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THE NATIONAL ICT BACKBONE INFRASTRUCTURE**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resulting from the Government and Private sector authorities' endorsement of the National "Ideal" ICT Backbone Network provided in the Report on Status of the National ICT Backbone Infrastructure (see Appendix G), the Ministry of Communication and Transportation (MOCT) through the National ICT Backbone Steering Committee in collaboration with WorITel of Geneva, Switzerland and CITCC of China formed a Technical Working Group (TWG) to perform a feasibility study on implementation of the National ICT Backbone Infrastructure.

As guided by Steering Committee, the duty of the Technical Working Group were to study the proposed "Ideal" backbone network (see Figure 1), for feasibility on its practical implementation and advise the Government through the national ICT Backbone Steering Committee accordingly. As a result of this study, the TWG has determined and herewith avails the resultant (practical) national backbone network that covers all 21 regions of Tanzania Mainland as shown in Figure 2 and future study will be carried out to establish similar capacity connectivity for the five regions in Zanzibar. The backbone network will provide ubiquitous capacity and future-proof resources to enable unrestricted provision of broadband rich ICT services down to the remote and rural areas. It will provide large bandwidth capacity for cross-border links to all neighbouring countries and connect to the EASSY submarine cable, COM-7 and other regional Optic Fibre Cable projects for improved inter-regional and international ICT based services including internet bandwidth.

The feasible National backbone network architecture mainly follows the proposed national "Ideal" backbone and will be built on three main Optic Fibre Cable (OFC) rings namely, the Northern ring, the Western ring and the Southern ring. Formation of these rings will be accomplished by consolidation of segments of the existing and planned OFC networks already on the ground from different national institutions like TANESCO, TRC, Songas and TAZARA; and bridging the eminent gaps between them for a full-fledged unified OFC national backbone network.

In the initial design of the National OFC backbone network, use of the latest bandwidth-rich transmission technologies such as Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) and Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) have taken precedence in order to guarantee ubiquitous capacity, quality performance and unconstrained ride in the ICT marathon to the far future. This national OFC backbone would form a "Carrier of Carriers" network providing

bandwidth capacity to all ICT service providers (fixed, mobile, voice, data, audio/ video broadcasting, multimedia) including the Public Services Telecommunications Network (PSTN) operators.

The TWG in considering implementation of this backbone network took into cognisance the need for the backbone to support provision of Universal ICT Services Access to the country by various service providers, competitively, in technology neutral environment and providing various ICT services.

The total cost for implementation of the National ICT OFC backbone network is estimated at **US\$ 170m** of which US\$ 107m would be required for construction of Optic Fibre Cable routes, US\$ 36m for provision of transmission equipment, US\$ 12m for power supply equipment and US\$ 15m for civil and other related works. Table 0-1 gives a summary of the cost breakdown.

Table 0-1: Summary of Cost Breakdown for the National ICT OFC Backbone

No.	Description	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
1	Optical Fiber Cable Installation	34,835,348.91	71,632,310.00	106,467,658.91
2	Transmission Equipment Installation	23,696,035.00	12,046,100.00	35,742,135.00
3	Power Supply System Installation	9,266,913.00	2,988,150.00	12,255,063.00
4	Civil Work And Others	-	-	15,067,000.00
5	Grand Total (USD)	67,798,296.91	86,666,560.00	169,531,856.91

Depending on availability of funds, the network can be implemented within a period of 24 months done simultaneously for efficiency and effectiveness achievement.

Based on the above, the Report recommends the following to the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania:

- (1) Consider and approve the report;
- (2) Facilitate availability of the necessary funds and other resources for immediate implementation of the National ICT Backbone Network as shown in Figure 2; and

- (3) Facilitate sustainable institutional arrangements for management of the National OFC Backbone network.

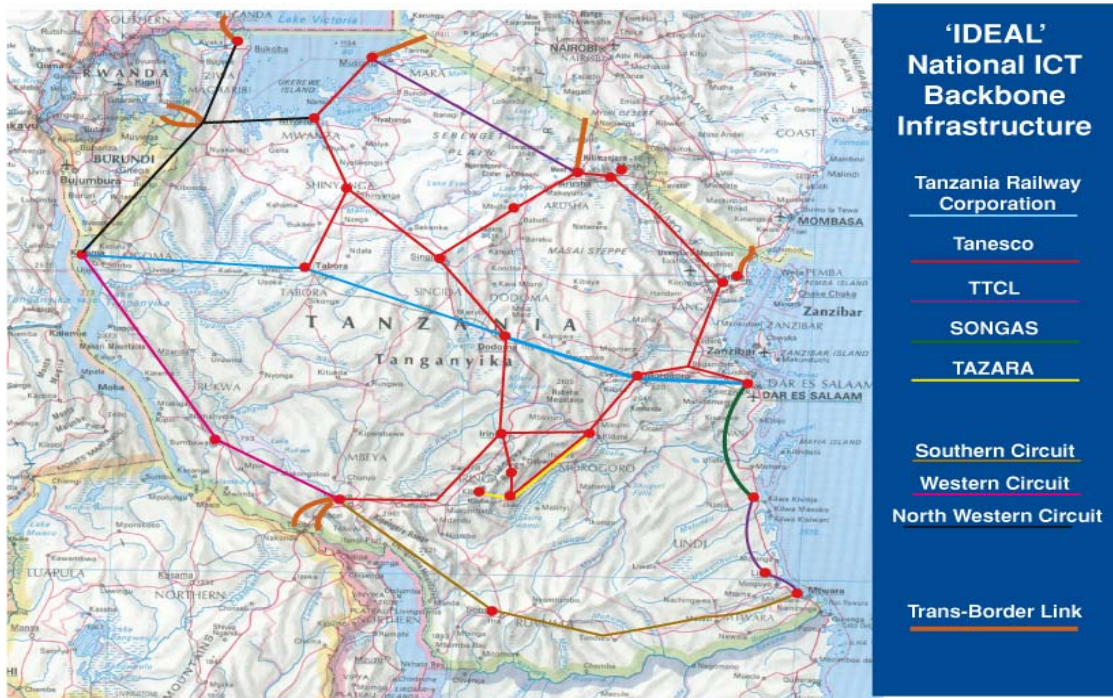


Figure 1: The National “Ideal” ICT Broadband Backbone (Source Nov 2004 Report –Appendix G)

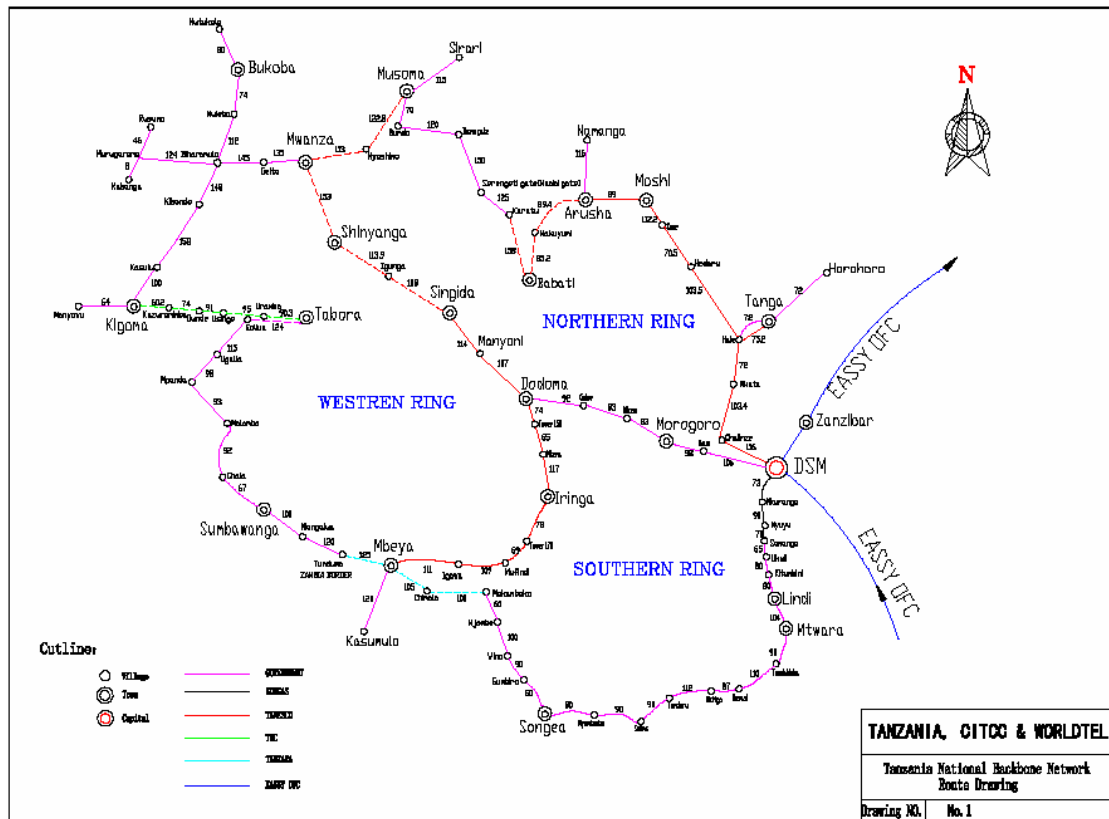


Figure 2: The National ICT OFC Backbone

List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

BOQ	- Bill of Quantities
	China International Telecommunications Construction
CITCC	- Corporation
COMTEL	- COMESA Telecommunications Company
DDF	- Digital Distribution Frame
DWDM	- Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing
EASSy	- East African Sub-marine Cable System
GDP	- Gross Domestic Product
HDPE	- High-Density Polyethylene
ICTs	- Information and Communications Technologies
IP	- Internet Protocols
ISPs	- Internet Service Providers
	Mkakati wa Kukuza Uchumi na Kuondoa Umaskini
MKUKUTA	- Tanzania
MOAT	- Mobile Operators Association of Tanzania
MoCT	- Ministry of Communications and Transport
OA	- Optical Amplifier
OADM	- Optical add/drop Multiplexer
ODF	- Optical Distribution Frame
OFC	- Optic Fibre Cable
OTM	- Optical Terminal Multiplexer
SDH	- Synchronous Digital Hierarch
SONGAS	- Songosongo Gas Supply
TANESCO	- Tanzania Electric Supply Company
TAZARA	- Tanzania Zambia Railway Authority
TCRA	- Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority
TISPA	- Tanzania Internet Service Providers Association
TPC	- Tanzania Posts Corporation
TRC	- Tanzania Railway Corporation
TTCL	- Tanzania Telecommunications Company Limited
UNMDGs	- United Nations Millennium Development Goals
USD	- United States Dollar
WDM	- Wavelength Division Multiplexing
ZANTEL	- Zanzibar Telecommunication Limited

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope of the Report

This report is prepared based on the preliminary investigation of the current situation of Tanzania existing national OFC backbone transmission networks. From the existing and planned networks belonging to the individual public institutions, a unified National ICT OFC Backbone Network is conceived and the overall implementation requirements resources are put forward. In summary the report addresses the following objectives:

- (1) Present result of the field investigation on the existing operational OFC networks and existing OFC network development plans;
- (2) Based on the result of the investigation, provide feasible backbone network architecture by consolidating some parts of the existing networks and plans, and bridging the network gaps for a unified National Backbone infrastructure.
- (3) Identifying the technical and financial requirements for implementation of the National ICT backbone infrastructure
- (4) Provide recommendation for implementation and operations of the National ICT backbone infrastructure.

1.2 Country Profile

1.2.1 General Information

Tanzania is a union of two countries namely, Tanganyika (Tanzania Mainland) and Zanzibar (Unguja & Pemba). The country is located in East Africa, sharing a boarder with Kenya and Uganda (North), Rwanda, Burundi and Republic of Congo (West), Zambia, Malawi and Mozambique (South) and Indian Ocean (East).

The country covers an area of **945,087km²** (continental-mainland **942,430km²**, Islands **2657km²** including Zanzibar and Pemba Islands).The total population of Tanzania, according to 2000 census is **32 Million** with a growth rate of **2.8%**.

Administratively, the United Republic of Tanzania has 25 Regions (Mainland 20 and Islands 5) and 114 Districts. The **25** regions are Arusha, Coast, Dodoma, Iringa, Kigoma, Mbeya, Mara, Kilimanjaro, Morogoro, Mtwara, Mwanza, Lindi, Ruvuma, Shinyanga, Singida, Tabora, Tanga, Kagera, Rukwa, Dar es salaam, Zanzibar Town/West, Zanzibar north, Zanzibar south, Pemba north, Pemba south.

The majority of Tanzanians (75%) dwell in rural areas while only 25% live in urban areas. However, in recent years the rate of urbanization has been increasing tremendously. The country is 45% forestry.

The country is blessed with natural resources like Diamond, Gold, Coal, Iron and Natural Gas while staple food for the population include Corn, Wheat, Rice and Green bananas. Coffee, Cotton, Sisal, Cashew and Clove serve as main economic crops in the United Republic of Tanzania. The GDP (in 2002) stood at 8400 Billion Tanzanian Shilling (about 865.9 Billion USD) at a growth rate of 6.2% (in 2002).

1.2.2 The State of Telecommunications

Since telecommunications sector liberalisation started, there has been growth in subscriber numbers as summarised in the table below:

Table 1.2-1: Tanzania Subscriber Growth Stastics

Year	Fixed phones	Mobile phones	Total
1995	88,000	2,198	90,198
1996	101,000	3,200	104,200
1997	114,600	20,045	134,645
1998	121,769	36,143	157,912
1999	150,220	50,100	200,320
2000	173,591	126,646	300,237
2001	177,802	285,970	463,772
2002	150,504	515,355	665,859
2003	199,110	815,000	1,014,110
2004	148,360	1,942,000	2,090,360

Source: TCRA

The graphical representation of the above tabulations is shown hereunder:

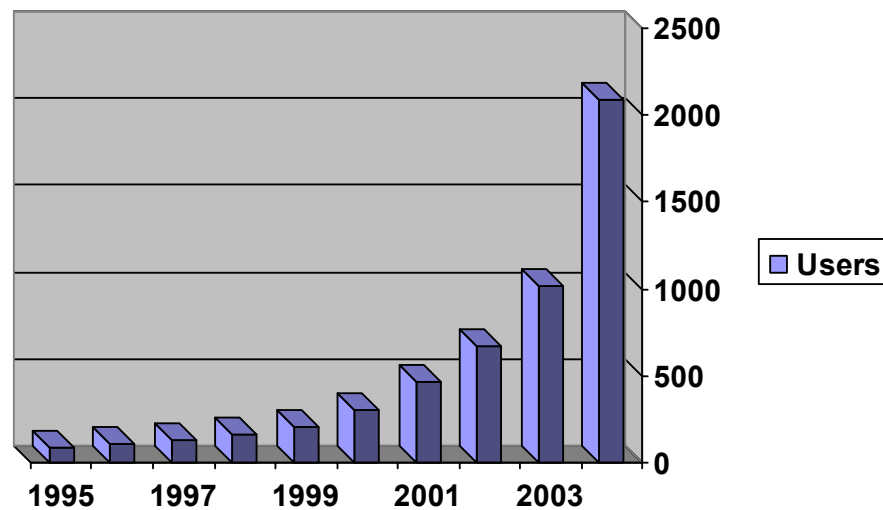


Figure 3: Graphical presentation of Subscriber statistics

In 1998, the capabilities of Tanzanian Telephone switching were 185,885 lines, increased 2% compared with preceding year. The fixed Telephone lines are 121,769, increased a little compared with past year. It was about 2% of the families installed the telephone in 1999.

There is only one Internet Exchange Point (IXP) in Tanzania managed by TISPA. Only eight (8) ISPs and three (3) non-ISPs are connected to the IXP.

Currently, the existing Optic Fibre Cable (OFC) transmission networks are privately operated by TRC, TAZARA, TANESCO and SONGAS. While the Microwave radio systems are mainly operated by TTCL and mobile cellular companies like MIC (T) Ltd, Vodacom (T) Ltd, Celtel (T) Ltd and Zantel.

Tanzanian electronic media is operating in free market principles. Private individuals are allowed to own Television and Radio Stations. Private entrepreneurs own newspapers as well as magazines and journals. By end 2004 there were 15 private Television Stations, one national TV station, 28 private Radio stations and only one national Radio station. Small TV operators like communities were also active and

there were 20 of them. On the other hand 15 cable TV operators were operational. There are a number of private newspapers and magazines. On this regard therefore adequate transmission capacities are very much needed.

1.3 The Importance of the Backbone OFC Project

Tanzania has a vision with relation to the development of ICT, that's "Tanzania to have a universally accessible broadband infrastructure and ICT solutions that enhance sustainable socio-economic development and accelerated poverty reduction nationally; become a hub of ICT Infrastructure regionally and be a full participant in the global Information Society." It is a well known phenomenon that telecommunication plays a vital role in facilitating the social-economic development thus well positioned to contribute significantly to the achievement of the objectives of the National strategy for Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction in Tanzania (MKUKUTA), National Development Vision 2005, and objectives of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals (UNMDGs) 2015 for poverty reduction.

(a) Facilitation of National Economic Development

Communication is an important component of social fertility; Information industry is basic for sound and strong national economy. The higher demands from the communication industry are asked to facilitate rapid acceleration in the development of the national economy. ICT is the key part of communication and the basic of industry development and realization of sound rural economy. For developing country like Tanzania, ICT backbone infrastructure is at the cross-roads, the impaired developments of national communication system has caused unbalanced developments between urban and rural economies. Therefore, for the long term benefits, the government intension is to pioneer investments flow for support the economy developments of balanced economies of scale. With this avail, the government intends to construct the nationwide OFC backbone transmission network,

to increase the long distance circuit capacity. In her endeavours to take the ICT services further, the Government has listed all potential remote and rural areas to be considered for ICT services provision. The national ICT backbone infrastructure aims at achieving this endeavor for facilitation of rapid economic development.

(b) To Fulfil the Increasing Demands to Information Services

Communication network is the principal part of information infrastructure, the carrier of information exchanging and transmission. Along with the tremendous increase of the new services and the market competition intensification, Tanzania is facing a new challenge and chance. The needs of various social fields to the multi-layer and diversification of information transmission also grow tremendously. For fulfilling the increasing demands to information services, expanding the market shares and developing the fields of new services, the construction of a long distance transmission network is imperative under the cornered situation.

(c) To Strengthen the Competitive Abilities of the Domestic Operators

The field of ICT in Tanzania has been in an effective competition marketing structure. Along with the foreign telecommunication operators participating in, the competition on the market of Tanzanian telecom operation must be very intensity. So that, as soon as possible to construct and improve a national backbone transmission network, and then to provide the reliable circuits, optical fibers or communication ductworks for hire to domestic telecom operators, to fulfill their needs on various new services and the potential needs of network operation enterprises are strictly needed for strengthen the Tanzania national competitive abilities. Strategically, the construction of Tanzania National Backbone Network shall make Tanzania as one of the transmission centers in its region. Realizing resources sharing of the National Backbone Infrastructure and promoting the concept of a converged and interconnected network that would allow stakeholders to 'invest' their networks to a grid of interconnectivity are very important. Thus, the returns of their investments are sought from a broader

perspective than that of a point to point connection.

(d) Necessary to Develop the High Speed Broadband Transmission

The developments of telecommunication technologies are changing quickly. The terms for updating the frameworks of telecom products are shorter and shorter again. The data flux on the telecom network must exceed the voice one. It pushes the traditional fixed telephone networks turn its development direction to the data services, especially to that of centralized on IP services. Finally, the ICT must support the new generation of Telecom Network that converged all of the confluent services including voice over IP. Therefore, towards the new services, leading ahead properly, to construct and improve the Tanzania national OFC Backbone as soon as possible, adopting the advanced and successful network organization technologies and in lower cost, Tanzania could rapidly and smoothly transit to an exceeding capacity, flexible and high efficient, safe and reliable, economical and applicable and wide bandwidth and high speed information network.

(e) To efficiently exploit the benefits from the EASSy Project

The EASSy project aims at providing high quality capacity optic fibre international connectivity from Tanzania, to within Africa and the rest of the world and reducing out payments to satellite telecommunications facility providers. In broad perspectives, the objectives of the project are:

- i. To improve high capacity optic fibre connectivity within East Africa and provide a gateway for the region to the rest of the world;
- ii. To bring the power of high speed and bandwidth connectivity to African countries and the rest of world;
- iii. To reduce unit costs (capital & operational) for global connectivity leading to increased profits, lower tariffs and charges for end users;

- iv. To provide direct routes through own infrastructure, obviating the need for transits through third parties hence, reduced out payments;
- v. To meet growing demand for Broadband (high bandwidth) Connectivity by users such as Internet Service Providers, Data service providers, Broadcasters and voice Service Providers; and
- vi. To facilitate the expansion of inter-Africa trade through provision of better and affordable communications in the region.

Countries in the Northern, Western and the Southern part of Africa currently are connected by various undersea optical fibre cable systems which not only provide intra-regional access for the countries connected to these systems, but also access to other international submarine optical fibre cable systems to the rest of continents.

The East African seaboard and landlocked countries do not have such systems in operation, nor plans to implement them in the near future. The only way for these countries to gain access internationally is via satellites.

A broadband service via satellites in comparison with similar access via optical fibre cables is very expensive. Satellite technology has technical constraints in terms of limited available bandwidth / capacity, transient transmission delays, quality and related prohibitive high bandwidth cost.

The EASSy project intends to implement a 9,900 Km under sea optical fibre cable system that will link the whole of the Eastern Africa Seaboard starting at Mtunzini near Durban in South Africa, the proposed submarine fibre cable will continue on Northwards, branching out to Maputo in Mozambique, Mahajanga in Madagascar, Dar Es Salaam and Zanzibar in Tanzania, Mombassa in Kenya and terminating at Djibouti and at Port Sudan. Provision is also made for the cable to provide branching to Mogadishu in Somalia.

Eastern Africa hinterlands and land-locked countries will be able to access the proposed EASSy System at the cable's appropriate shore landing stations at Mtunzini, Maputo, Mahajanga, Dar Es Salaam, Mombassa, Mogadishu, Djibouti and Port Sudan.

The current signatories of the EASSy project MoU in Tanzania are TTCL, ZANTEL Ltd, and SATCOM AFRICA NETWORKS (T) Ltd.

1.4 Composition of the Working Teams

1.4.1 The Steering Committee

The Steering Committee under the chairmanship of the Permanent Secretary, MoCT is made up of the Ministry of Communications and Transport, TCRA, Community representatives and ICT stakeholders in the country.

1.4.2 The Technical Working Group and its Terms of Reference

Out of the Steering Committee members (Appendix C), a Technical Working Group comprising of local Engineers and the CITCC (China) experts (Appendix D), was formed. This Working Group was given the following Terms of References:-

- (i) To study the proposed Ideal backbone as presented in the November, 2004 Report and based on it, conduct field survey and advice the Government on practical realization of the Ideal National ICT Backbone Infrastructure;
- (ii) To establish the required estimated costs to construct the national backbone;
- (iii) To jointly work and present a report by 9th June 2005

1.4.3 The Report Writing Group

The Report Writing Group Members (**Appendix: E**) comprises both Tanzanians and Chinese and was charged with putting in order the collected data and drafting of the final Report.

2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Demand Forecast

According to the Tanzanian vision on the National ICT OFC Infrastructure Backbone, the main objective of this project is to form a telecom backbone transmission network to satisfy domestic and global ICT requirements in the long term. It intends to provide long-distance telephone networks, data backbone networks and extend Internet bandwidth countrywide by offering sufficient capacities, network resiliency and guaranteed quality of service provision to meet the needs of voice, data, mobile, internet, leased circuit and more.

For the purpose of this investigation, the forecasted service demands are considered within a period of 3 to 5 years. The following factors have been considered in formulation of the service demand forecast: transmission requirements of different operators including fixed, mobile and data communications, the ever increasing requirement for transmission of high speed data, the development trend in telecommunications sector including the potential development of future ICT services and applications.

Detailed information on the forecasted 2Mb/s and 155Mb/s circuitries between different areas is provided in Table 2.1-1 and Table 2.1-2 respectively. From the tables it is evident that there is huge requirement of line capacity to transport ICT services and applications between cities and thus need for putting in place a high capacity ICT backbone infrastructure.

Table 2.1-1: 2Mbit/s Circuit matrix (63*E1)

No.	Region Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	DSM																				
2	LINDI	3																			
3	MTWARA	3	3																		
4	MOROGORO	3		3																	
5	DODOMA	5																			
6	SINGIDA					3															
7	TABORA					3	3														
8	IRINGA					3		3													
9	ARUSHA	5																			
10	MOSHI									3											
11	TANGA									4	3										
12	BABATI									3		3									
13	MWANZA	5				3				5											
14	SHINYANGA													3							
15	KIGOMA													3	3						
16	BUKOBA (BIHARAMULO)													5		3					
17	MUSOMA													3			3				
18	MBEYA	4				5															
19	SUMBAWANGA																			2	
20	SONGEA																			2	1
	Total	28	6	9	6	22	6	9	6	20	6	10	6	27	6	9	11	6	13	3	3

Table 2.1-2: 155Mb/s Circuit Matrix

No.	Region Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	DSM	1																			
2	Lindi	1	1																		
3	Mtwara	1	1	1																	
4	Morogoro	1		1	1																
5	Dodoma	1				1															
6	Singida					1	1														
7	Tabora					1	1	1													
8	Iringa					1		1	1												
9	Arusha	1								1											
10	Moshi									1	1										
11	Tanga									1	1	1									
12	Babati									1		1	1								
13	Mwanza	1				1				1				1							
14	Shinyanga													1	1						
15	Kigoma													1	1	1					
16	Bukoba (Biharamulo)													1		1	1				
17	Musoma													1			1	1			
18	Mbeya	1				1														1	
19	Sumbawanga																			1	1
20	Songea																			1	1
21	Total	7	2	3	2	6	2	3	2	5	2	3	2	7	2	3	3	2	4	2	2

2.2 Existing Networks and Plans for OFC Infrastructure

The existing OFC network and development plans in Tanzania are highly uncoordinated due to the fact that each institution holds own network and development plans. As per the assessment made on the existing and planned OFC infrastructures, the basic OFC networks suitable for the National backbone applications are separately owned by the following institutions TANESCO, TAZARA, TRC and SONGAS. The details of ownership are provided in table 2.2-1 and Figure 4 below.

Table 2.2-1: Status of OFC Lines

No.	Section	Distance (km)	Fibre core	Laying Method	Status	Remark
1	Iringa– Dodoma	237	1x24	Over Pylons	Phase 1- in Construction	TANESCO to use 8 cores
2	Iringa- Singida	210	1x24	Over Pylons	Phase 1- in Construction	TANESCO to use 8 cores
3	DSM-Tanga-Arusha Singida-Babati	885	1x24	Over Pylons	Phase 1- in Construction	TANESCO to use 8 cores
4	Mbeya –Iringa	357	1x24	Over Pylons	Phase 2 – Planned	TANESCO to use 8 cores
5	Arusha-Babati Musoma-Tabora Shinyanga- Singida	1264	1x24	Over Pylons	Phase 2- Planned	TANESCO to use 8 cores
6	Kihansi-Chita	4	1x24	Over Pylons	existing	TANESCO used 8 cores
7	Chita –Mangula	156	1x24	Over Pylons	existing	TANESCO used 12cores TAZARA used 12cores
8	Mangula –Kidatu	2.1	1x24	Over Pylons	existing	TANESCO used 8 cores
9	Tunduma-Mbeya- Makambako	200	1x24	buried	existing	TAZARA
10	Mlimba –Chita	23.5	1x12	buried	existing	TAZARA used 2 cores
11	DSM-Somanga	220	1x24	buried	existing	SONGAS used 2 cores
12	DSM-Morogoro	202	1x6	buried	existing	TRC used 2 cores
13	Morogoro-Dodoma	254	1x8	buried	existing	TRC used 2 cores
14	Kigoma-Tabora- Dodoma	792	1x12	buried	planned	TRC

Note: The existing OFC lines indicated as phase 1 is already under construction.

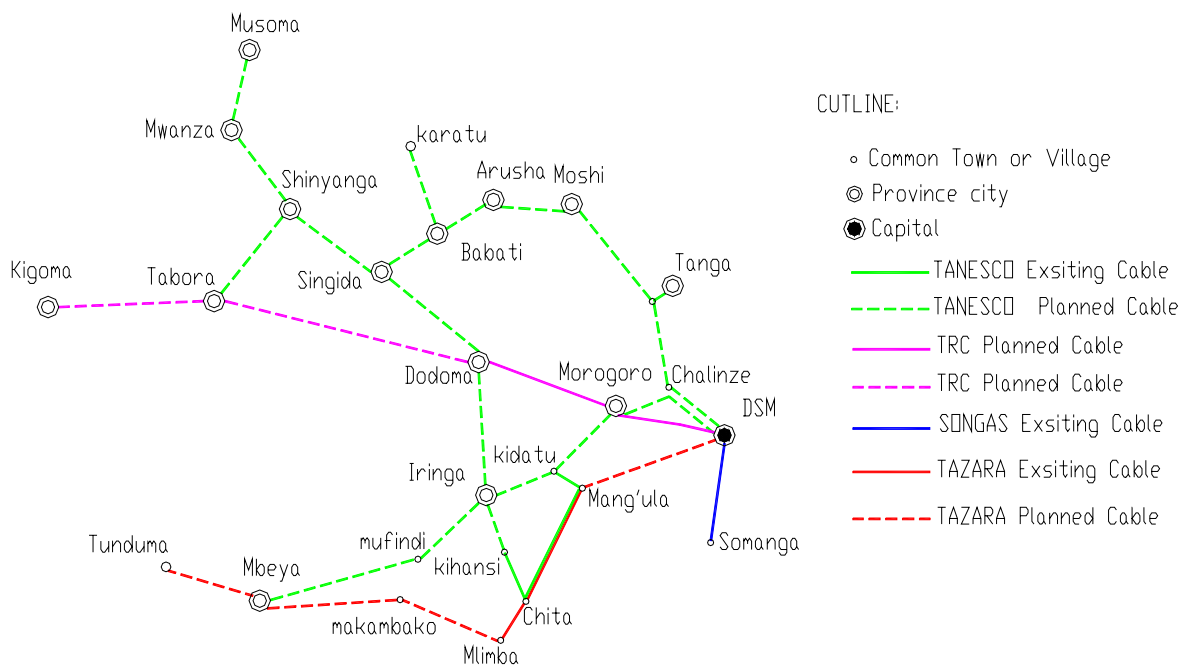


Figure 4: Layout of existing and planned OFC Lines

The above existing and planned individual OFC links does not provide balanced coverage to suit provisioning of quality ICT services nationwide and thus need to be integrated and improved for the formation of a unified National ICT Backbone Infrastructure.

2.3 Project Scope

The major need for construction of the network comes from massive growth in data and Internet traffic due to huge demands for communications. Main drive in this capacity growth is attributed to:-

- Requirement for formation of neutral National ICT backbone infrastructure for all operators
- Requirement to satisfy bandwidth needs of new broadband services including multimedia applications whose bandwidth requirements can not be fully met by the existing networks
- Increased demand for regional and global connectivity

It is intended that after implementation of the project, the system would be able to provide high capacity, network resiliency and quality performance for delivery of voice, data, IP based and image services and applications, and will also provide fibre capacity for lease and use by different operators. The system under this project is therefore geared to provide one of the key vehicles for achievement of sound socio-economic and industrial developments.

In this project, a total of about 6997 km OFC lines will be constructed. The newly-built OFC lines are 3,522 km, including 2,653 km of 48 cores and 869 km of 24 cores. For the rebuilt OFC links a total of 3,475km will be constructed, including 3,430 km of 48 cores and 45 km of 24 cores. About 160km of two HDPE pipe duct system would be constructed.

On the transmission equipments a total number of 93 DWDM and 39 SDH equipments and their respective network management systems will be provided.

Apart from provision of the proposed OFC and transmission systems, the project will provide power systems and equipment shelters.

3 THE PROPOSED OFC BACKBONE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

3.1 Design Considerations

The following factors have been considered for design of the transmission backbone network to be implemented:

- (1) Provision of abundant capacity
- (2) Guarantee high level of network resiliency and redundancy
- (3) Guarantee high quality of performance of transmission systems
- (4) Provide nationwide geographical coverage

3.2 Transmission Systems

Figure 5 below provide routing details of the proposed National OFC backbone transmission system. Three rings are planned to cover all 21 regional HQs in Tanzania mainland and one interconnection point at DSM for linking of Tanzania Island to the National backbone network through the EASSy network.

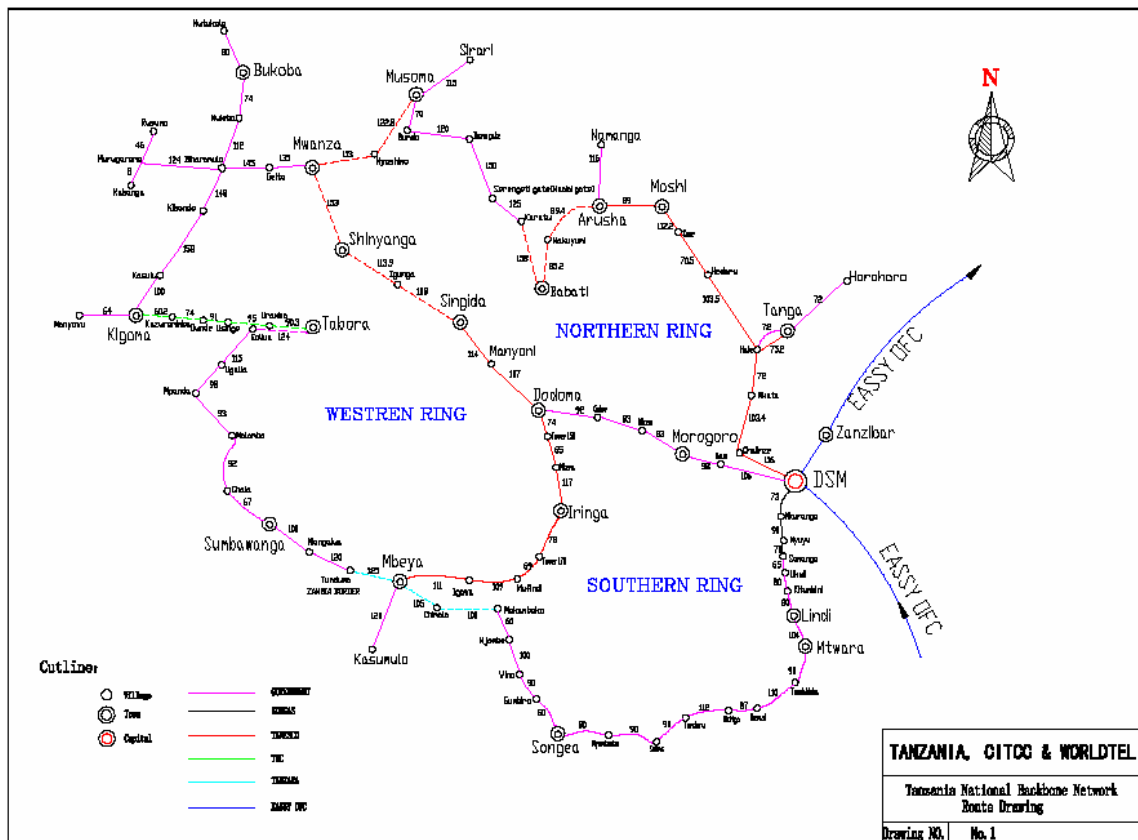


Figure 5: Routes of the Backbone Transmission Network

3.2.1 Network Architecture of Transmission Systems

Considering factors such as market competition, use of existing network resources, geographical location of different cities to be served, environment condition, development trend and speed of different areas, status of national economy, population density and service demands; the proposed architecture of the backbone transmission network is based on two layers; the DWDM and SDH layers as described below:

a) Architecture of DWDM layer

The DWDM layer will provide upper transmission layer of the backbone network. The DWDM will use ring framework. The rings will not only connect all regional centers and major centers but will also provide abundant transmission capacity through the DWDM equipment. By this way larger transmission capacities will be available throughout the country to satisfy demands of different users using limited OFC resources. Three transmission rings are proposed in the architecture namely: the Southern Ring, the Northern and the Western Ring. Also the DWDM layer includes one (1) spur. The individual parts of the DWDM layer are explained below as follows:

(i) The Northern ring

Route: DSM- The Dodoma – Singida- Shinyanga- Mwanza- Musoma- Babati –Arusha- Moshi- Tanga- DSM,

Length: 2905km of OFC,

Stations: 28 stations including 14 OADM and 14 OA stations

(ii) The Southern ring

Route: DSM-Lindi- Mtwara- Songea- Mbeya—Iringa- Dodoma- Morogoro- DSM,

Length: 2299km of OFC

Stations: 32 stations including 0 OADM and 22 OA stations

(iii) The Western ring

Route: Dodoma - Singida - Shinyanga - Mwanza - Biharamulo - Kigoma - Tabora - Sumbawanga - Mbeya - Iringa – Dodoma.

Length: 3253km of OFC,

Stations: 31 stations including 14 OADM and 17 OA stations

c) Northern Circuit

(i) Northern Ring No.1

DSM- Dodoma - Mwanza – Arusha. To take care of regional traffic routing between Dodoma Mwanza and Arusha areas. There are four (4) stations in the SDH ring.

(ii) Northern Ring No.2

Arusha- Moshi - Tanga - Babati –Arusha. To take care of regional traffic routing between Arusha Moshi Tanga and Babati regions. There are four (4) stations in the ring.

(iii) Northern Ring No.3

Mwanza - Musoma - Shinyanga - Mwanza. To take care of regional traffic routing between Mwanza Musoma and Shinyanga. There are three (3) stations in the ring.

d) Southern Circuit

(i) Southern Ring No.1

DSM - Dodoma - Mbeya - Songea –DSM. To take care of regional traffic routing between DSM Dodoma and Mbeya. There are four (4) in the ring.

(ii) Southern Ring No.2

DSM-Lindi- Mtwara - Morogo-DSM. To take care of regional traffic routing between DSM Lindi Mtwara and Morogo. There are four (4) stations in the ring.

e) Western Circuit

(i) Western Ring No.1

Mwanza - Biharamulo - Kingoma - Mwanza. To take care of regional traffic routing between Mwanza, Bukoba and Kingoma. There are three (3) stations in the ring.

(ii) Western Ring No.2

Dodoma - Singida - Tabora - Dodoma. To take care of regional traffic routing between Dodoma Singita and Tabora. There are three (3) stations in the ring.

(iii) Western Ring No.3 of SDH backbone transmission network

Dodoma - Sumbawanga - Mbeya - Iringa - Dodoma. To take care of regional traffic routing between Dodoma Sumbawanga Mbeya and Iringa. There are four (4) stations in the ring.

f) Spur links

The SDH spur links are provided for international interconnect with bordering countries: KENYA, ZAMBIA, MALAWI, UGANDA, RWANDA and BURUNDI. The total number of station for the spur links is ten (10). The details of the SDH network is given in figure 7 below.

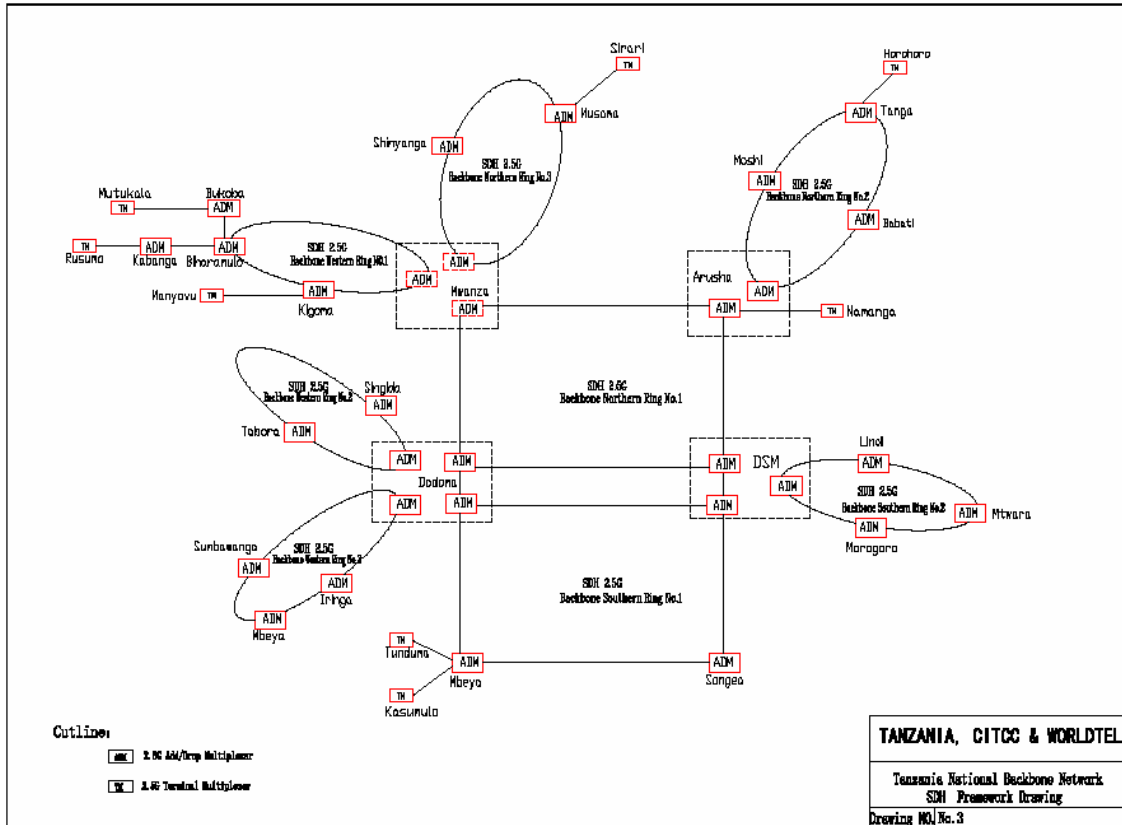


Figure 7: SDH network layer

3.2.2 Configuration of Transmission Line Capacity

All three OFC rings are provided with WDM-32 system based on SDH 2.5Gb/s line speed. As per the traffic forecast, the Northern WDM ring is provided with 4x2.5Gb/s SDH configuration, the Southern WDM ring with one 3x2.5Gb/s SDH configuration and the Western WDM ring with one SDH 4x2.5Gb/s SDH configuration. The only Biharamulo – Bukoba-Mtukula DWM link is provided with one (1+1)x2.5Gb/s SDH configuration.

3.2.3 Protection Method

a) WDM system protection

The WDM system can provide 1+1 optical layer line protection, 1+1 optical channel protection and 1:N channel protection.

(i) 1+1 Optical line protection mode

The 1+1 Optical layer line protection involves protection at optical physical line level as such two different physical OFC pairs are required to achieve protected line operation. Such configuration is generally applied in chain networks.

(ii) 1+1 Optical channel protection mode

1+1 optical channel protection mode involves protection at card level can be used in ring network but would still require use of two different optical cable pairs, one as working line, and another as standby line. If one link fails, the system rearranges automatically itself to secure uninterruptible communication services.

(iii) 1:N (N≤8) Wavelength protection mode

In the 1:N (N≤8) protection configuration, the standby wavelength channel is shared by all N active channels. If either of the working wavelength channel fails, the protection channel will take operation automatically according to the decision priority setup in place.

Under this project, 1:N (N<8) Wavelength Protection mode is employed.

b) SDH Network protection

Two kinds of protection modes are employed in the SDH layer: MSP in 1+1 / 1: N protection and MS-SPRing protection (using two or four fibre core ring).

The MSP (1+1) protection method is employed in Optical SDH links and in this case, TTCL's SDH microwave links can provide protection if the SDH OFC network fails.

The MS-SPRing protection is employed in SDH rings and it uses two optical fibre cores.

c) Equipment board protection mode

For the main equipment board of DWDM and SDH, It adopts 1+1 protection, one board working and another board standby. For branch board of SDH, it adopts 1: N protection.

3.2.4 Network Management System

According to the multi-layer structure of network management and operation system, two layers of network management systems are employed for this backbone project: Sub-network management (SNM) and Element management system (EMS) for separate management of both WDM and SDH networks. The main SNM center will be in DSM and will supervise the entire transmission network. The SNM center will manage two EMS centers, one in DSM responsible for management of north and south ring; and another in DODOMA responsible for management of West ring. The scope of supervision includes fault management, control management, configuration management and security management. For maintenance convenience reasons, local maintenance terminals are provided for to each local maintenance centers for supervision of OADM station in the WDM system. The local terminal can be used to configure new installations as well to perform local maintenance operations.

3.2.5 Service Communication System

A communication system is require facilitate maintenance services in WDM system by enabling voice communication among stations using E1 Octet of optical supervision circuit (OSC). The system is provided with two calling methods: selective and conference telephone calling.

3.2.6 Synchronisation System

Synchronisation system is used to provide synchronization signal to the transmission network. It will be used to synchronize equipment in all stations using external timing system (BITS) to be provided in this project. The ADM stations will achieve synchronization by receiving satellite timing signal in initial stages. The timing signal will bypass the SDH repeater stations (or SDH relay station). The external timing signal is 2Mb/s (framed) or 2MHz (unframed).

3.2.7 Equipment Selection

a) Selection Criteria

The transmission Equipments in this project should be in accordance with ITU-T relevant recommendations. DWDM system equipments will be selected and for interfacing with SDH equipment wave length converter will be adopted. The optical interface should be in

accordance with ITU G. 957 standard. The SDH transmission equipment should be in accordance with ITU G.813 standard. The protection between rings should be in compliance to with ITU G.842 standard. The Working power supply to be employed is -48v positive pole grounding. Equipment Cabinet height is 2.6, 2.2 or 2.0 meters.

b) Equipment Configuration

According to the network architecture under this project, the following quantities of transmission equipment are provided in table 3.2-1 below:

Table 3.2-1: Equipment Requirement

N0.	Equipments name	Unit	Qty.	Remark
1	Optical Add/Drop Multiplexer Equipments (OADM)	set	38	
2	Optical Terminal Multiplexer Equipments(OTM)	set	1	
3	Optical Amplifier Equipments (OA)	set	54	
4	SDH 2.5G Add/Drop Multiplexer Equipments (ADM)	set	31	
5	SDH 2.5G Terminal Multiplexer Equipments(TM)	set	8	
6	DWDM Sub-network Management System (SNM)	set	1	
7	DWDM Element Management System (EMS)	set	1	
8	SDH Sub-network Management System (SNM)	set	1	
9	SDH Element Management System (EMS)	set	1	
10	Local Craft Terminal	set	20	

3.2.8 Allocation of Transmission Equipment

The following criteria have been used for identifying and selecting locations at each station for installation of the transmission equipments

- (i) Making most use of the available existing resources like equipment rooms and power supply systems belonging to TTCL, TANESCO, TRC, TPC or other operators. For selection of repeater stations (OA stations), selection is should be

left for the best among available equipment rooms. In case there have no existing equipment room or the existing room does not have enough space, then the only viable solution is to construct new equipment room or refurbish the existing one.

- (ii) Availability of space (about 10-18 M² for an OA and 35-70 M² for Optical Terminal Station) for construction of new sites.
- (iii) Provision for extra space for future network expansions.
- (iv) Requirement for interconnection to the existing PSTN operators centers.
- (v) Suitability of stations in the design of the transmission nodes i.e distant between stations is within the specified range.

According to different functions and applications, the transmission stations are categorized as: ADM station, OTM station, OA station, TM station and Optical Jumper Station (OJ). The total number of all stations is 150. Table 3.2-8 provide schedule of the equipment placement.

Table 3.2-2: Schedule of transmission equipment allocation

No.	Station Name	Station Owner	Station Type	Commercial Power availability	Battery & Power Supply	Diesel generator	Remark
1	Mkuranga	SONGAS equipment room	OA	NO	YES	NO	NEW
2	Myuyu	SONGAS equipment room	OA	NO	YES	NO	NEW
3	Somanga	SONGAS equipment room	OA	NO	YES	NO	NEW
4	Ukuli	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
5	Kitumbini	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
6	Lindi	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
7	Mtwara	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
8	Tandahimba	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
9	Masaki	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
10	Michiga	New equipment room	OADM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
11	Tundura	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
12	Salims	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
13	Nyamtumbo	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
14	Songea	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
15	Gumbiro	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
16	Wino	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
17	Njombe	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
18	Makambako	TAZARA equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
19	Chimala	TAZARA equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
20	Mbeya TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
21	Mbeya(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
22	Mbeya(TAZARA Station)	TAZARA equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
23	Tunduma	TAZARA equipment room	OA、 TM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
24	Miangalua	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW

No.	Station Name	Station Owner	Station Type	Commercial Power availability	Battery & Power Supply	Diesel generator	Remark
25	Sumbawanga	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
26	Igawa	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
27	Mufindi	TANESCO equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
28	Tower NO.178	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
29	Iringa TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
30	Iringa(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
31	Iringa substation	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
32	Mtera	TANESCO equipment room	OA	YES	NO	NO	NEW
33	Tower NO.150	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
34	Dodoma	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
35	Dodoma(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
36	Dodoma substation	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
37	Manyoni	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
38	Singida	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
39	Singida(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
40	Singida substation	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
41	Gulwe	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
42	Kilosa	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
43	Morogororo	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
44	Msua	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
45	Chalinze	TANESCO equipment room	OA	YES	NO	NO	NEW
46	Mkata	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
47	Hale	TANESCO equipment room	OA	YES	YES	NO	Existing
48	Tanga (TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
49	Tanga (TTCL Office)	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing

No.	Station Name	Station Owner	Station Type	Commercial Power availability	Battery & Power Supply	Diesel generator	Remark
50	Hedaru	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
51	Same	TANESCO equipment room	OA	YES	YES	NO	Existing
52	Moshi (TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
53	Moshi (TANESCO substation)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
54	Moshi (TTCL Office)	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
55	Kiyungi	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
56	Arusha(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
57	Arusha (TTCL Office)	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
58	Njiro(TANESCO substation)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
59	Makuyuni	TTCL equipment room	OA	NO	YES	NO	Existing
60	Babati (TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
61	Babati (TTCL Office)	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	NO	Existing
62	Babati Substation	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
63	Karatu Substation	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
64	Karatu TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	NO	NEW
65	Serengeti gate(Naabi gate)	New equipment room	OADM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
66	Ikoma gate	New equipment room	OADM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
67	Bunda	TTCL equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
68	Musoma TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
69	Musoma(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
70	Nyashimo (Nasa)	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	YES	NO	Existing
71	Mwanza(TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
72	Mwanza(TANESCO Substation)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
73	Mwanza (TTCL Office)	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing

No.	Station Name	Station Owner	Station Type	Commercial Power availability	Battery & Power Supply	Diesel generator	Remark
74	Geita	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	NO	Existing
75	Biharamulo	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
76	Muleba	TTCL equipment room	OA	YES	NO	NO	NEW
77	Bukoba TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OTM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
78	Kibondo	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	NO	NEW
79	Kasulu	TTCL equipment room	OADM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
80	Kigoma TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
81	Kigoma TRC	TRC equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
82	Kazuramimba	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
83	Ilunde	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
84	Usinge	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
85	Kaliua	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
86	Urambo	TRC equipment room	OA	YES	YES	YES	Existing
87	Tabora TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
88	Tabora TRC	TRC equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
89	Ugalla	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
90	Mpanda	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
91	Malambo	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
92	Chala	New equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
93	Shinyanga TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
94	Shinyanga (TANESCO Office)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
95	Shinyanga (TANESCO Substation)	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
96	Igunga	TTCL equipment room	OA	NO	NO	NO	NEW
97	DSM TTCL	TTCL equipment room	OADM	YES	YES	YES	Existing
98	DSM SONGAS	SONGAS equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing

No.	Station Name	Station Owner	Station Type	Commercial Power availability	Battery & Power Supply	Diesel generator	Remark
99	DSM TANESCO	TANESCO equipment room	OJ	YES	NO	NO	Existing
100	Rusumo (Rwanda)	TTCL equipment room	TM	NO	YES	NO	Existing
101	Mutukala (Uganda)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
102	Sirari (Kenya)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
103	Namanga (Kenya)	TTCL equipment room	TM	NO	YES	NO	Existing
104	Horohero (Kenya)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
105	Kasumulo (Malawi)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
106	Manyovu (Burundi)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW
107	Kabanga (Burundi)	New equipment room	TM	NO	NO	NO	NEW

3.3 OFC Line Plant

3.3.1 OFC Route Selection Criteria

Routing of the OFC lines have been selected based on the following:

- (1) To satisfy requirement to reach all regional HQ and major centers
- (2) To allow easy and cost effective extension of tail links to small towns and rural areas
- (3) Existence of OFC along electricity high tension pylons and railways
- (4) To follow major roads for easy of accessibility
- (5) To maximize utilization of existing resources such as equipment rooms, power supply
- (6) Realization of easy interconnection to the existing telecom centers

Roads and Railway lines reach to many areas of the country so they have greatly influenced routing of the optical cable. Optical fibre cable is generally constructed along the highway and railway in the many circumstances due to availability of way leaves and easy of accessibility to sites.

3.3.2 OFC Capacity

The capacity and quantity of the OFC proposed under this project have been arrived at by considering the following factors:

- (1) Based on the forecasted demand
- (2) To satisfy requirements of all users in Tanzania
- (3) To provide spare capacity for future uses and take care of emerging new services such as data and image and multimedia
- (4) To allow smooth upgrades of the transmission systems.
- (5) To provide adequate capacity for domestic and international applications.
- (6) To provide high level of network resiliency, redundancy and reliability for offering quality services.
- (7) On construction and maintenance consideration aspects, requirement for quick repair during breakdown, fast development in the optical fibre technology, OFC structure, and cost aspects; it is recommended that the number of cores in a single cable need not be too large.

With regard to the above factors, it is recommended that the planned OFC network should have 48 cores while the links to borders with neighboring countries should be of 24 cores. Wherever the existing OFC line laid with 24 cores, then line will not be rebuilt, but when the existing OFC line is less than 24 cores, then the line will be needed to be rebuilt or upgraded.

3.3.3 Scope of OFC Proposed Backbone OFC

According to the structure of backbone network, the entire OFC network is made by two parts, part one is the *Rebuilt part* along the way leave owned by TANESCO, TRC, TAZARA, SONGAS (existing or planned) and part two is the *Newly-built part*, that closes the “gap parts” for rings formation.

The newly-Built part will provide 48 core cable of about 2653km in length, and 24 core cable of about 869 km in length. The Rebuild part will construct 48 core cable of about 3430 km and 24 core cable of about 45 km. The whole project will construct 48 core cable of about 6083 km and 24 core cable of about 914 km length in total.

The details of the OFC routing are indicated in the Figure 8 below:

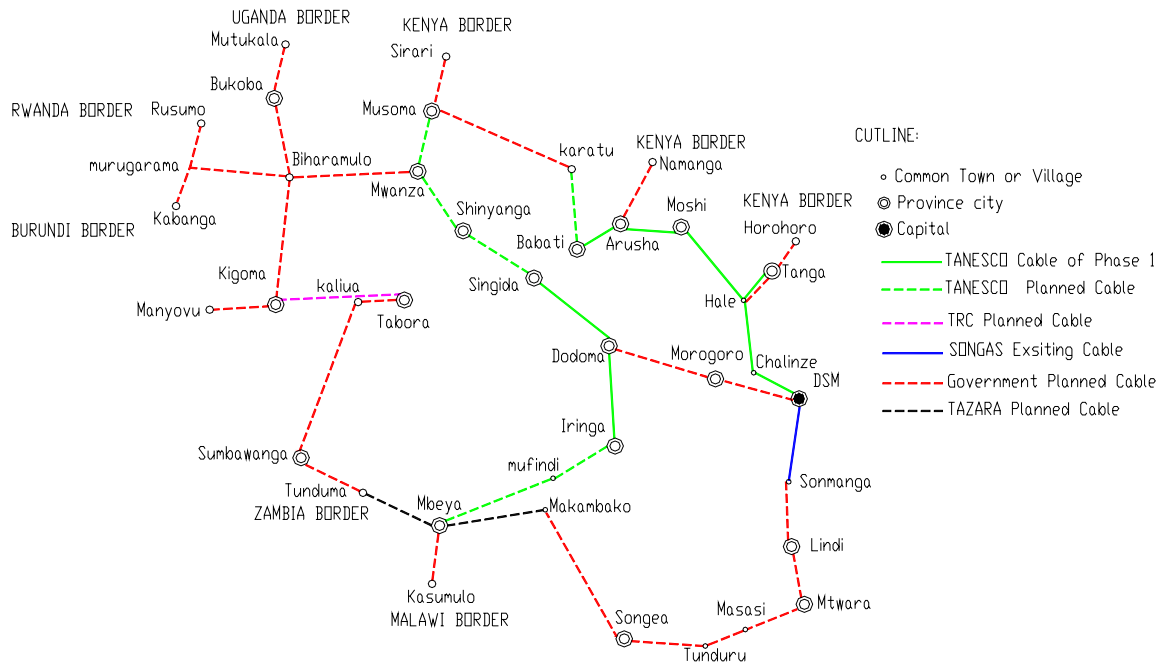


Figure 8: The Proposed National ICT OFC Backbone

a) The re-build Part

The rebuilt part deals with two categories of OFC construction works:

(i) Category 1

Categories 1 will have three situations of OFC construction works:

Situation 1:

Construction of OFC closing links (tie links) on the existing OFC links with 24 cores for extension to backbone network – newly built (TANESCO phase-1, SONGAS Somanga-Mtwara, Karatu-Musoma links).

Situation 2:

Construction of 48 cores cable on the existing OFC with insufficient cores - 6 cores DSM – Morogoro link and 8 cores Morogoro-Dodoma link both belonging to TRC

Situation 3:

Construction of 48 cores on links originally planned with 24 cores (TANESCO phase 2, TRC planned, TAZARA planned). Ref Table 3.3.1.

Table 3.3-1: OFC Links for Rebuild Portion

No.	Section	distance(km)	cores	Status	Remark
1	Kigoma-Tabora	410	1x48	TRC	Rebuilt
2	Mbeya –Iringa	357	1x48	TANESCO	Rebuilt
3	Babati – Karatu	158	1x48	TANESCO	Rebuilt
4	Arusha – Babati	166	1x48	TANESCO	Rebuilt
5	Singida – Shinyanga - Mwanza	375	1x48	TANESCO	rebuilt
6	Mwanza-Musoma	236	1x48	TANESCO	rebuilt
7	Mbeya –Chimala- Makambako	120	1x48	TAZARA	rebuilt
8	Mbeya –Tunduma	200	1x48	TAZARA	rebuilt
9	Karatu – Musoma	465	1x48		Newly built
10	Somanga - Lindi- Mtwara	327	1x48		Newly built
11	Dodoma –Morogoro –DSM	462	1x48	TRC	Rebuilt
12	Hale-Tanga	72	1x48		Newly built
13	Total	3348	1x48		

b) OFC Extension links

All central stations will use TTCL stations in the regional HQs and major towns, and when the existing OFC line is available, it will be used to connect to the central stations. The details of extension cable works are shown as follows:

ODFs installations will be done at the places where jumper cable will be employed for termination of the backbone OFC link at TTCL offices. For the purpose of line diversity and protection, station’s lead-in and lead-out lines will be run through separate physical routes. For instance, In the case of TANESCO office is a terminal one, only one lead-in route will run from the office, but if the office is a central (multi-directions), then two separate route will be run to TTCL’s offices for inclusion in the rings. The details are provided in Table 3.3-2 and the Figure 9 below.

Table 3.3-2: OFC Extension links

No.	Station name	Section	length (km)	Fiber core	Laying way
1	Mbeya	TANESCO office-TTCL	0.5	48	ducting
2	Mbeya	TAZARA station –TTCL	10	48	Ducting, Direct burying
3	Iringa	TANESCO station –TTCL	9	48	ducting
4	Tower 178	TANESCO OFC--OA station	0.5	48	Direct burying
5	DSM	SONGSA station-TTCL	13	48	ducting
6	Arusha	TANESCO station--TTCL	9	48	Direct burying
7	Makuyuni	TANESCO OFC—TTCL	0.8	48	Direct burying
8	Karatu	TANESCO OFFICE--TTCL	0.5	48	ducting
9	Nyashimo	TANESCO OFC--OA station	1	48	Direct burying
10	Igunga	TANESCO OFC--OA station	0.2	48	Direct burying
11	Babati	TANESCO office --TTCL	0.8	48	ducting
12	Babati	TANESCO station—TTCL	4	48	Direct burying
13	Musoma	TANESCO station—TTCL	3	48	Direct burying
14	Mwanza	TANESCO office –TTCL	0.5	48	ducting
15	Mwanza	TANESCO station—TTCL	9	48	Direct burying
16	Shinyanga	TANESCO office –TTCL	0.7	48	ducting
17	Shinyanga	TANESCO station—TTCL	15	48	Direct burying
18	Singida	TANESCO office –TTCL	0.8	48	ducting
19	Tabora	TANESCO office—TTCL	0.7	48	ducting
20	Tabora	TRC station –TTCL	1.3	48	ducting
21	Kigoma	TRC station—TTCL	0.4	48	ducting
22	Makambako	TAZARA station—TTCL	1	48	ducting
23	Iringa	TANESCO office-TTCL	1	24	ducting
24	Dodoma	TANESCO office-TTCL	1	24	ducting
25	Dodoma	TANESCO station –TTCL	9	24	Direct burying
26	Singida	TANESCO station –TTCL	8	24	Direct burying
27	Tower 150	TANESCO OFC--OA station	0.5	24	Direct burying
28	DSM	TANESCO station—TTCL	13	24	ducting
29	Mkata	TANESCO office—OA station	0.8	24	Direct burying
30	Tanga	TANESCO office --TTCL	0.2	24	ducting
31	Hedaru	TANESCO OFC--OA station	1	24	Direct burying

No.	Station name	Section	length (km)	Fiber core	Laying way
32	Moshi	TANESCO office --TTCL	0.2	24	ducting
33	Moshi	TANESCO station—TTCL	10	24	Direct burying
34	Arusha	TANESCO office --TTCL	0.3	24	ducting
35	Subtotal 1		82	48	
36	Subtotal 2		45	24	

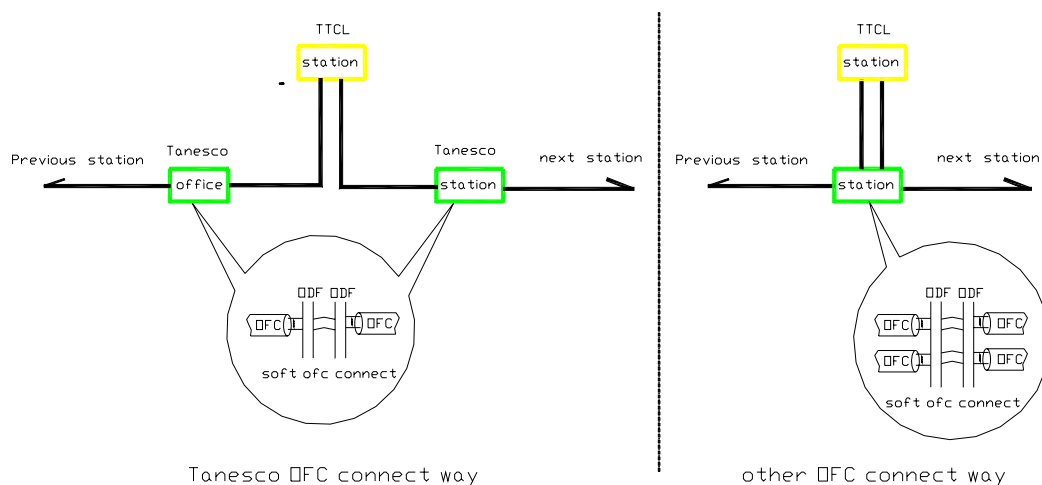


Figure 9: OFC Connection method

c) Newly-Built Part

The newly-built part of OFC constructions include four portions: the Southern Circuit, the Western Circuit, the North-Western and the international links to bordering countries:

Southern Circuit

This comprise of 48 core cable for closing of the Southern ring. The cable will start at Mtwara leading east to Masasi, Tunduru, Songea and terminating in Makambako. The route from Makambako to Mbeya will use the TAZARA fiber optic cable. This will provide a ring that will increase resilience and redundancy for TANESCO, TAZARA and TTCL networks for southern bound traffic. It would also have the potential of carrying across the trans-border traffic from neighboring countries. The total length of the route is 969 km.

Western Circuit

This comprise of 48 core cable for closing of the Western ring. The cable will start at Tunduma leadng to Tabora via Sumbawanga. This would create another major ring spanning from Mbeya, Tabora, Dodoma and Iringa. This route is 809 km in length.

North-western Circuit

A 48 core link from Kigoma to Biharamulo and Mwanza with a spur to Bukoba, would complete the western ring spanning from Kigoma, Biharamuro, Mwanza, Shinyanga, and Tabora. The route is 875 km in length.

Cross-border links

The cross-border OFC route under this project will comprise the following links:

- (i) 24 core cable from Mbeya to Kasumulo for linking to MALAWI. The route is 120 km long.
- (ii) 24 core cable from Bukoba to Mutukula for linking to UGANDA. The route is 80 km long.
- (iii) 24 core cable from Biharamulo to Rusumo for linking to RWANDA. The route is 170 km long.
- (iv) 24 core cable from Biharamulo to Kabanga for linking to BURUNDI. The route is 132 km long.
- (v) 24 core cable from Kigoma to Manyovu for linking to BURUNDI. The route is 64 km long.
- (vi) 24 core cable from Tanga to Horohoro for linking to KENYA (lower border). The route is 72 km long.
- (vii) 24 core cable from Arusha to Namanga for linking to KENYA (central border). The route is 116 km long.
- (viii) 24 core cable from Musoma to Sirari for linking to KENYA (upper border). The route is 115km long.
- (ix) 24 core cable from Mbeya to Tunduma will use TAZARA fiber optic cable for linking to ZAMBIA.

The total length of the cross-border cable is 869 km. Details are provided in Table 3.3-3 below.

Table 3.3-3: New Built OFC routes

No.	Section	length (km)	Fiber core	Laying way
1	Mtwara-Songea-Makambako	969	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
2	Tunduma—Sumbawanga	220	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
3	Sumbawanga—Tabora	589	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
4	Mwanza—Biharamulo	280	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
5	Biharamulo—Bukoba	186	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
6	Biharamulo—Kigoma	409	1x48	Direct burying , Ducting
7	Mbeya—Kasumulo	120	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
8	Bukoba—Mutukala	80	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
9	Biharamulo—Rusumo	170	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
10	Biharamulo—Kabanga	132	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
11	Kigoma—Manyovu	64	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
12	Tanga—Horohoro	72	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
13	Arusha—Namanga	116	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
14	Musoma—Sirari	115	1x24	Direct burying , Ducting
15	Subtotal 1	2653	1x48	
16	Subtota 2	869	1x24	

3.3.4 OFC Laying and Installations

a) Choice of OFC Laying Method

There are three methods for installation of the OFC: direct buried, aerial and ducting. Normally, the life time of OFC line usage is for 30 years. The aerial OFC line appears to be less secure due to its vulnerability to animal and human activities thus only recommended for short term and medium term solutions. The direct buried OFC line is more secure, but entails higher costs due to large scope of civil works, compensation for farm crossing, crossing roads etc; like the direct buried cable, the ducted cable is secure and additionally can provide multi-ducts thus gives allowance for future use or expansion, however, it is the most expensive option.

According to the route conditions that we have seen during the preliminary survey, some sections of the routes are located in a highland and mountainous areas. In areas where it is thought the that mountainous condition will provide difficulties in the construction works,

TANESCO power pylons will be used for carrying the OFC and this case it means adoption to aerial method through high-tension transmission.

Direct buried cable method is suggested for adoption in areas where the land is relatively flat and of average soil condition. The direct buried routes are selected to follow the main roads, through villages and are negotiated carefully to easy accessibility & construction works across the woodland, forest and rock mountainous areas. In average buried cable route is placed at about 100-200m in length away from the roads. In case of odd soil conditions sections like hard rock or difficult mountains, the aerial method is opted for the cable construction.

In the urban areas, ductwork system will be adopted for laying the OFC lines and has been noted that TTCL has existing duct systems in almost every urban ship therefore it is better to make the most use of it for installation of the OFC backbone. Wherever the existing ducts will need modifications or expansion, then PVC plastic pipes may be adopted. For OFC going through small villages or small townships, it is recommended to use direct buried cable method.

b) PVC Pipe Line Capacity and Construction Scope

Due to diversified possible use of the OFC lines i.e , there leased dark fibre or wave length for private / corporate use and possible future cable upgrades, there is need to allow for provision of atleast spare PVC plastic pipe duct capacity along the backbone duct sections. In this project, 20km of 4 PVC pipe duct system is recommended for DSM area. Likewise for the other four (4) zonal cities of MWANZA, ARUSHA, MBEYA and DODOMA, 10km of 4 PVC pipe duct system is recommended. And for other remaining municipalities and towns, 6km of 4 PVC pipe duct system is proposed. In small towns, 2km of 2 PVC pipe duct system will be adequate. In total 700 km of PVC duct system will be constructed under this project. The exactly scope of the duct construction works and the relative technical requirements will be discussed in the detail during detail design phase.

c) Optical Cable Line Protection

Some protection measures will have to be employed in order to cancel effects of any undesirable induction due to electrical and electromagnetic fields. In this case though the cable will have no metal conductors/pairs, some metal components are inherent in the cable mechanics and thus the following protection measures will be employed in the design stage in order to cancel the effect of the electromagnetic inductions:

(i) Anti- lightning strike

Besides suffering from direct effect of lightning strike hit, the cable line is also vulnerable to the effect of electric arc and ground potential difference caused by the strike. When the strike current exceeds the designed intensity destructive damage to the cable and equipment can be sustained. The anti-strike measures can be applied under such situations to mitigate its destructive effect. Detail information on the strike protection method will be provided in the detail design stage

(ii) Damp proof

Fiber optical cable is generally vulnerable to wear and erosion if subject for a long time to damp or water-logged condition. In effect the cable performance will degrade progressively with time by increased transmission attenuation and hence reduced its designed lifetime significantly. As protection to such effects, damp proof layer or shield and jelly-filler measures are employed.

d) Optical Cable Specifications

(i) G.652 optical fibre

- a. Single-mode optical fibre recommended by ITU-T
- b. Mode field diameter (wavelength of 1310nm, defined by Peterman)
 - Standard value: getting one between 8.6 and 9.5 μ m
 - Difference: not exceeding $\pm 0.7\mu$ m
- c. Cladding diameter
 1. Standard value: 125.0 μ m
 2. Difference: not exceeding $\pm 1\mu$ m
- d. Concentric difference based on the wavelength of 1310nm:
 - not more than 0.8 μ m
- e. Non-concentric extent of fiber cladding: less than 2.0%
- f. Fibre curl extent: curvature radius of 4.0m
- g. Fiber cutoff wavelength fiber cutoff wavelength should meet the requirement of the λ_{cc} as below:
 - λ_{cc} (test with 20 meter optical cable plus 2 meter fibre) :
 $\leq 1260\text{nm}$

h. Fiber attenuation coefficient

- Largest fiber attenuation coefficient based on wavelength of 1310nm 0.36dB/km

By comparison, the difference of the attenuation coefficient based on the wavelength of 1310nm and any other wavelength which is between 1285-1330nm should not exceed 0.03dB/km.

- Maximal attenuation value of the wavelength of 1550nm is 0.22dB/km.

By comparison, the difference of the attenuation coefficient based on the wavelength of 1550nm and any other wavelength which is between 1480-1580nm should not exceed 0.05dB/km.

- Fiber attenuation curve should be of good linearity and have no distinct step. The attenuation value of any 500-meter-long fiber tested by OTDR based on the wavelength of 1310nm and 1550nm should not exceed $(\alpha \text{ mean} + 0.10\text{dB})/2$, α mean is the average attenuation coefficient of fiber.

- i. Curve attenuation characteristic of the fibre based on the wavelength of 1550nm and 1625nm. The maximal attenuation value of fiber G.652A at the window of 1550nm is 0.50dB when coiled loosely by 100 circles with the bending radius of 30 mm, Maximal attenuation value of fiber G.652B and G.652C at the window of 1625nm is also 0.50dB. Maximal attenuation value of G.652D fiber at the window of 1625nm is 0.50dB.

j. Dispersion

The range of zero dispersion wavelength is 1300-1324nm;

The slope of maximal zero dispersion should not exceed $0.093\text{ps}/(\text{nm}^2.\text{km})$.

k. Polarization Mode Dispersion

Polarization Mode Dispersion coefficient of one reel of cable at the window of 1550nm should not exceed $0.20\text{ps}/\sqrt{\text{km}}$; Polarization Mode Dispersion of optical cable line (≥ 20 reel) should not exceed $0.15\text{ps}/\sqrt{\text{km}}$.

l. Tensile filtering experiment

All of the one-off coating fiber must be tested by tensile filtering experiment before being made into optical cable. The pull should not be less than 8.2N

(about 0.69GPa、100kPsi, strain of fiber is about 1.0%) , and the experimental time is about 1 s.

(ii) Cable

- Cable structure

The structure of optical cable core is loose tube layer wound type, and the number of cable core is 48 in this project.

- Type of optical cable outer sheath structure and occasions for use.

Pipe cable is laid in downtown pipes or in bridges between pipes. Direct buried cable (type I) is laid along highway or bridges in the middle of the segment.

- Mechanical Characteristics

Optical cable mechanical characteristics should comply with the index in Table 3.3-4. When optical cable suffers from permitted pull and stress in a short time, the additional attenuation should be less than 0.1dB and the strain should be less than 0.1%. When the pull and stress is released, there should be no distinct residual additional attenuation and strain in optical fiber, and optical cable has no distinct residual strain also, and there should be no visual split in sheath. When cable suffers from permitted pull and stress in a long time, there should be no distinct residual additional attenuation and strain in optical fiber.

Table 3.3-4: Right pull and Stress for the Cable

Type	Right pull (N)		Right stress (N/100mm)	
	Short time	Long time	Short time	Long time
Pipe cable	1500	600	1000	300
Direct buried cable	3000	1000	3000	1000

- Requirements of environmental temperature

Operation: $-30^{\circ}\text{C} \sim +70^{\circ}\text{C}$

Laying: $-15^{\circ}\text{C} \sim +60^{\circ}\text{C}$

Transportation and Storage: $-50^{\circ}\text{C} \sim +70^{\circ}\text{C}$

- Reel length of optical cable
Optical cable standard length of one reel is 3000m and 2000m.
- Standard thickness of outer plastic sheath of optical cable is more than 2.0mm.
- Optical cable PE sheath insulation resistance
Tested after having dipped in water for 24 hours, the insulation resistance of optical cable sheath should not be less than 2000MΩ.km (tested by 500v direct current)
- Dielectric strength
After dipped in water for 24 hours, dielectric strength of the outer sheath which is between steel tape and earth will not be less than 15KV 2minute in direct current. And dielectric strength which is between steel tape and the metal strong core will not be less than 20KV 5second in direct current.
- Other
For reconstruct part of TENESCO, it depends on the status of different using, to choice OPGW or ADSS.

3.4 Associated Construction Works Requirement

3.4.1 Requirement of Telecom Station

a) Equipment Room Condition

(i) Indoor requirements:

Permanently air conditioned maintained to the following conditions:

- a. Temperature: $25\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$;
- b. Relative Humidity: 45%~65%;
- c. Variation Rate of Temperature: $< 5^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{h}$, without the dew coming into being;
- d. Anti-dust: the quantities of dust specks in the air tested on the static state should be less than 18000 speck per litre.

(ii) Outdoor requirements:

Resistible to burning, non-explosive items, non-volatile gas, non-susceptible to strong electromagnetism field, strong to vibrations or strong noises pollutions with source near the equipment room and any factor which will harm the normal operation of the system should be found and avoided.

(iii) Floor Height:

The height of the floor of the house should comply with the standard on which the machine with a height of 2200mm or 2000mm can be installed; the practicable height of the room should be no less than 3meters.

(iv) Floor Load Bearing Capacity:

The floor should be capable handling load of at least 600 Kg/m² with the machine installed in the house arranged by the mode of face to back or back to back; the loading of the floor should be at least 800Kg/ m² with the accumulator installed in;

(v) Inside Fitness:

The fitments inside the room should conform to the requirement for installation of communication equipments, and it is recommended to use durable materials, anti-dust, anti-slide and non-burning materials. Not allowed to use the materials such as wood floor and suspended ceiling and plastics. Some measure should be taken on hole be well sealed: anti-fire, anti-wet or anti-bugs;

(vi) Safety & Fire Control:

Safety and Fire control measures should conform to the Safety Regulations & provisions in place for buildings;

(vii) Grounding Requirement:

Common grounding for building and equipment is recommended for proper protection against lightning. The grounding resistance should be less than 1 ohm.

3.4.2 Requirement for Power Supply System

A power supply system for telecom equipments must be safe and reliable. Power supply is the key component on operation of telecommunication equipments. The power supply quality will directly influence performance of the communication network, thus in order to ensure availability of communication services the power supply must work prudently within the specified limits and with high level of availability.

For this project, detailed information of status of all surveyed stations is provided as follows:

- (i) All TTCL's major stations have Commercial power, standby diesel generators and Rectifier and backup batteries. For the remote microwave station where there is no commercial power, TLL have adopted use of solar power systems.

- (ii) TANESCO uses Commercial power supply for equipment in all stations. TRC and TAZARA employ solar power system for their remote stations.

Under this project, use of existing power systems is opted wherever the power system has adequate spare capacity. In case the existing power supply system is not adequate there is need add separate power equipment however, the capacity of the new power supply equipment is dimensioned for equipment under this project only.

a) Types of Power Supply system

There three kinds of power supply works considered for this project depending on situation of each station:

(i) Integrating to existing Power supply system

In case of availability of commercial power and existing standby generator, new power installation will cover provision of new Rectifier & Batteries. The new power equipment will be integrated to the existing AC power sources. This scenario is typical of many TTCL stations.

(ii) Provision of Mini-type Power Supply System

The scope of power equipment provision for new stations will include connection to commercial power if available, new generator, new rectifier & batteries, such type of power system is typical of TTCL and TANESCO stations.

(iii) Provision of Solar Power Supply System

For solar power stations, the scope of power supply equipment will entail provision of complete new solar power supply system, consisting of solar panels, batteries and regulator. The scenario is typical for remote stations belonging to TTCL, TRC and TAZARA. Detailed requirement for power supply installations under this project is given in table 3.4-1 below:

Table 3.4-1: Power Supply System Installation of All Stations

No.	Name of station	Position of station	Type of station	integration Power	minitype Power	solar Power	Remark
1	Mkuranga	Near SONGAS station	OA			1	
2	Myuyu	Near SONGAS station	OA			1	
3	Somanga	Near SONGAS station	OA			1	
4	Ukuli	New	OA			1	
5	Kitumbini	New	OA			1	
6	Lindi	TTCL room	OADM	1			
7	Mtwara	TTCL room	OADM	1			
8	Tandahimba	TTCL room	OA		1		
9	Masasi	TTCL room	OA		1		
10	Michiga	New	OADM			1	
11	Tundura	TTCL room	OA		1		
12	Salims	New	OA			1	
13	Nyamtumbo	New	OA			1	
14	Songea	TTCL room	OADM	1			
15	Gumbiro	TTCL room	OA			1	
16	Wino	TTCL room	OA		1		
17	Njombe	TTCL room	OA		1		
18	Makambako	TTCL room	OADM		1		
19	Chimala	TAZARA station	OA			1	
20	Mbeya	TTCL room	OADM	1			
21	Tunduma	TAZARA station	OA			1	
22	Miangalua	New	OA			1	
23	Sumbawanga	TTCL	OADM	1			
24	Igawa	New	OA			1	
25	Mufindi	TANESCO station	OA		1		
26	Tower 178	New	OA			1	
27	Iringa TTCL	TTCL	OADM	1			
28	Mtera	TANESCO station	OA		1		
29	Tower 150	New	OA			1	
30	Dodoma	TTCL room	OADM	1			

No.	Name of station	Position of station	Type of station	integration Power	minitype Power	solar Power	Remark
31	Manyoni	TTCL room	OA			1	
32	Singida	TTCL room	OADM	1			
33	Gulwe	TRC room	OA			1	
34	Kilosa	TRC room	OA			1	
35	Morogoro	TTCL room	OADM	1			
36	Msua	TRC room	OA			1	
37	Chlinze	TANESCO room	OA		1		
38	Mkata	New	OA			1	
39	Hale	TANESCO room	OA		1		
40	Tanga	TTCL room	OADM	1			
41	Hedaru	New	OA		1		
42	Same	TANESCO room	OA		1		
43	Moshi	TTCL room	OADM	1			
44	Arusha	TTCL room	OADM	1			
45	Makuyuni	TTCL room	OA			1	
46	Babati	TTCL room	OADM	1			
47	Karatu	TTCL room	OADM		1		
48	Serengeti gate	New	OADM			1	
49	Ikoma gate	New	OADM			1	
50	Bunda	TTCL room	OA			1	
51	Msoma	TTCL room	OADM	1			
52	Nyashimo	TTCL room	OA			1	
53	Mwanza	TTCL room	OADM	1			
54	Geita	TTCL room	OADM		1		
55	Biharamulo	TTCL room	OADM		1		
56	Muleba	TTCL room	OA			1	
57	Bukoba	TTCL room	OADM	1			
58	Kibondo	TTCL room	OADM		1		
59	Kasulu	TTCL room	OADM			1	
60	Kigoma	TTCL room	OADM	1			
61	Kazuramimba	TRC room	OA		1		
62	Ilunde	TRC room	OA		1		

No.	Name of station	Position of station	Type of station	integration Power	minitype Power	solar Power	Remark
63	Usinge	TRC room	OA		1		
64	Kaliua	TRC room	OA		1		
65	Urambo	TRC room	OA		1		
66	Tabora	TTCL room	OADM	1			
67	Ugalla	New	OA			1	
68	Mpanda	TTCL room	OADM		1		
69	Malambo	New	OA			1	
70	Chala	New	OA			1	
71	Shinyanga	TTCL room	OADM	1			
72	Igunga	New	OA			1	
73	DSM	TTCL room	OADM	1			
74	Rusumo	TTCL room	TM			1	
75	Mutukala	New	TM			1	
76	Sirari	New	TM			1	
77	Namanga	TTCL room	TM			1	
78	Horohoro	New	TM			1	
79	Kasumulo	New	TM			1	
80	Manyovu	New	TM			1	
81	Kabanga	New	TM			1	
82	Total			20	22	39	

3.4.3 Power Supply Supervision System

All power supply equipments need to be supervised remotely from the central monitoring station. Under this project, alarm signals of different power equipment (solar batteries, rectifiers, batteries and so on) and other house keeping alarm signals will be relayed to the maintenance centre through supervision system for monitoring purpose.

3.4.4 Construction of OFC Duct System

a) Requirement of Ductwork Routes

- (i) Duct routes should avoid to be constructed along temporary road, along roads under construction, or along soft (non-compacted) road.
- (ii) Duct pipes should be constructed away from contaminated canal with erosive chemicals.
- (iii) Clear streets with few barriers (underground and above ground) could be the better choice for the construction.
- (iv) Precautions should be made when constructing duct routes on the same side of the road with combustible gas-pipes and high voltage power lines, and if that can not be avoided then they should keep a fair distance with one another.

b) Locations of Ductwork Routes

- (i) The ductwork systems should be constructed within pavement of town streets, and if it is impossible for them to be constructed within the pavement, they may be put under the slow driveway and not under the fast driveway.
- (ii) If ductworks are done along highways, then ducts should be constructed within the isolation zone.
- (iii) The center line along pipes routes should be parallel with the center line of roads.
- (iv) Communication duct pipes lines should not be constructed near each other, if necessitate be in same route then they should be separated by reasonable difference in depth.

3.5 Estimation of Investment Cost

3.5.1 Explanation of BOQ

This BOQ is prepared based on data collected from different institutions and data obtained during preliminary survey carried out by the joint team of Tanzania and CITCC.

The price provided in the BOQ CIP based. The BOQ includes OFC materials, transmission equipment, and project services.

The estimated costs for main equipment & materials and services are based on China industry of purchase, transportations and project implementations cost. Not accounted for in the cost schedules are:

- a) Customs taxes for imported goods and customs clearance fee.
- b) Taxes applicable to foreign contractor i.e withholding taxes, neither taxes applicable to local contractors i.e VAT, etc
- c) The expenses to be incurred for connecting to the EASSy OFC line

3.5.2 BOQ and Price Schedules

The Summary of project prices is provided in Table 3.5-1 below. The detailed BOQ schedules are given in Appendix B.

Table 3.5-1: Summary of BOQ

No.	Description	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
1	Optical Fiber Cable Installation	34,835,348.91	71,632,310.00	106,467,658.91
2	Transmission Equipment Installation	23,696,035.00	12,046,100.00	35,742,135.00
3	Power Supply System Installation	9,266,913.00	2,988,150.00	12,255,063.00
4	Civil Work And Others			15,067,000.00
5	Grand Total (USD)	67,798,296.91	86,666,560.00	169,531,856.91

3.6 Proposed Implementation Schedule

This project is proposed for implementation in two logical stages done simultaneously for the formation of fully functioning OFC backbone network. The total period for the whole project is 24 months from the confirmation of funding.

Logical Stage 1:

Stage One will involve construction of major sections of Northern, Central and Southern Routes. The details are shown in Table 3.6-1 and Table 3.6-2 below and Appendix A (4) at the end of the report.

Logical Stage 2:

Stage Two will involve closing the Southern and Western OFC rings and shall cover routes in Tables 3.6-3 & Table 3.6-4 and drawing No.5 of the Appendix A (5) in the end of the report.

Table 3.6-1: Routes Details for Logical Stage One

Northern Routes	DSM-HALE-TANGA-HOROHORO,TANGA-HALE-MOSHI-ARUSHA-NAMANGA,ARUSHA-BABATI-MUSOMA-SIRALI, MUSOMA-MWANZA-BIHALAMULO-BUKOBAB-MUTUKALA,BIHALAMULO-MURUGARAMA-RUSUMO, MURUGARAMA-KABANGA
Central Routes	DSM-MOROGORO-DODOMA-SINGIDA-SHINYANGA-MWANZA
Southern Routes	DODOMA-IRINGA-MBEYA-TUNDUMA,MBEYA-KASUMULO

Table 3.6-2: Implementation Schedule of Logical Stage One

Phase One Project (Months)				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Phase One	OFC Line	Km	3840	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█																
	Trans. Equip. & Power Supply	station	46	█	█	█	█	█	█	█																	
Detailed Survey & Design	Approval		Manufacture & Delivery				Factory check		Preparation		CONSTRUCTION				ACCEPTANCE												
█	█		█				█		█		█				█												

Table 3.6-3: OFC Routes in Logical Stage Two

Southern Routes	DSM-Lindi- Mtwara- Songea- Mbeya
S-Western Routes	Biharamulo - Kigoma - Tabora - Sumbawanga - TUNDUMA

Table 3.6-4: Implementation Schedule for Logical Stage Two

Phase Two (Months)				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Phase Two	OFC Line	Km	3157	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█															
				█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
	Equip. & Power	station	35	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█																
				█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█
Detailed Survey & Design	Approval	Manufacture & Delivery				Factory check		Preparation		CONSTRUCTION				ACCEPTANCE													
█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█

4 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

By considering the status of the existing national OFC networks and other required resources, the Steering Committee has determined that practical implementation of the National Backbone network is highly feasible. It is seen possible to achieve a fully fledged, bandwidth rich national OFC network in the country by consolidating some segments of the existing individual OFC networks belonging to the public institutions (TANESCO, TRC, TAZARA, and SONGAS) and bridging the gaps to form the unified National OFC backbone infrastructure. The national OFC backbone will be built on three main Optic Fibre Cable (OFC) rings namely, the Northern ring, the Western ring and the Southern ring.

In the initial design of the backbone network, use of the latest bandwidth-rich transmission technologies such as Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) and Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH) have been proposed in order to guarantee ubiquitous capacity, quality performance and unconstrained bandwidth for future use. This national OFC backbone would form a “Carrier of Carriers” network providing bandwidth capacity to all ICT service providers (fixed, mobile, voice, data, audio/ video broadcasting, multimedia) including the Public Services Telecommunications Network (PSTN) operators. The backbone network would support provision of Universal ICT Services Access to the whole country by various service providers, competitively, in technology neutral environment and providing various ICT services.

The total cost of the National ICT OFC backbone project is estimated at **US\$ 170m** of which US\$ 107m are required for the Optic Fibre Cable portion, US\$ 36m for provision of transmission equipment, US\$ 12m for power supply equipment and US\$ 15m for civil and other related works. The project can be implemented and completed within 24months period from funding confirmation.

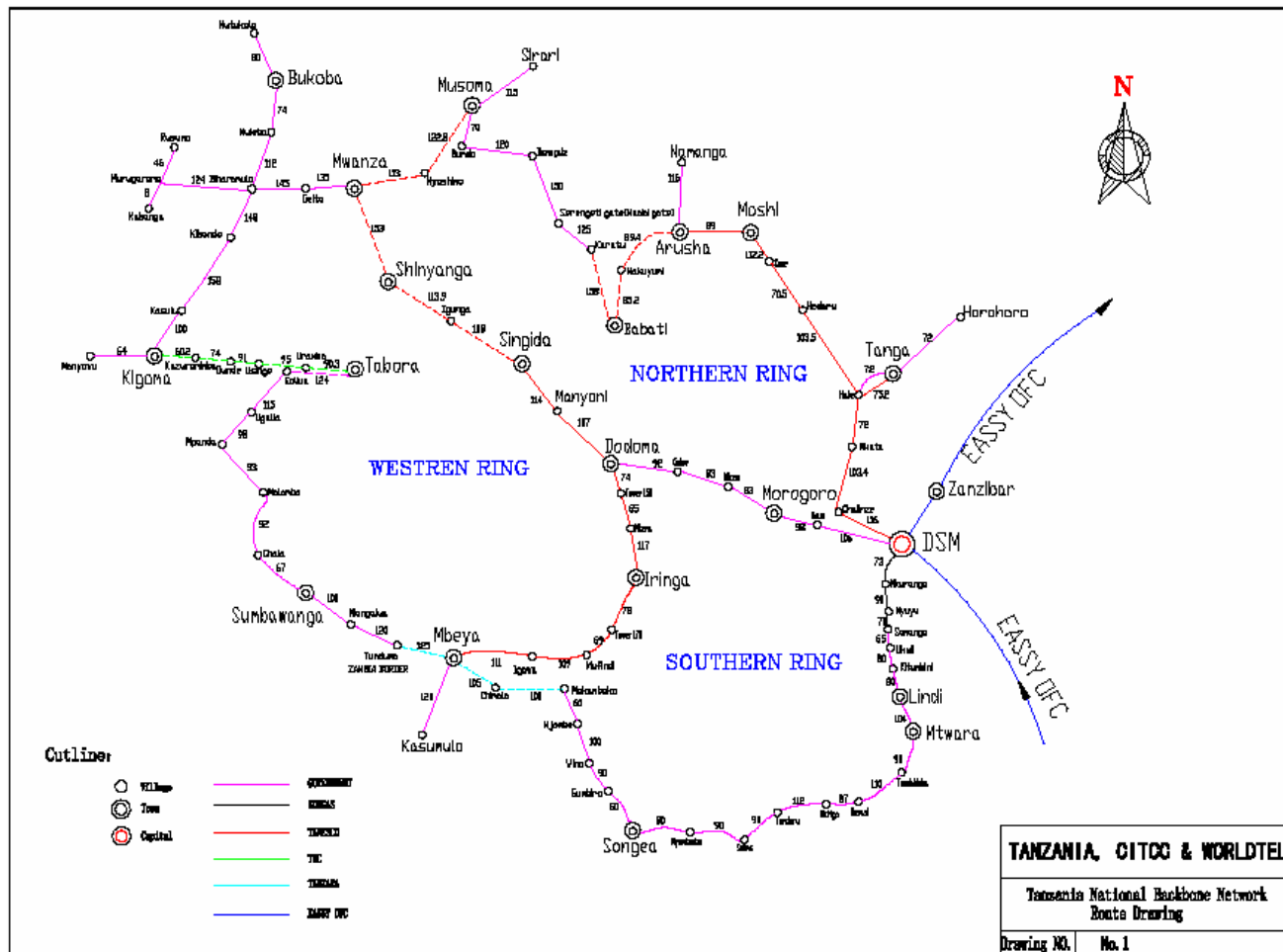
Based on these avails, Steering Committee have the following recommendations to the Government of Tanzania:

- (1) to consider and approve this report;
- (2) to facilitate availability of the necessary funds and other resources for immediate implementation of the National ICT Backbone Network; and
- (3) To determine and mandate sustainable institutional arrangements for management, operation and maintenance of the National OFC Backbone network.

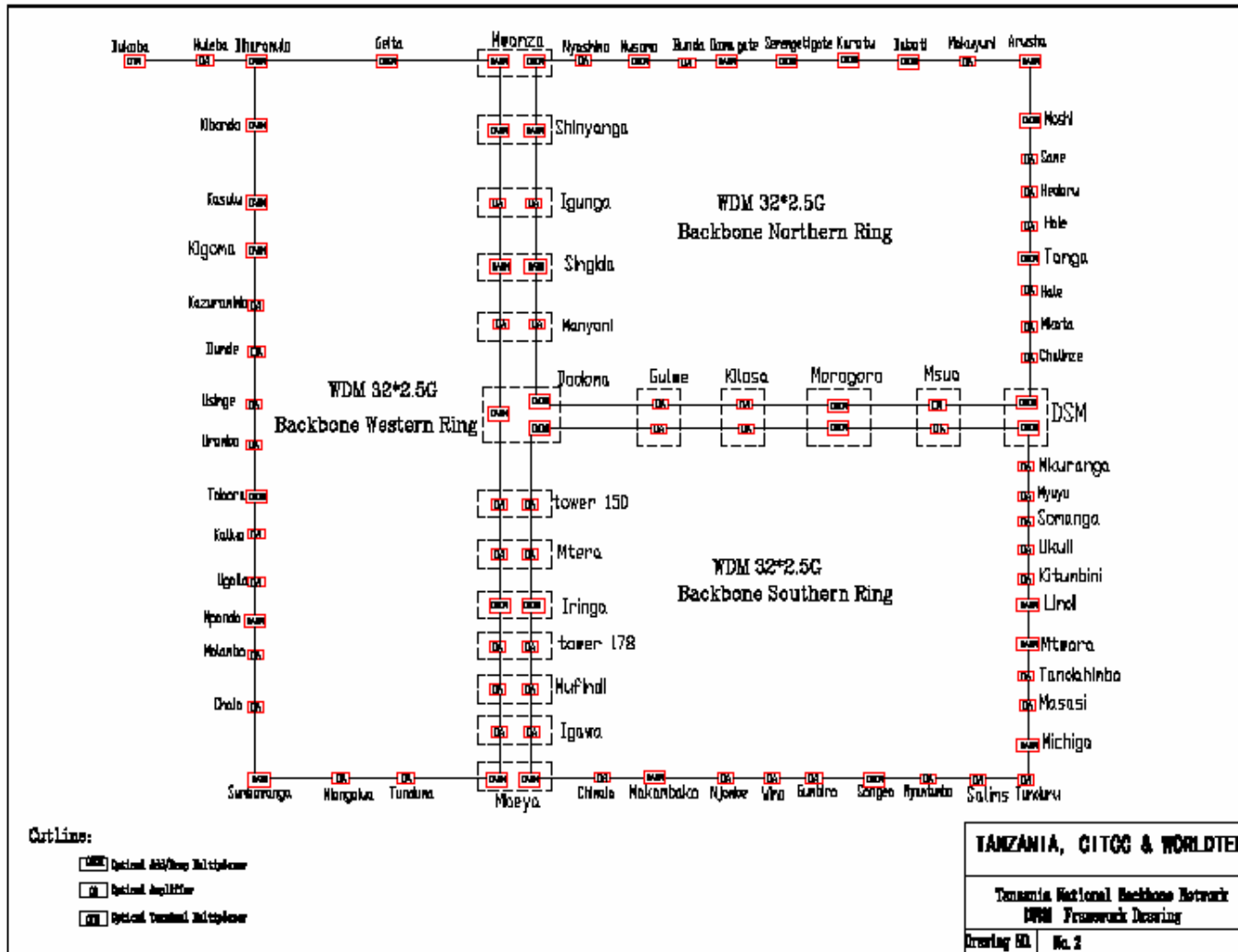
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Appendix A: Network Drawings:

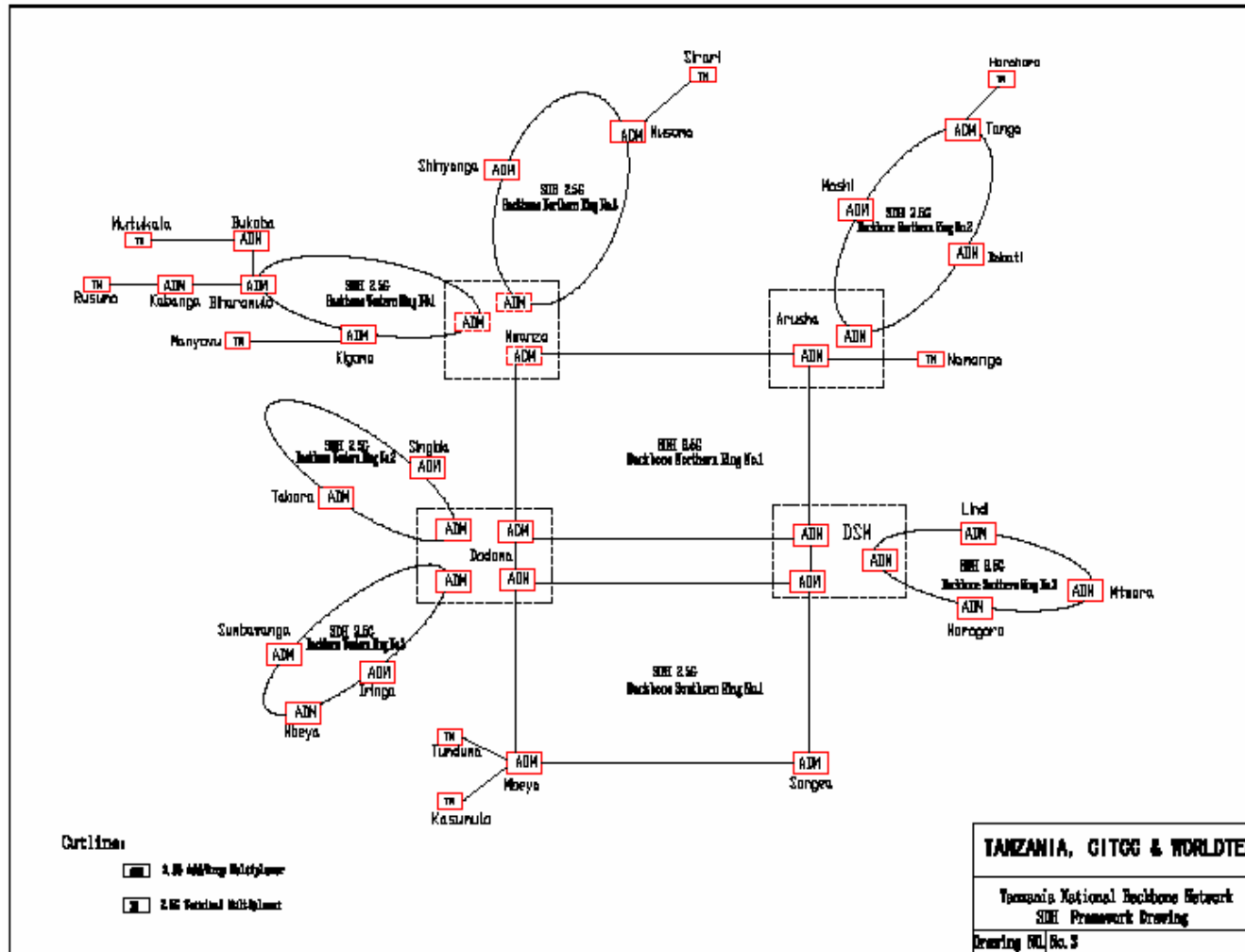
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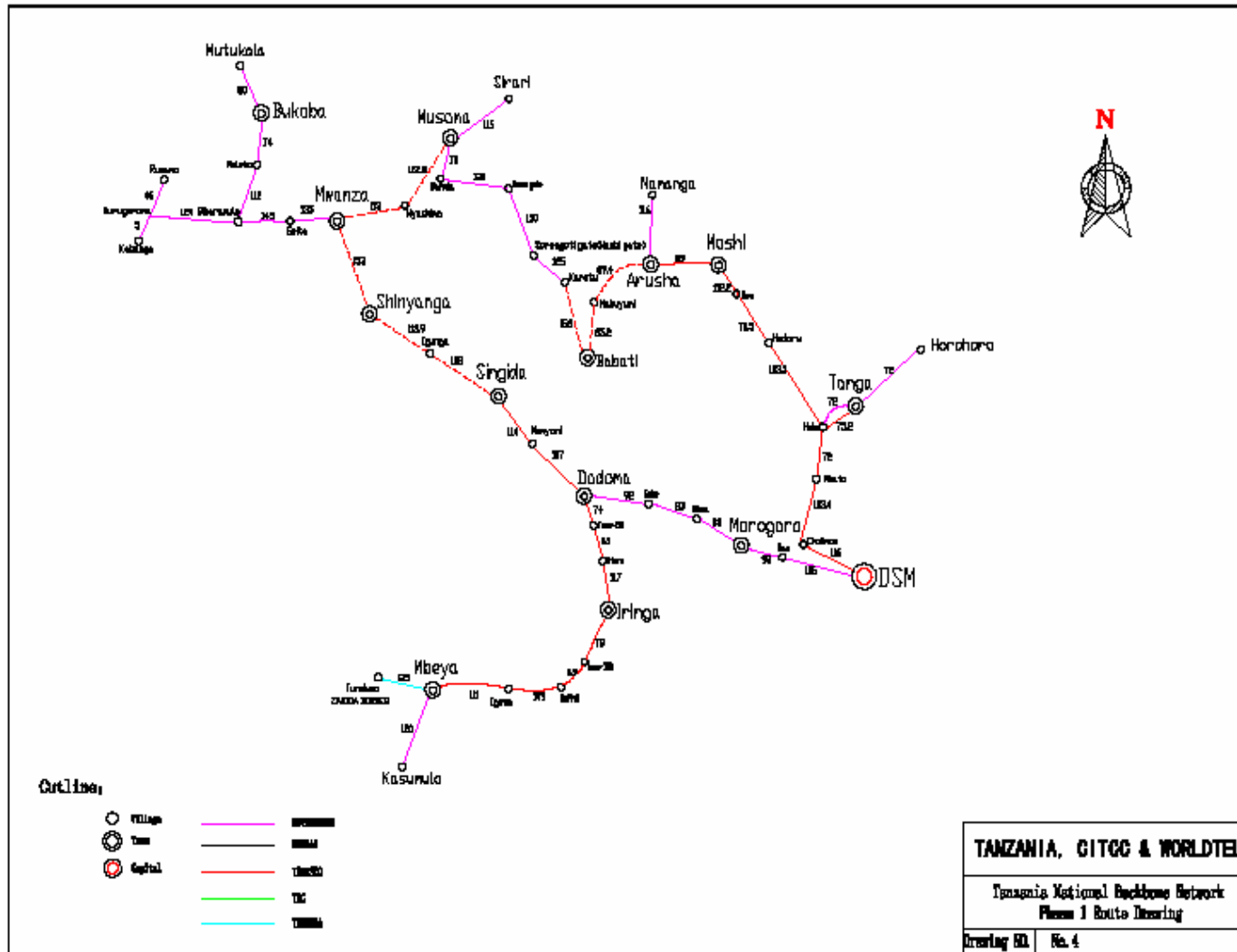
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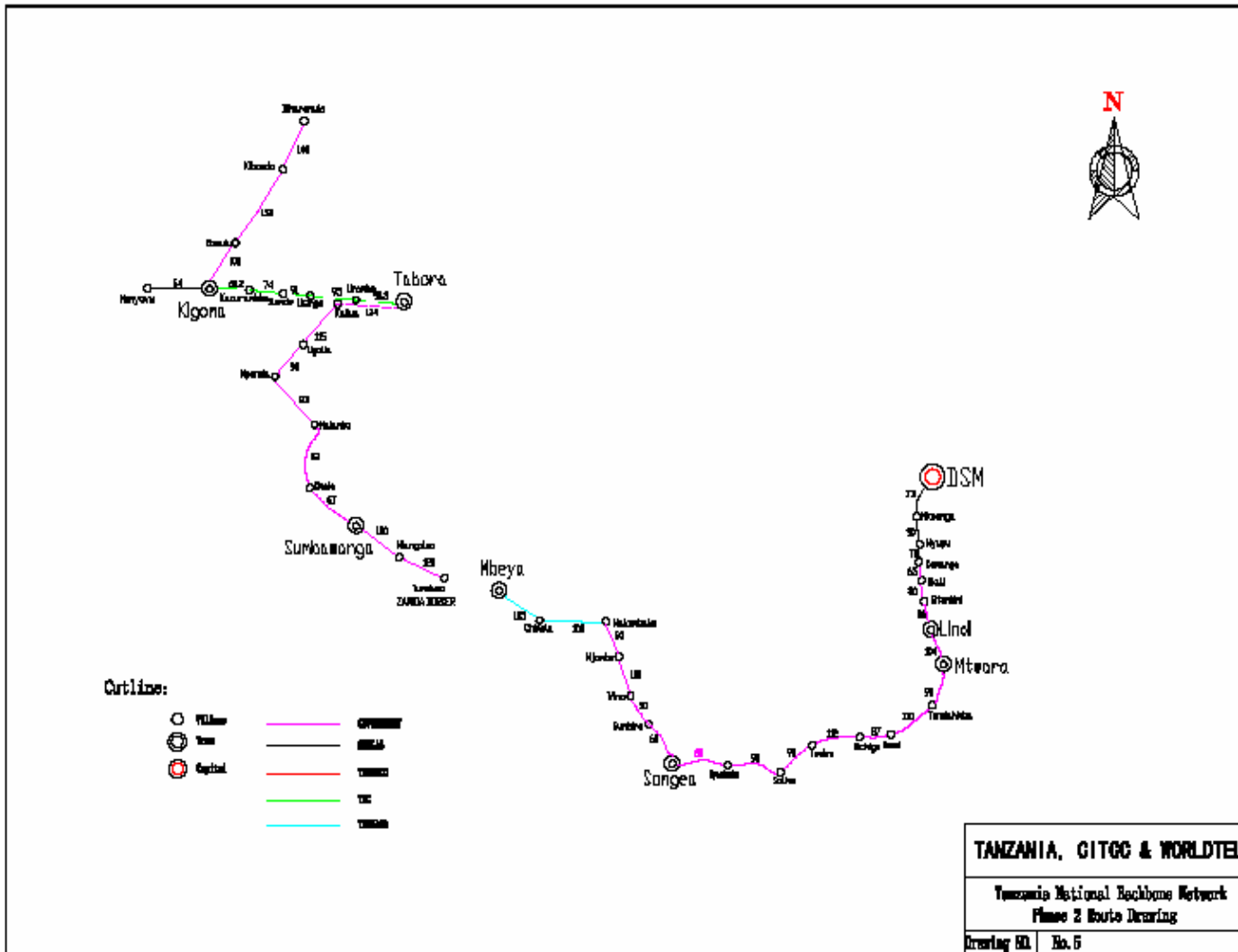
3. Drawing No.3 --- Tanzania National Backbone Network SDH Layer



4. Drawing No.4 --- Tanzania National Backbone Network - Stage 1 Implementation



5. Drawing No.5 --- Tanzania National Backbone Network - Stage 2 Implementation



Appendix B: Schedules of Bill of Quantities

**Summary of BOQ
OFC Network Project in Tanzania**

No.	Description	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
1	Optical Fiber Cable Installation	34,835,348.91	71,632,310.00	106,467,658.91
2	Transmission Equipment Installation	23,696,035.00	12,046,100.00	35,742,135.00
3	Power Supply System Installation	9,266,913.00	2,988,150.00	12,255,063.00
4	Civil Work And Others			15,067,000.00
5	Grand Total (USD)	67,798,296.91	86,666,560.00	169,531,856.91

Detailed Summary For OFC of BOQ

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
Optical Fiber Cable Project Newly Build								
1	HDPE(Φ 40/33mm) construction(2way)	km	160	16,400	2,624,000	14,800	2,368,000	4,992,000
2	Buried Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km	2,513	2,200	5,528,600	10,150	25,506,950	31,035,550
3	Buried Optical Fiber Cable(24)	km	849	1,969	1,671,681	9,950	8,447,550	10,119,231
4	Underwater Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km	5	15,000	75,000	20,000	100,000	175,000
5	Duct Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km	140	2,020	282,744	2,900	406,000	688,744
6	Duct Optical Fiber Cable(24D)	km	20	1,627	32,538	2,800	56,000	88,538
9	Jointing Closure(24D)	pcs	290	220	63,800	1,350	391,500	455,300
10	Jointing Closure(48D)	pcs	885	250	221,250	2,600	2,301,000	2,522,250
12	ODF	set	110	3,750	412,500	4,860	534,600	947,100
13	Protection Pipe and other Materials	km	3,362	600	2,017,200	180	605,160	2,622,360
14	Sub total 1 (USD)				12,929,313		40,716,760	53,646,073
15	Factory Inspection of OFC and Terminal Box	1 persons in 2	8	-	-	5,000	40,000	40,000

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
		weeks						
16	Training	1 persons in 3 weeks	20	-	-	6,000	120,000	120,000
17	OFC and Jointing Closure for maintenance (5%)	lot	1	414,406	414,406			414,406
18	Sub total 2 (USD)				414,406		160,000	574,406
19	Maintenance Instruments							
20	OTDR	set	8	23,000	184,000			184,000
21	Splicing Machine	set	8	18,000	144,000			144,000
22	Optical Phone	set	8	6,200	49,600			49,600
23	Optical Source and Optical Power Meter	set	8	9,000	72,000			72,000
24	Sub total 3 (USD)				449,600			449,600
25	Sub total 4 (Sub total 1 + 2 + 3) (USD)				13,793,319		40,876,760	54,670,079
Optical Fiber Cable Project Re-Build								
26	Buried Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km			4,488,000		20,706,000	

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
			2,040	2,200		10,150		25,194,000
27	Buried Optical Fiber Cable(24)	km	30	1,969	59,070	9,950	298,500	357,570
28	Duct Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km	98	2,020	197,921	2,900	284,200	482,121
29	Duct Optical Fiber Cable(24D)	km	16	1,627	26,030	2,800	44,800	70,830
30	ADSS or OPGW Optical Fiber Cable(48D)	km	1,292	10,230	13,217,160	4,400	5,684,800	18,901,960
31	Jointing Closure(24D)	pcs	15	220	3,300	1,350	20,250	23,550
32	Jointing Closure(48D)	pcs	1,150	250	287,500	2,600	2,990,000	3,277,500
33	ODF	set	40	3,750	150,000	4,860	194,400	344,400
34	Protection Pipe and other Materials	km	2,070	600	1,242,000	180	372,600	1,614,600
35	Sub total 5 (USD)				19,670,981		30,595,550	50,266,531
36	Factory Inspection of OFC and Terminal Box	1 persons in 2 weeks	8	-	-	5,000	40,000	40,000
37	Training	1 persons in 3 weeks	20	-	-	6,000	120,000	120,000
38	OFC and Jointing Closure for maintenance	lot	1	921,449	921,449			921,449

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
39	Sub total 6 (USD)				921, 449		160, 000	1, 081, 449
40	Maintenance Instruments							
41	OTDR	set	8	23, 000	184, 000			184, 000
42	Splicing Machine	set	8	18, 000	144, 000			144, 000
43	Optical Phone	set	8	6, 200	49, 600			49, 600
44	Optical Source and Optical Power Meter	set	8	9, 000	72, 000			72, 000
45	Sub total 7 (USD)				449, 600			449, 600
46	Sub total 8 (Sub total 5 + 6 + 7) (USD)				21, 042, 030		30, 755, 550	51, 797, 580
47	Grand total (USD)				34, 835, 349		71, 632, 310	106, 467, 659

Note1: The newly-built part of the OFC backbone includes parts which have not been planned by any operators, international links and HDPE duct lines in the urban areas.

Note 2: The rebuilt parts of the OFC backbone consist of planned lines (but no funding available) and leading-in lines (tie links).

Detailed Summary for Transmission Equipment of BOQ

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
	Optical Fibre Transmission Equipment With Accessories							
26	SDH 2.5Gb/s ADM	set	31	74,500	2,309,500	40,500	1,255,500	3,565,000
27	SDH 2.5Gb/s TM	set	8	65,600	524,800	35,700	285,600	810,400
28	DWDM OADM	set	38	328,000	12,464,000	192,300	7,307,400	19,771,400
29	DWDM OA	set	54	72,000	3,888,000	40,000	2,160,000	6,048,000
30	DWDM OTM	set	1	149,000	149,000	84,200	84,200	233,200
31	Element Management System (EMS)	set	2	60,300	120,600	34,100	68,200	188,800
32	Sub-network Management System (SNM)	set	2	96,400	192,800	54,500	109,000	301,800
33	Lcoal Craft Terminal(LCT)	station	20	14,500	290,000	8,200	164,000	454,000
34	DDF with Cable&Connectors	lot	73	3,550	259,150	1,400	102,200	361,350
35	Sub total 1 (USD)				20,197,850		11,536,100	31,733,950
36	Factory Inspection	1 persons in 2	6.00			5,000	30,000	30,000

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
		weeks						
37	Training	1 persons in 4 weeks	48.00			10,000	480,000	480,000
38	Spare Parts(Cost of Eq.x10%)	lot	1	2,019,785	2,019,785			2,019,785
39	Sub total 2 (USD)				2,019,785		510,000	2,529,785
40	Maintenance Instruments							
41	Multi-Wave Length Anylazer	set	2	50,000	100,000			100,000
42	Spectrum Anylazer	set	2	35,000	70,000			70,000
43	2.5Gb/s Anylazer	set	2	241,000	482,000			482,000
44	155Mb/s Anylazer	set	20	36,200	724,000			
45	Optical Power Meter	set	20	1,500	30,000			
46	2Mb/s Error Code Detector	set	20	3,620	72,400			
47	Sub total 3 (USD)				1,478,400			1,478,400
48	Grand total (Sub total 1 + 2 + 3) (USD)				23,696,035		12,046,100	35,742,135

Detailed Summary for Power Supply Equipment of BOQ

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
	Power Supply System Equipment							
1	1).Solar Power Station							
2	Rectifier	set	39	9,960	388,440	7,000	273,000	661,440
3	Batteries	group	78	11,000	858,000	5,500	429,000	1,287,000
4	Solar Battery & Controller	set	39	82,500	3,217,500	15,000	585,000	3,802,500
5	Generators	set	39	45,000	1,755,000	9,000	351,000	2,106,000
6	Power Supply System Distribution Panel	pcs	39	400	15,600	250	9,750	25,350
7	Surge Protection	pcs	39	1,500	58,500	500	19,500	78,000
8	Grounding System	station	39	2,500	97,500	3,500	136,500	234,000
9	Spare Parts	lot	1	22,929	22,929			22,929
10	2) .Commercial Power Station							
11	Rectifier	set	42	9,960	418,320	7,000	294,000	712,320
12	Batteries	group	84	11,000	924,000	5,500	462,000	1,386,000
13	Generators	set	22	45,000	990,000	9,000	198,000	1,188,000
14	Air Conditioner	set	22	3,800	83,600	800	17,600	101,200
15	Power Supply System Distribution Panel	pcs	42	400	16,800	250	10,500	27,300
16	Surge Protection	pcs	22	1,500	33,000	500	11,000	44,000
17	Grounding System	station	22	2,500	55,000	3,500	77,000	132,000
18	Spare Parts	lot	1	11,124	11,124			11,124
19	3). Power network management	set	2	15,000	30,000	12,000	24,000	54,000
20	4). installation materials	station	81	2,600	210,600	300	24,300	234,900
21	Sub total 1 (USD)				9,185,913		2,922,150	12,108,063

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Cost of Eq. & Materials (USD)	Unit Price of Service (USD)	Cost of Service (USD)	Sub total (USD)
22	Factory Inspection	1 persons in 1 week	4.00			4,000	16,000	16,000
23	Training	1 persons in 2 weeks	10.00			5,000	50,000	50,000
24	Sub total 2 (USD)						66,000	66,000
25	Maintenance Tools	station	81	1,000	81,000			81,000
26	Sub total 3 (USD)				81,000			81,000
27	Grand total (Sub total 1 + 2 + 3) (USD)				9,266,913		2,988,150	12,255,063

Detailed Summary for Civil Work and Others of BOQ

No.	Description	Unit	Qty.	Unit Price (USD)	Sub total (USD)
Civil Work and Others					
1	Newly Build For Equipment Room(Container)	station	34	25000.00	850,000.00
2	Rebuild For Equipment Room	station	73	1000.00	73,000.00
3	Compensation For OFC Project	km	6997	2000.00	13,994,000.00
4	The Connection Of Commercial Electricity And Transformer Installation	station	10	15000.00	150,000.00
Grand Total (USD)					15,067,000.00

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**Appendix G:
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Report on Status of the National ICT Backbone