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1. Background Information

- Tanzania's economy is growing at the rate of 7% and the power of modern technology is immense
 - The indiscriminate use of
 technology has altered the
 environment in ways that were
 unimaginable only a few decades ago



There is rapid growth of IT sector in the country which contributes to the pace of e-waste generated. (e.g. Percentage of households having a mobile phone doubled from 25 % in 2007 HBS to 57% in 2011/12 HBS)





1. Background Information

- Tanzania is a consumer and a destination of global flows of used EEE which became obsolete in a very short period of time and contribute to the rapid growth of e-waste stream
 - There is no effective monitoring, sound e-waste management and regulation in Tanzania
 - Increasing demand and use of e-products without sound e-waste management is a challenge as many electronic products contain both hazardous to human health as well as valuable materials
 - The presence of valuable recyclable components in ewaste attracts informal and unorganized sector which are unsafe and environmentally risky -- left piles of unattended end of use EEE both in streets and in office stores





- **1. Background Information - Institutional framework**
- The Environmental Management Act No. 20 of 2004 sets up the institutional framework for environmental management in the country
- The key institutions involved in the general waste management in Tanzania are the Vice Present's Office; Division of Environment and the Local Government Authorities
 - The Act also provides for the establishment of the National
 Environmental Advisory Committee (NEAC) which advises the
 Minister responsible for environmental and other sector ministries
 on matters related to environment degradation including waste
 management





- **1. Background Information - Legislation**
- Tanzania has no specific e-waste management legislation.
 - E-waste is managed through the **solid waste and hazardous regulations** prescribed under the Environmental Management Act (2004).
 - Part VIII of the Environmental Management (Hazardous Waste Control) regulations, 2009 of the Environmental Management Act (2004) addresses the issue of electrical and electronic waste.





- **1. Background Information - International Conventions**
- Tanzania is party to a number of international and regional Convention related to environmental management issues
 - The Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal and;
 - The Bamako Convention on Ban of the Import into Africa and Control of Trans boundary movement and Management of Hazardous wastes within Africa.





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics

- NBS is mandated to coordinate production and dissemination of Statistical Information within the NSS in Tanzania
- Compilation of Environment Statistics including solid waste is done in close collaboration with the NTWG
 - Members for NTWG were drawn from Government MDAs responsible for environment issues
- In addition, NBS has Regional Statistics Offices in all regions with Statisticians working close with the Regional Administrations and LGAs production of official statistics





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

- NBS received training and Technical Support from UNU to Strengthen compilation of e waste statistics in the country.
 - UNU developed **three main tools to support countries** in compilation of e-waste statistics:
 - **i.** The E-waste statistics Guidelines on classification, reporting and indicators 2015 **ii.** The EEE Put on Market Tool and
 - **iii.** The "UNU E-waste calculation tool" and







2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

<u>The E-waste</u> <u>statistics</u> <u>Guidelines</u>

 provides for a comprehensive
 Framework on e-waste statistics to compile ewaste statistics that are comparable between countries worldwide

The EEE Put on Market Tool

 help the user to prepare, adjust and convert the available country data on Put on Market (POM) of EEE prior to inserting it in the E-waste Generated Tool

UNU E-waste calculation tool

 is an integral part of the methodologies for the calculation of the weight of electrical and electronic equipment (EEE) placed on the market, imported, exported, collected and recycled





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

The UNU E-waste calculation tool is customised for each country in the world except for the countries in the European Union, that have developed their own E-waste calculation tools

The tool can be used in multiple ways:-

- Overwrite the pre-populated data of sales, lifespan and rerun the calculations with real country data
- Insert data on imports, exports of e-waste
- Insert data on collected and recycled amounts of e-waste
- Perform forecasts on e-waste generated



Training, coordination, implementation, and technical development & backstopping





- 2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics Support from UNU
- Tanzania Experience in using the Tool Data Collection
- Required data in the Calculations tool:-
 - **POM**
 - Import of WEEE
 - Export of WEEE
 - WEEE Collected and Recycled

The main data source used to calculate e-waste generated is from administrative data on importation of EEE (POM) from Tanzania Revenue Authority





- 2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics Support from UNU
- Tanzania Experience in using the Tool Classification
- Options to select different classifications:-
 - EU-6 classifications: 6 categories
 - EU-10 classifications: **10 categories**
 - UNU classifications: 54 categories
 - Once the user has entered into the tool the POM data for a year of reference, the tool can calculate the quantity of WEEE generated.
- Results can be exported to a separate excel file named **"Result.xlsx"** for further analysis





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Tanzania Experience in using the Tool – Challenges and Recommendations

- The parameters of the products lifespan *(Weibull distribution)* used in the tool are based on European Countries which **might not be the same in Tanzania for some EEE POM;**
 - Parameters for life span are based on new items while large proportion of EEE importation in Tanzania are second hand goods
 - The tool does not adjust the quality for new items; e.g. EEE goods from China in Tanzania are of low quality and have shorter life span than goods from other parts of the world
 - **Tanzanians' repair** their EEE good several times before they became waste which affects the life time
 - Need to conduct case study in the country to update the parameters





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Tanzania Experience in using the Tool – Challenges and Recommendations

- **There is no flexibility for National clustering of the EEE**; all of the country EEE should be mapped to either of the three predefined classifications.
 - Add flexibility to incorporate national clustering of the EEE
- Other General Challenges in e-waste compilation
 - Lack of reliable data for:-
 - Import of WEEE
 - Export of WEEE
 - WEEE Collected and Recycled





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Other General Challenges in e-waste compilation

- Illegal trade is not measured which may lead to underestimation of the real quantities of EEE POM
- Misreported shipments are not taken into account
- Quality of raw datasets POM:-
 - Require sector validation which is expensive
 - For some years was not easy to separate used and new EEE imported





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Tanzania Experience in using the Tool – Preliminary Key Findings EEE POM (EU-6) in Tonnes



Message:-

For the past 20 years; **Temperature exchange equipment dominated the importation of the EEE market (52.7%),** followed by Large equipment (excluding photovoltaic panels) (23.8%) and Small equipment (12.3%)





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Tanzania Experience in using the Tool – <mark>Preliminary Key Findings</mark> E-Waste Generate (EU-6) in Tonnes



Message:-

-Over the past 20 years There is **an increasing trend** of ewaste generation in the country with higher proportions in **Temperature exchange equipment** (50.3%), followed by Large equipment (excluding photovoltaic panels) (19.3%) and Small equipment (15.4%)





2. Compilation of e-waste Statistics – Support from UNU

Tanzania Experience in using the Tool – The Way Forward

- Design the e-waste module of questions to be appended to the household or establishment based surveys
- Identify other data sources such as **domestic production of EEE** and plan for data collection on e-waste collected, recycled and disposed
- Development of e-waste database
- Develop country specific life span for EEE
- Strengthen the mechanism of e-waste data flow within and outside the country
- Advocate for policy and low on e-waste management and
- Raise awareness on the impacts of e-waste on the environment and health







Thank you for your kind attention!