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## GOVERNMENT SIGNS CONCESSION AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MUFULIRA-MOKAMBO ROAD AND



*Finance and National Planning Minister, Hon. Dr. Situmbeko Musokotwane, Commerce, Trade and Industry, Minister, Hon. Chipoka Mulenga (left), Commerce, Trade and Industry, Permanent Secretary Mrs. Lilian Bwalya and far right is RDA Acting Director and Chief Executive Officer, Eng. Jairos Mhango sign the Concession Agreement for the construction of Mufulira-Mokambo Road on the Copperbelt Province.*

The Government has signed a Concession Agreement with Jasworld Ports Limited for the construction of the Mufulira-Mokambo Road, the urban dual carriageway and Border Infrastructure at Mokambo in Mufulira District on the Copperbelt Province.

On 23rd October 2024, the Government launched rehabilitation works on the 61 kilometres of Ndola-Mufulira Road, as well as the development of the Sakania Border and access road.

The signing of the Concession Agreement for Mufulira-Mokambo Road entails that the whole road section from Ndola-Mokambo Border will be paved.

The Concession Agreement has been signed through, the Ministry of Finance and National Planning, the Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development.

The signatories are Finance and National Planning Minister, Hon. Dr. Situmbeko Musokotwane, Commerce, Trade and Industry Permanent Secretary Ms. Lilian Bwalya, Road Development Agency (RDA) Acting Director and Chief Executive Officer, Eng. Jairos Mhango and a representative from the Concessionaire.

The prominent features in the scope of this project are:

1. Construction of a new border post at Mokambo on the Government's designated land. The new border post includes one terminal building, one business office, one operation dormitory, two driver stations, one scanning shed, one freight inspection warehouse one warehouse one police station, one scanner and truck parking space;
2. Rehabilitation of the existing Mufulira-Mokambo Road (approximately 15.55 kilometres) including 13.63 kilometres with asphalt pavement and 1.92 kilometre with cape seal pavement;
3. Construction of the access road (approximately 4.8 kilometres) with asphalt pavement to the new Mokambo Border Post;
4. Rehabilitation of the existing Mufulira Urban Road (approximately 5.4 kilometres) including 1.33 kilometres of dual carriageway and 4.07 kilometres of single carriageway; and
5. Construction of 1 four-gate toll plaza along the Mokambo-Mufulira Road; and operation and maintenance in accordance with this agreement.



Road Sector Agencies Board of Directors and invited guests following proceedings during the signing of the Concession Agreement with Jasworld Ports Limited for the construction of the Mufulira-Mokambo Road, the urban dual carriageway and Border infrastructure at Mokambo in Mufulira District.



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*The current state of Mufulira-Mokambo Road.*

# 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

The Road Development Agency (RDA) was among several institutions that commemorated the 2024, 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence.

This year's theme was, "Towards Beijing +30 UNiTE: to End Violence Against Women & Girls."



RDA members of staff during this year's commemoration of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence at Mulungushi International Conference Centre in Lusaka.



RDA members of staff during this year's commemoration of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence.



Group photography of RDA members of staff.



An engagement with pupils at Mkandawira Secondary in Lusaka where RDA Officers shared information on the dangers of Gender Based Violence.



*A donation of sanitary towels and detergents was presented to learners at Mkandawira Secondary School during a sensitization programme Gender Based Violence.*

# ZAMBEZI CORRIDOR ENVIRONMENTAL ONE HEALTH EXPO



*RDA North Western Province Senior Engineer, Christopher Mumba and Customer Care Assistant, Peggy Mwanza represented the Agency the at the Zambezi Corridor Environmental One Health Expo 2024 held in Kabompo District, North Western Province.*

The Road Development Agency (RDA) participated at this year's Zambezi Corridor Environmental One Health Exposition held in Kabompo District in North Western Province.

During the Expo government reaffirmed its commitment to the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Officiating at the Expo, Her Honor the Vice President Mrs. W.K Nalumango outlined significant strides made in combating HIV and AIDS, adding that 95% of Zambians living with HIV know their status.

Mrs. W.K Nalumango said stigma and discrimination must not be condoned as the country envisions a situation where everyone can walk confidently regardless of status.

This year's Zambezi Corridor Environmental One Health Expo focused on showcasing initiatives aimed at mitigating the impacts of climate change along the Zambezi Corridor.

This is an initiative by the Coalition for African Parliamentarians on Human, Animal Health and Environment (CAPAH), Zambian Chapter.



*Expo goes passed through the RDA stand to understand how the roads are constructed.*

# KASOMENO-MWENDA TOLL ROAD AND BRIDGE PROJECT IN LUAPULA PROVINCE



*Construction works of the Kasomeno-Mwenda Road and Bridge Project in Luapula Province under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Financing Model.*

**C**onstruction works of the Kasomeno-Mwenda Road and Bridge Project in Luapula Province under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Financing Model are progressing well.

As can be seen in the images, the construction of an embankment at Luongo Bridge is underway. The embankment has reached two (2) metres high and works to construct major box culverts at Mwense Stream are also ongoing.

The project is being jointly undertaken by the Government of the Republic of Zambia and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Groupe Europeen de Developpement (GED Africa is the Concessionaire and the project sponsor, Duna Aszfalt.

GED Projects has signed a Concession Agreement with the Zambian Government to finance, design, build, operate, maintain and Toll the Kasomeno-Mwenda Road including a One Stop Border Post (OSBP) and bridge across the Luapula River.

GED has also signed another Concession Agreement to undertake similar works on the DRC side.

The project scope includes: Construction of 92 kilometres road on the Zambian side and 94 kilometres on the DRC side, the construction of a 345 metres cable stayed bridge across the Luapula River, the construction of the OSBP with associated parking and warehousing facilities and the construction of Toll Plazas and Weighbridges.



*The construction of an embankment at Luongo Bridge underway on the Kasomeno-Mwenda Road Project.*

## ROAD PROJECT UPDATE ACROSS THE COUNTRY

### UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION WORKS OF THE LUSAKA-NDOLA DUAL CARRIAGEWAY



*Works to upgrade to dual carriageway the Lusaka-Ndola Road.*

**W**orks to upgrade to a Dual Carriageway the Lusaka-Ndola Road have recorded physical progress of 20% while 99.0% has been attained on the 45 kilometres Masangano-Fisenge-Luanshya Road.

Works on the Masangano-Fisenge-Luanshya Road are expected to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

The Project was officially launched by President Hakainde Hichilema in Kapiri Mposhi on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

The Concessionaire is undertaking works from four points on the project, namely from the Lusaka side to Chibombo Lot 1, Chibombo to Kapiri Mposhi Lot 2, Kapiri Mposhi to Ndola Lot 3 and Masangano-Fisenge-Luanshya Road Lot 4.

The Concession Agreement (CA) for upgrading the Lusaka-Ndola Road into a dual carriageway was signed with MOIC-LN at a cost

of US\$649,976,167. The Concession period is twenty-five (25) years with three (3) years as a construction phase and twenty-two (22) years for operations and maintenance.

The project scope is to upgrade 327 kilometres of the road to a dual carriageway road from Lusaka to Ndola. The project also involves the rehabilitation of 45 kilometres of the Masangano-Luanshya Road, and the construction of approximately 30 kilometres long bypasses in Kabwe and Kapiri-Mposhi towns.

Two new Toll Plazas will be constructed, one on the Masangano-Fisenge-Luanshya Section, and the other between Chibombo and Kabwe. One new weighbridge will be constructed at Kafulafuta with the existing one at Kapiri Mposhi being upgraded and maintained.

A new bridge has been designed and will be constructed at Kafubu Bridge in Ndola.



*Ndola Road Dual Carriageway works.*

# MUNDANYA BRIDGE GUARDRAILS INSTALLATION



*Painting of installed guardrails at Mundanya Bridge in the Manyinga District of North Western Province.*

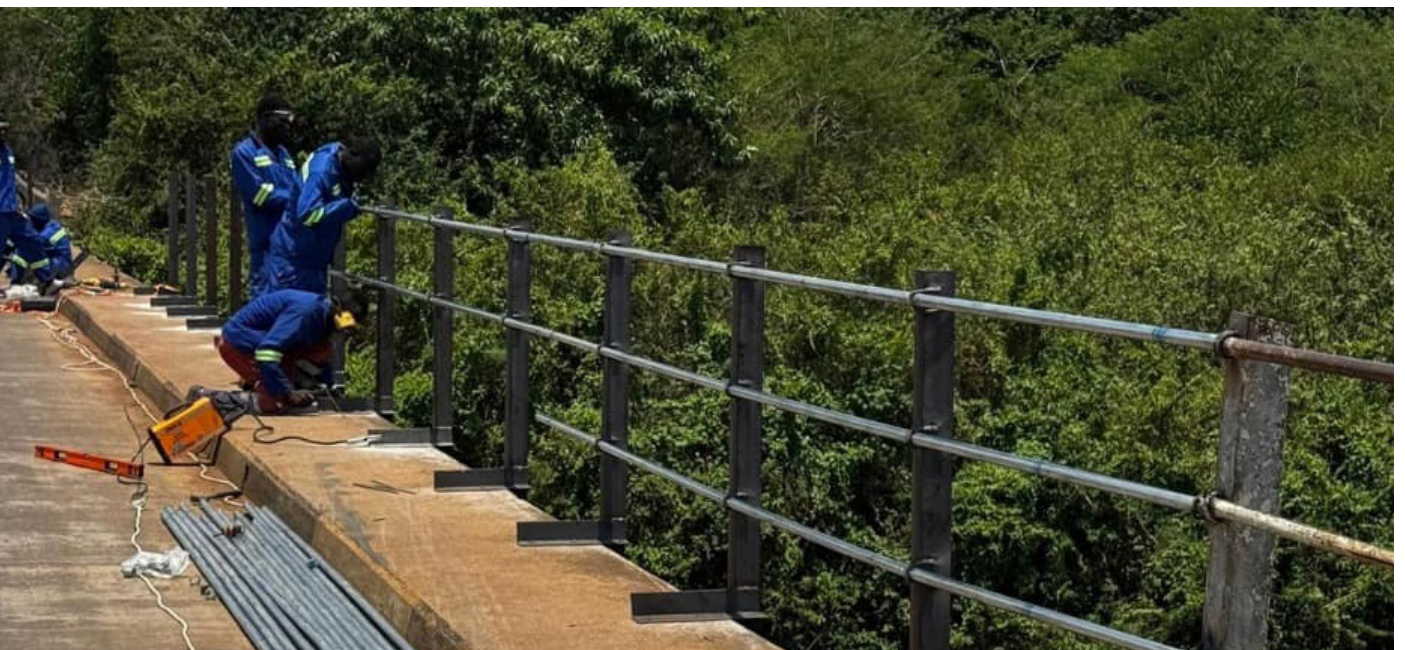
Mundanya Bridge in the Manyinga District of North Western Province was extensively damaged when a truck lost control and careered off the road ramming into the guardrails at the crossing point.

The impact caused extensive structural damage, including severe impairment to the concrete pavement and guardrails.

The Road Development Agency (RDA) Provincial Office in North Western Province has since commenced repair works on the bridge infrastructure. Mundanya Bridge connects Manyinga District to Kabompo District.

The scope of works includes:

- Repair and fabrication of parapet railing;
- Sealing of exposed reinforcement on the deck;
- Repair of concrete supports for steel guardrails;
- Replacement of steel guard railings;
- Installation of reflective chevron;
- Painting and cleaning of concrete decks; and
- Installation of road signs to enhance overall safety for road users.



*Installation of guardrails at the crossing point at Mundanya Bridge in the Manyinga District of North Western Province.*

# CHIBULUMA CONCRETE ROAD WORKS IN KITWE



*Works on the Chibuluma Road Project.*

Works on the Chibuluma Road Project are progressing well with 3.6 kilometres out of the 7 kilometres being paved with concrete.



*Chibuluma Concrete Road Project.*

# NDOLA-SAKANIA-MUFULIRA ROAD REHABILITATION WORKS



*Rehabilitation works on the Ndola-Sakania-Mufulira Road.*

**R**ehabilitation works on the Ndola-Sakania-Mufulira Road under the Public Private Partnership (PPP) Financing Model have continued to register progress.

The Concessionaire has made progress on earthworks between Mitengo, about 3 kilometres from Levy Mwanawasa Stadium roundabout and Sakania Border at kilometre 17.

Rock filling is in progress around the Sakania Border in Dambo areas while the construction of the Toll Plaza at kilometres 9 from the Levy Mwanawasa Stadium roundabout has commenced.

The Concession Agreement for the finance, design, build, operate, maintain, and transfer of 55 kilometers of the Ndola-Sakania-Mufulira Road and border infrastructure at Sakania on the Copperbelt Province was signed with Jaswin Ports Limited.



*Progress on earthworks between Mitengo, about 3 kilometres from Levy Mwanawasa Stadium Roundabout and Sakania Border at kilometre 17.*

# PICTORIAL UPDATE OF POTHOLE PATCHING WORKS ON THE MPIKA-KASAMA ROAD FROM MPIKA TO CHAMBESHI BRIDGE SECTION



Pothole patching! Before and after of works on the Mpika-Kasama Road from Mpika to Chambeshi Bridge section.



Pothole patching of works on the Mpika-Kasama Road from Mpika to Chambeshi Bridge section.

# PAVING WORKS AT CHIPATA CENTRAL HOSPITAL



*Paving works at Chipata Central Hospital in Chipata Town, Eastern Province.*

The Road Development Agency (RDA) is undertaking works involving the paving of the driveway to the maternity wing at Chipata Central Hospital in Eastern Province as well as selected areas at the health facility.



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# CONSTRUCTION OF THE DUAL CARRIAGEWAY IN MONGU PROGRESSING WELL



*Works on upgrading the section of the Mongu-Lusaka Road in Mongu from a two-lane to a four-lane dual carriageway.*

**W**orks on upgrading the section of the Mongu-Lusaka Road in Mongu from a two-lane to a four-lane dual carriageway are progressing well.

The project is aimed at improving the current road condition, enhancing driving comfort, and providing significant convenience for the safe travel of residents along the route.

The contractor AVIC International so far has completed asphalt surfacing on the eastern-bound lanes from Mongu Traffic Circle to Kambule Secondary School for approximately 1.8 kilometre.

The contractor has also completed the construction of a 200 metres reinforced concrete (rigid) pavement with a thickness

of 250 millimetres at the Total Traffic Filling Station.

The construction of the rigid pavement at this location has been done to take account of the heavy, slow-moving vehicles and those that are stopping, turning, or accelerating thereby inducing the highest stress levels which has a significant impact on the pavement.

For public interest, high-stress locations on road pavements also include climbing lanes, truck weigh stations, rest areas, and other slow-speed areas such as Police checkpoints, which usually result in serious rutting and deformation of the pavement.

The Road Development Agency (RDA) has given special attention to these areas to

ensure that high-stress areas deliver the same outstanding performance as other asphalt pavements.

As per the project schedule, the works such as asphalt surfacing on the dual carriageway from the roundabout to Kambule School are scheduled for completion by mid-December 2024.

Works such as concrete drainages and concrete walkways shall only be completed by mid-June 2025.

The design of the dual carriageway also includes traffic islands, concrete sidewalks on both sides, and proper drainage systems.

As of this update, the contractor has already commenced the cement stabilization of the second layer of the subbase for the western-bound lanes and will soon commence the laying of the crushed stone base.

It is essential to acknowledge that this is not entirely a new project, as the ongoing road projects have been financed by savings from the Mongu-Limulunga Road.

These savings have facilitated the completion of various roadworks, including the Limulunga Road and its extensions, which connect key areas within Limulunga and other significant routes such as the Muoyo Road and Presidential Avenue and Libonda Roads in Mongu not forgetting the Luanginga and Silanda Bridges and the road that connects those two Bridges in Kalabo District.



*Works on upgrading the section of the Mongu-Lusaka Road in Mongu from a two-lane to a four-lane dual carriageway.*

# CONSTRUCTION OF LUSANGAZI BAILEY BRIDGE IN EASTERN PROVINCE



*Construction of Lusangazi Bailey Bridge on the Petauke-Ukwimi Road in the Lusangazi District of Eastern Province.*

The construction of Lusangazi Bailey Bridge on Petauke-Ukwimi Road in the Lusangazi District of Eastern Province is underway.

The bridge is being constructed in-house by the Road Development Agency (RDA) Eastern Provincial Office, and currently, the launching of pipe culverts is ongoing in readiness for pouring of concrete.

This will be followed by the construction of the bearing shelf of the abutment.

Works are progressing well, and the target is to complete the works and open the bridge to traffic before the rains intensify.



# HOLDING MAINTENANCE WORKS ON THE CHIPATA-LUNDAZI ROAD



*Holding maintenance works on the Chipata-Lundazi Road in Eastern Province.*

The Road Development Agency (RDA) has been undertaking Holding Maintenance works on the Chipata-Lundazi Road in Eastern Province.

The works which resumed in July 2024 are an interim measure to ensure that the sections of the road in a poor state are worked on to make the road motorable during the rainy season. The works include the construction of a neat gravel wearing course, edge and shoulder repair, pothole patching and sealing works as well as minor reconstruction of selected sections.

Further, under the Millennium Challenge Compact (II) Project, 220 kilometers of Chipata-Lundazi Road will be rehabilitated. This includes the section up to the Chief Magodi area in Chasefu District.

Therefore, the scope of works for the current contractor has been revised to holding maintenance to ensure the road is motorable before the commencement of the Millennium Challenge Compact (II) Project.



*Holding maintenance works on the Chipata-Lundazi Road in Eastern Province.*

# MUFULIRA-MOKAMBO ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKS



*Holding maintenance works on the Mufulira-Mokambo Road on the Copperbelt Province.*

The Government, through the Road Development Agency (RDA) has been undertaking holding maintenance works on the Mufulira-Mokambo Road on the Copperbelt Province so that it is motorable during the rainy season.

As an interim measure, the graveling works on the 15.5 kilometres Mufulira-Mokambo have advanced under Force Account.

The Agency through the Copperbelt Provincial Office has covered about 5 kilometres graveling and has dumped 3.5 kilometres of gravel at various road sections.

This Mufulira-Mokambo Road has a signed Concession Agreement but considering the poor state of the road, holding maintenance works have been ongoing to improve traffic movement before the Concessionaire takes over. Works are currently at 55% and are earmarked to be completed by 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

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Mufulira-Mokambo Road, the urban dual carriageway and Border infrastructure at Mokambo in Mufulira District on the Copperbelt.

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*Dumping and graveling works on the Mufulira-Mokambo Road on the Copperbelt Province .*



The Road Development Agency (RDA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Review Namanje as the Director Corporate Services effective 2nd December 2024.

Mr. Namanje brings to the Agency a wealth of experience and expertise having worked in several high-level positions during his career spanning 18 years in Human Capital Management and Administration.

He possesses a bachelor's degree in Education and Psychology, Bachelor of Law Degree and a Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA).

Please accord Mr. Namanje all the support as he settles down in his position. His contact details are as follows:

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