

TANZANIA INVESTMENT CENTRE
DAR ES SALAAM
PROGRESS REPORT

1. Planned Activities for the period
 - a) Land Acquisition for Commercial Tobacco Expansion: Procuring land suitable for large-scale commercial tobacco cultivation, ensuring sufficient acreage to meet production demands.
 - b) Land Preparation for Commercial Tobacco Expansion: Engaging in land clearing, leveling, and soil preparation on a commercial scale to optimize the growing conditions for tobacco crops.
 - c) Planting: Sowing of tobacco seeds or seedlings in well-prepared soil on a commercial scale to kickstart the growth process efficiently and effectively.
 - d) Weeding and Pest Control: Implementing large-scale weeding and pest control measures to safeguard the health and productivity of the commercial tobacco crop.
 - e) Irrigation: Establishing extensive irrigation systems to provide consistent and adequate water supply to the tobacco plants throughout their growth stages, particularly crucial during dry seasons in commercial settings.
 - f) Fertilization: Applying specialized fertilizers in significant quantities to enrich the soil and support robust plant growth in a commercially scaled tobacco operation.
 - g) Harvesting: Executing timely harvesting practices at a commercial level to gather mature tobacco leaves promptly for processing and distribution.
2. Achievements made on the project implementation to date:
 - a) Land Acquisition Success: Another notable achievement is that sufficient land has been secured for the project, ensuring a stable foundation for sustained commercial tobacco production growth.
Increased Production: The project has successfully boosted tobacco production levels by implementing advanced farming techniques and strategies tailored for commercial purposes.
 - b) Quality Enhancement: Farmers participating in the project have significantly improved the quality of their tobacco crops by adopting modern cultivation methods specifically designed to meet commercial standards.
 - c) Enhanced Market Access: As a result of the increased production and improved quality, farmers now enjoy expanded market access, creating better economic prospects and opportunities within the commercial tobacco industry.
 - d) Training Programs Impact: The training programs provided as part of the project have played a crucial role in equipping farmers with the necessary knowledge and skills to implement modern agricultural practices effectively, leading to heightened productivity levels in commercial tobacco farming.
 - e) Land Acquisition Success: Another notable achievement is that sufficient land has been secured for the project, ensuring a stable foundation for sustained commercial tobacco production growth.

3. Updated information

S/N	Information	Description	Current Project Status
1.	Shareholders information	Premium Tobacco Central Africa Limited (PTCA)- 90% share and Premium Tobacco Holdings-10% share	1.Georgios Panagiotis Klonaridis- 30%- Greek 2.Rudolph Prinsloo -30% - South Africa 3.Harry George Klonaridis – 30% - Belgium
2.	Company Communication Information	-Company Name -Email -Mobile number -Physical address	-Premium Active Tanzania Limited INFO@PREMIUMACTIVETZ.COM +255 787017769 -P.O Box 1900 Morogoro.
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4.	Incorporation	Certificate of incorporation No	65046
5.	TIN Information	TIN Certificate Number	106-804-370
6.	Project Objective	Project Core activity	Agriculture
7.	Capacity	Project Capacity per year	20,000 Tons per year
8.	Direct Employment	-Foreign Men -Foreign Women -Local Men -Local Women	-5 Foreign Men -0 Foreign Women -140 Local Men -40 Local Women

4. Project Financial Expenditure to date (USD)

	Foreign (USD)	Local (USD)	Total (USD)
Land and Buildings		100,000	100,000
Plant and Machinery		80,000	80,000
Vehicles/Aircrafts		40,000	40,000
Furniture		30,000	30,000
Office equipment		38,672	38,672
Insurance Cover			0
Pre-operational expenses		50,000	50,000
Working sub-total capital		70,000	70,000
GRAND TOTAL		408,671.88	408,671.88

5. Project Financing

	Amount (USD)	Source Country
Local Equity	300,000	Tanzania
Local Loans	108671.88	Tanzania
Foreign Equity	-	
Foreign Loans	-	
Total Investment	408671.88	

6 Problems and Solution

- a) Pest Infestation: Farmers have reported issues with pests damaging their crops. Implementing integrated pest management strategies can help address this issue.
- b) Financial constraints can significantly impact operations. Limited financial resources can hinder business growth, expansion, and innovation. It may restrict investment in research and development, limit marketing efforts, or impede the ability to scale operations efficiently.
- c) Climate Change Effects: Erratic weather patterns impact crop yields. Promoting climate-smart agricultural practices can help mitigate these effects.

7 Future Plans

- a) Scaling up Cultivation Areas: Encouraging large-scale commercial farming operations to meet the increasing demand for tobacco products.
- b) Research and Innovation Initiatives: Allocating resources towards advanced research and development programs aimed at enhancing seed varieties and implementing cutting-edge farming techniques to optimize yields.
- c) Value-Added Strategies: Implementing initiatives focused on enhancing value addition through state-of-the-art processing facilities, thereby boosting profitability and competitiveness within the commercial tobacco sector.

8 Recommendations

- a) **Internal Capacity Development:** Implement ongoing training programs for in-house agricultural staff to enhance their skills and knowledge on optimal farming techniques.
- b) **Market Expansion Strategies:** Explore new avenues within the existing market to broaden product reach and ensure market stability without relying on external sources.
- c) **Adoption of Sustainable Techniques:** Promote the integration of sustainable farming practices within the company's operations to uphold environmental conservation and secure long-term productivity.
- d) **Promoting sustainable development through Smallholder:** Smallholders, who typically cultivate plots of land up to a few hectares, often rely on family labor and traditional farming practices. By supporting smallholder expansion, we can help to reduce poverty, improve food security, and protect the environment.