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**REPORT ON PROJECT VERIFICATION VISIT TO M/S LA GLOIRE DIEU TRADING
AND TRANSPORT LIMITED CONDUCTED ON 15TH JULY, 2022**

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1.0 PROJECT PROFILE

| Company Information | | | | | |
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| S/N | Item | Description | | | |
| 1. | Company Name | La Gloire Dieu Trading & Transport Limited | | | |
| 2. | Project Location | Plot No.2293 Mbagala, Temeke Municipality and Plot No. 101 Kisarawe II, Kigamboni Municipality, Dar es Salaam. | | | |
| 3. | Projects' Core Activities | To establish and operate a project for cargo transportation | | | |
| 4. | Address & Mobile Number | P. O. Box 6463, Dar es salaam. +255 769 153 515 Email address: 2015lgdtrading@gmail.com | | | |
| 5. | Contact Person | Johnson Odiero – Business Partner +255 713 496 564 Email address: odieroj@gmail.com..... | | | |
| 6. | Employment | | Local | Foreign | Total number |
| | | Men | 66 | 3 | 69 |
| | | Women | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 7. | Shareholder's Information | Name | | Nationality | % Ownership |
| | | Muloway K. John | | DRC | 50% |
| | | Muloway K.M. Jeanne | | DRC | 50% |

INTRODUCTION

2.1 History of the Company

La Gloire Dieu Trading & Transport Limited (LGDT) was established on 19th August 2015 under the companies Act, 2002 with Certificate of Incorporation No. 119536. The company registered a project with Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC) to establish and operate cargo transportation and was issued Certificate on Incentives (Col) No.071268 having implementation period of three years starting September 2015 ending August 2018. Later, in 2018 the investor applied for extension and amendment of Certificate which was granted thus, the Certificate was amended and extended up-to August 2019.

2.2 Geographical location

The project is located on plot Plot No. 101 Kisarawe II, Kigamboni Municipality, Dar es Salaam covering total area of 14040 square meters. It can be accessed via Kigamboni-Kibada road off to Msongola road where the project is about 3km from the junction.




3.0 PROJECT VERIFICATION VISIT (PVV)

3.1 PVV initiation

Implementation period for the Col granted to the Investor ended August 2019, thus, the investor launched an application for extension of the Col.

On 15th July, 2022 a team of three officers from TIC visited La Gloire Dieu Trading & Transport Limited at Plot No. 101 Kisarawe II, Kigamboni Municipality, Dar es Salaam.

This comprised the following

1. Leonard Manda : TIC-TRA 
2. Fidelis Obanga : TIC 
3. Navone Kisaka : TIC – NEMC 

The team was hosted by Mr. Johnson Odiero - Business Partner and Ms. Emilia Joseph - Human Resources Personnel both working with LGDT

3.1.1 Objective of the visit

The main objective of the project verification visit (PVV) was to verify the project development status which would justify the reasons for Col extension application.

3.1.2 Specific Objectives

Specifically, the team aimed to: -

- i. Interview and gather information from the applicant regarding reasons for Col extension
- ii. Take copies of relevant document /photos as evidence for Col extension
- iii. Physically visit the project site and verify progress of construction activities

Findings of the team will assist TIC management to make informed decision whether the company qualifies for extension of Col or not.

4.0 OBSERVATION AND FINDINGS

The team observed the following during PVV;

- i. The whole site where the project is implemented is fenced with blocks wall
- ii. Within the site there is one building of two storey (ground + 1) used for Administration offices
- iii. There is a car parking yard at the frontage of administration building where number of tanker trucks were parked
- iv. It was explained by representative of the company that some of these trucks are in good operational status while some require mega maintenance to be operational
- v. So far, the company has fleet of 40 trucks. This number excludes 3 trucks which are on importation clearance processes
- vi. From the previous approved list of items by TRA containing 70 trucks, the investor has utilized exemption of only 21 trucks

The plates below illustrate some the current situation at the site



Plate 1: Tanker trucks parked at the parking yard within the project site

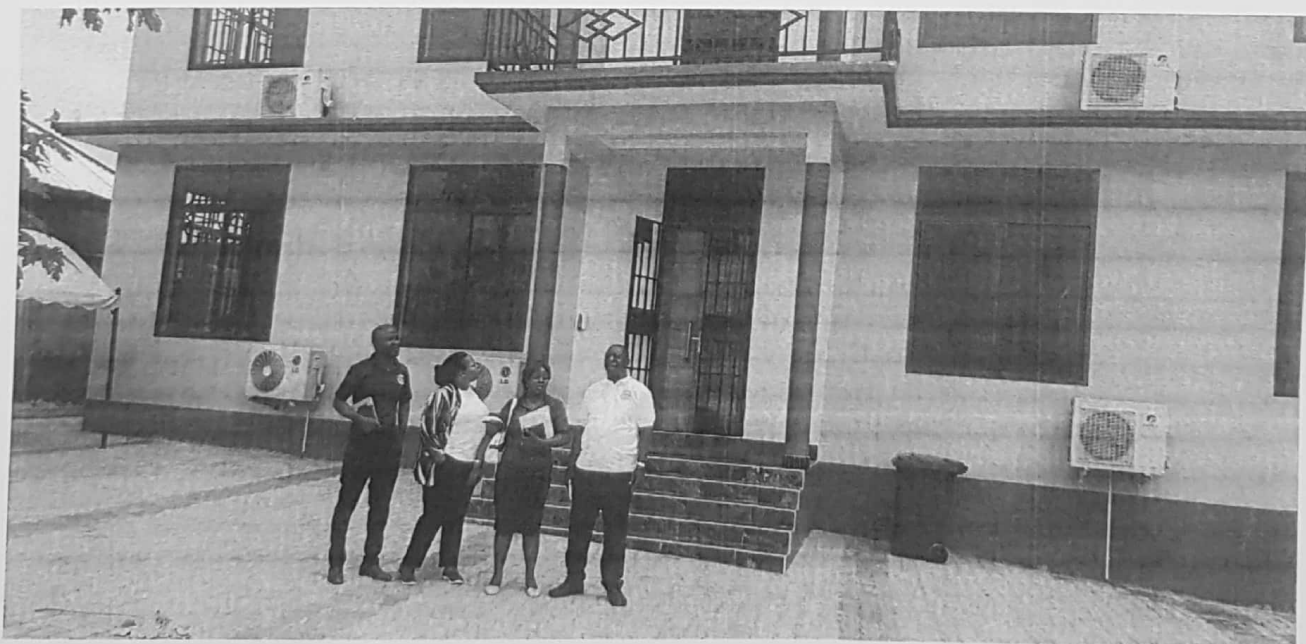


Plate 1: TIC officers at the frontage of administration building found at the project site

4.1 Major Challenges towards timely completion of the project

Discussion with Mr. Odiero revealed that Covid-19 effects had severely impacted the project development. Business slowed down because customers could no longer transport their cargos due to borders close down. The result to this, the company could not import expected number of fleets due to less demand in cargo transportation. Likewise, the smaller number of trucks ordered could not arrive on time due to the impact of Covid 19 to the manufacturers and suppliers. Currently, the business is picking up, the company has ordered three (3) trucks and more fleets are in plan to be purchased.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the findings observed during the project visit, the team recommends the followings: -

- i. COVID-19 Pandemic has impacted socio-economic situations of majority business cycles in the world to the extent that some of the projects were put hold while others slowed down due to the unforeseen pandemic. Currently, the investor is in position to resume and pick up thus requesting for the extension of Col so as to enjoy the exemption benefits;
- ii. The investor requested one extension before, therefore her request can be considered to pave way to accomplish project implementation plans;

6.0 CONCLUSION

Based on the facility visited, discussion with company representative, the reference documents presented and considering the findings of the visit including recommendations described above hence reasons and challenges provided by the investor for not completing the project timely can be considered logically. Therefore, the project can be considered for extension of Certificate of Incentives for one year.

We humbly submit,

1. Fidelis Obanga TIC Team Leader
2. Leonard Mapunda TIC TRA Member
3. Navone Kisaka TIC NEMC

