo Road
Next to Zambia Army
P.O Box 110168

MONGU OFFICE

Mwanawina Street
House No. 797
P.O. Box 910217

MANSA OFFICE

Plot No. 2A
Independence Avenue Rd
P.O. Box 710197

NAKONDE OFFICE

Near Madwa School
P.O. Box 430187

CHILILABOMBWE OFFICE

Permanent House
First Floor, Room No. 101
Plot No. 148 Town Centre

SERENJE OFFICE

Next to Serenje Boys Sec. Sch.
Old Ibolelo, Plot No. 53313
Ngaswa Road
P.O. Box 850094

KASAMA OFFICE

Stand No. 877
Off Luwingu Road
P.O Box 410152

CHOMA OFFICE

Riverside Opp. Choma
Plot No.1076 Pentecostal
Assemblies
P.O.Box 630656

CHIRUNDU OFFICE

Medium Cost Area
Plot No. 197 Madiba Rd
P.O. Box CHR53

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