

## **KIBAHA DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME NOTE

On behalf of Kibaha District Council (KDC) and all our local economic development partners, I want to wish everybody a happy new year and may it be a prosperous 2019. I would also like to express thanks for your business interest in investing in our amazing Council that is abound with opportunities. We proudly consider Kibaha District Council the heartbeat of Coast region. Thefifth phase Government under the leadership of his Excellency the President John Pombe Magufuli is implementing massive infrastructure development projects that are underway in the country from reviving Air Tanzania, Stieglers Gorge hydroelectric power generation for reliable cheap electricity, Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) project which aims to improve efficiency at the Dar es salaam port and to link the country to the neighbouring countries of Rwanda and Uganda, and through these two, to Burundi and Democratic Republic of Congo.

Kibaha District Council is located at the very heart of the Coast region and is just 70 km from Dar es Salaam city. We have not been left behind in the implementation of the countries mega projects. In Pwani region the SGR passes through only 3 Councils namely Kibaba District Council, Chalinze and Kisarawe. The first phase of the SGR connecting the Dar es Salaam port with Morogoro has already commenced. The SGR is expected to carry passengers and cargo up to 35 tonnes and transport 17 million tonnes of freight per year at a speed of up to 160 kilometres per hour. The railway will also improve the movement of people and cargo to the neighbouring countries of Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo, stimulating regional trade and will generate 600,000 direct employments. The council is prepared to take advantage of this opportunity. Kibaha District Council is the only Council in Pwani region that has three SGR stations built at Soga, Ruvu and Kwala wards. Construction of the three stations has already commenced. Kwala railway station will play the significant role of being the point of consolidation for cargo coming in from Dar es Salaam port and cargo going out to other parts of the country and neighbouring countries by rail or road. Another huge project being implemented in Kibaha District Council is the on-going construction of Kwala dry port. This is expected to ease congestion at the Dar es Salaam port and serve as the main point for collection and distribution of cargo coming into and out of Dar es Salaam to other destinations in the country and neighbouring countries.

The Council therefore represents a unique location opportunity for investment in heavy and light industries, commercial/ residential buildings, recreation facilities, logistics and distribution companies seeking to access high-value markets in Tanzania and neighbouring countries. This location advantage is combined with over 8,000 acres of land already set aside for investment opportunities in Soga, Kikongo, Kisabi and Frelimo areas.

Our road and rail connections put you at the heart of one of the most dynamic council in Tanzania. The construction of the eight lane highway from Dar es salaam to Kibaha will get rid of the traffic congestion on this route and allow for one to commute to Dar es salaam in half an hour by road and even less time on the SGR. Kibaha District Council offers local and global business opportunities to operate in our Council without the stress and cost of being located in the business capital of Dar es Salaam.

The Council's optimal location, at the periphery of Dar es salaams port, provides businesses with unrivalled access to the Tanzania national market and neighbouring countries(via the Kwala dry port).

Apart from the on-going big projects taking place in our council, we are excited to have one of the largest abattoir and meat processing facility in East and Central Africa set up in the Council. There is therefore an investment opportunity in the cattle fattening business and we call upon all those interested to look into this rewarding business opportunity to visit our offices. Other potential business opportunities lie in setting up cashew nut processing plant.

Following Kibaha District Councils strategic business advantages weaimto accelerate the commercial aspirations of the Council by seeking investors or a partner or partners through a joint venture or similar model to improve efficiency and practices, thereby, generating cash savings; delivering capacity that can be sold; and identifying and progressing investment opportunities. We will help our investors navigate government processes and identify applicable economic development resources. If any business investment opportunity assistance is required, we encourage you to contact the District Executive Director's office. We look forward to assisting you. Thank you for your business interest and welcome to Kibaha District Council.

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