



**THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE**

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**TENDER NOTICE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL
WAREHOUSES IN TANZANIA**

1. INTRODUCTION

The Warehouse Receipt Regulatory Board (WRRB), the Cereals and Other Produce Regulatory Authority (COPRA), the Cashew Board of Tanzania (CBT), the Tanzania Mercantile Exchange (TMX), and the Tanzania Cooperative Development Commission (TCDC) intend to conduct a vetting exercise for warehouse operators who will be authorized to manage warehouses used under the Warehouse Receipt System (WRS) for all crops overseen by the respective institutions. These crops include, but are not limited to, cashewnuts, sesame, pigeon peas, green grams, soybeans, cowpeas, and others.

The purpose of this vetting is to assess and identify qualified warehouse operators capable of managing warehouses in accordance with the required standards to ensure efficiency, safety, and quality in the storage and handling of agricultural produce across the country.

Upon completion of this exercise, only warehouse operators who meet the vetting criteria will be formally announced and allowed to apply for a warehouse operating license through the Warehouse Receipt Regulatory Board (WRRB) when opportunities become available.

Furthermore, any warehouse operator with an existing contract who fails to meet the set standards will have their contract immediately terminated. In such cases, due procedures will be followed to identify and appoint a new qualified warehouse operator.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA / QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS

An applicant intending to operate a warehouse must meet the following qualifications/criteria:

- i. Must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in managing agricultural produce warehouses and must have attained the appropriate grading level in accordance with the standards set by the Warehouse Receipt Regulatory Board (WRRB). Companies with less experience may still be vetted to verify their capacity and competence;
- ii. Must demonstrate the ability to store and manage produce in compliance with food safety standards and produce quality requirements;
- iii. Must provide documentation proving financial capability to operate the warehouse, including the ability to provide a security guarantee commensurate with the volume of produce stored. The minimum financial guarantee required from warehouse operators shall be Tanzanian Shillings Fifty Million (TZS 50,000,000), or as determined by the value of the crop and the size of the warehouse;
- iv. Must have the capacity to invest in infrastructure and modern storage technologies in line with the requirements outlined in various post-harvest handling and storage guidelines;
- v. Must present a warehouse management plan detailing inventory control, product tracking, and measures to prevent post-harvest losses;
- vi. Must employ personnel with professional certifications in storage management, quality control, and warehouse operations;
- vii. Must have experience in collaborating with government institutions or private sector entities in warehouse operations;
- viii. Must not have a record of misconduct or poor performance in

warehouse operations within the country; and

ix. Must meet all other requirements as stipulated under the Warehouse Receipts Act.

3. APPLICATION SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Applicants interested in operating a warehouse for the mentioned agricultural commodities are invited to submit a written application including the following information:

- i. Company profile;
- ii. Details of the company's Directors;
- iii. Management team information, including the warehouse manager and their professional certificates;
- iv. Company registration documents and valid operating license;
- v. Evidence of experience in warehouse operations;
- vi. Financial reports and a warehouse management plan;
- vii. Proof of financial capacity to support the required guarantee (Bank details, including readiness to provide a bank guarantee, must be available upon request);
- viii. A statement outlining the intended investment in the development of professional warehouse storage and operations; and
- ix. The application must clearly indicate the type(s) of crops intended for storage and the specific regions where operations are to be carried out.

These documents should be submitted via email to:

Title : Tender for the Operation of Agricultural Produce Warehouses

Address: info@wrrb.go.tz A copy should be sent to ushirika@ushirika.go.tz.

The deadline for submission of applications is 25th April, 2025.

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