



UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

## NATIONAL IRRIGATION COMMISSION



### VISION AND MISSION

#### Vision

To be a sustainable and dynamic Irrigation Commission that is a driving force in transforming agriculture into a stable and competitive sector in the country.

#### Mission

Promotion of irrigation practices, development and management of irrigation and drainage infrastructure taking into account Integrated Water Resources Management to enhance water use efficiency for increased and sustainable agricultural production and productivity to ensure food security, poverty reduction and national economic development.

### MANDATE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION COMMISSION

The Commission is mandated for coordination, promotional and regulatory functions in the development of the irrigation sector.

Specific functions of the Commission are to:-

- a) Advise the government on implementation and review of the National Irrigation Policy, Strategy, National Irrigation Master Plan and related legislation;
- b) Represent the government in the national and international fora and collaborate with both local and international firms and organizations in all matters pertaining to irrigation development and management;
- c) Coordinate all interventions in irrigation sector conducted by the development partners and other stakeholders;
- d) Promote and maintain cooperation in irrigation and drainage with similar bodies in other countries and with international bodies connected with irrigation and drainage;
- e) Plan, carryout studies, design, construct, supervise and administer implementations of the irrigation projects; (Plates 1,2,3 &4)
- f) Establish and maintain irrigation construction equipment centres and provide hiring services to support private sector in the irrigation investment;
- g) Register and maintain a register of all irrigators;
- h) Promote institutional linkages training programmes and support the recruitment of persons for purposes of employment in connection with the irrigation sector;
- i) Act as a forum for information sharing pertaining to irrigation and drainage matters;
- j) Build capacity of the irrigators for effective participation at all levels in irrigation planning, implementation, operation and management;

- k) Undertake and coordinate research, disseminate appropriate technologies emanating from the research findings and provide technical support services on irrigation;
- l) Promote development of multipurpose water storage facilities for irrigation purposes and other social economic activities;
- m) Regulate all matters related to irrigation development and to oversee collaborations among different players in the development of irrigation and drainage;
- n) Coordinate all interventions in irrigation sector conducted by the development partners and other stakeholders;
- o) Approve construction of irrigation works, standards and guideline for development and management of irrigation and drainage;
- p) Promote efficient water use in irrigation systems and ensure compliance with the Integrated Water Resources Management approach in irrigation development;
- q) Approve standards and guidelines for the development and management of irrigation and drainage; and
- r) Perform any other functions which are necessary for effectively carrying out the purposes of the National Irrigation Act (2013).



Plate: Lining of the Main Canal in Gwanumpu Irrigation scheme on progress, Kakonko DC



Plate2: Main Canal in Mvumi Irrigation Scheme, Kilosa DC

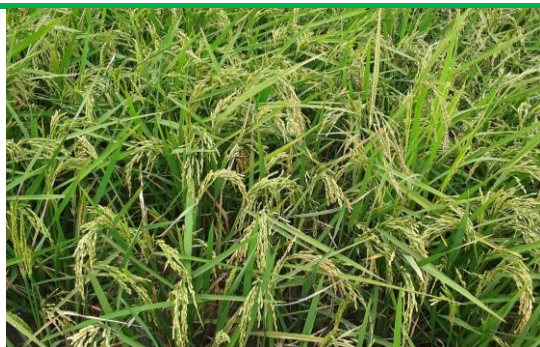


Plate3: Paddy in Dakawa Irrigation scheme, Mvomero DC



Plate4: Tomato Field in Lipuli Irrigation Scheme, Iringa DC

