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PRESS RELEASE

ON HIGHLIGHTS

OF THE REVISED GDP ESTIMATES FOR TANZANIA MAINLAND



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The National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) under the Ministry of Finance is pleased to release the revised estimates of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the base year 2007.

The revision was aimed at enhancing the quality of National Accounts estimates to better portray the economic activities in the country and ensure international comparability by using concepts, definition and method described in the United Nations System of National Accounts 1993 (SNA 1993) and partly 2008 SNA.

The 2007 revised estimates of GDP was done by national accounts staff of the National Bureau of Statistics with the guidance of Statistics Denmark and IMF- East Africa Technical Centre.

The 2007 revision is the fifth in the revision of GDP in Tanzania Mainland. Other revisions were for the years 1966, 1976, 1992 and 2001.

Highlights

The main findings, *Table No. 1*, are as follow:

- a) The revised GDP estimates is for the 2007 base year;
- b) International Standard Industry Classification (ISIC) Revision 4 was adopted. The 2001 base year series, was classified using ISIC Revision 3.1;
- c) The Supply and Use Tables (SUT) framework, recommended in the 1993 Systems of National Accounts was used. The SUT for Tanzania Mainland covered 251 products and 59 industries;
- d) The value, in absolute terms, of the revised GDP series was Shillings 26,770 billion for the year 2007 compared to Shs. 20,948 billion for the year 2007, old series;
- e) The level change between revised and old series has increased by 27.8 percent;
- f) Agriculture GDP level has increased by 26.2 percent between revised and old series;

- g) Highest change is observed in Other Social and Personal Services (223.7 percent) followed by Education (193.9 percent);
- h) For the year 2007, per capita GDP was Sh. 699,127/= for the revised GDP and Sh.547,081/= for the old series;

The revised GDP for the base year 2007 replaces the GDP series with the base year 2001 as **official estimates for the GDP** in Tanzania Mainland.

Table No. 1: Level Change by Activity between Revised and Old Series

Economic Activity	2007	2001	Change	Percentage
			between Revised and Old GDP	
	Sh. Million	Sh. Million	Sh. Million	Change
Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	6,756,585	5,413,257	1,343,328	24.8
Fishing	424,772	277,189	147,583	53.2
Mining and quarrying	935,412	742,932	192,480	25.9
Manufacturing	1,908,283	1,625,504	282,779	17.4
Electricity, gas	232,622	335,898	-103,276	-30.7
Water supply	219,511	84,982	134,529	158.3
Construction	2,117,074	1,641,741	475,333	29.0
Trade and repairs	2,740,461	2,416,506	323,955	13.4
Hotels and restaurants	481,997	559,722	-77,725	-13.9
Transport	1,600,183	886,844	713,339	80.4
Communications	481,416	487,132	-5,716	-1.2
Financial intermediation	756,075	345,000	411,075	119.2
Real estate and business services	2,737,640	1,982,107	755,533	38.1
Public administration	2,249,818	1,652,556	597,262	36.1
Education	851,208	289,617	561,591	193.9
Health	438,415	327,658	110,757	33.8
Other social and personal services	419,072	129,482	289,591	223.7
GVA before adjustment	25,350,544	19,198,127	6,152,417	32.0
FISIM	-401,656	-208,281	-193,375	92.8
Gross Value Added at basic prices	24,948,888	18,989,846	5,959,042	31.4
Taxes on products	1,821,544	1,958,559	-137,015	-7.0
GDP at market prices	26,770,432	20,948,405	5,822,027	27.8

Source: National Bureau of Statistics

The national launching will be convened on the second week of November, 2014, followed by Technical Meeting that will discuss technical aspects involved in the revision.