Project Information Document (PID)

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BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Project Beneficiary(ies)	Operation ID	Operation Name	
Tanzania	P500588	Zanzibar Judicial Modernization Project (Zi-JUMP)	
Region EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA	Estimated Appraisal Date 04-Mar-2024	Estimated Approval Date 30-Apr-2024	Practice Area (Lead) Governance
Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing (IPF)	Borrower(s) Ministry of Finance	Implementing Agency The Judiciary of Zanzibar (JoZ)	

Proposed Development Objective(s)

To enhance the accessibility, efficiency, and transparency of selected judicial services, in Zanzibar

PROJECT FINANCING DATA (US\$, Millions)

Maximizing Finance for Development

Is this an MFD-Enabling Project (MFD-EP)? No

Is this project Private Capital Enabling (PCE)? No

SUMMARY

Total Operation Cost	30.00
Total Financing	30.00
of which IBRD/IDA	30.00
Financing Gap	0.00

DETAILS

World Bank Group Financing

International Development Association (IDA)	30.00
IDA Credit	30.00

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Environmental and Social Risk Classification

Concept Review Decision

Moderate

The review did authorize the preparation to continue

Other Decision (as needed)

B. Introduction and Context

Country Context

The Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar (RGoZ) is strongly committed to the pursuit of sustainable economic and social development through economic transformation as envisioned in the Zanzibar Development Vision (ZDV) 2050. Implementation of the ZDV 2050 has been facilitated by a sequence of five-year-term Zanzibar Development Plans (ZADEP) with the current plan (2021-2026) focusing on the Blue Economy for Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Development. The RGoZ also recognizes the role of good governance, including the judiciary, to enable inclusive growth and social wellbeing. The ZDV 2050 builds on the Zanzibar Good Governance Policy 2011 which highlights the critical role the judiciary plays in protecting citizens' rights and freedoms and supporting private sector development and inclusive growth. Accountable and effective justice institutions and efficient procedures create the enabling environment for increased private sector investment and allow citizens and businesses to unlock their economic potential.¹

Sectoral and Institutional Context

Since independence in 1964 the judiciary of Zanzibar has been undergoing several transition periods and large-scale reforms. The first post-revolution reform wave saw additional structures, such as the High Court and Supreme Council added to the judicial landscape with the intention to overhaul the judicial administration in line with the objectives of the 1964 revolution. The second post-revolution reform wave took place in the 1980s and helped to clarify the sector's institutional set-up and governance. The third post-revolution reform wave took place in the 1990s and focused on substantive and procedural laws, such as civil procedure code, criminal procedure code, establishment of the Zanzibar Office of Director of Public Prosecution (DPP) and the establishment of the Zanzibar Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Authority (ZAECA).

Despite reforms and improvements, there are still fundamental challenges in Zanzibar's judiciary that not only prevents them from contributing to the attainment of Zanzibar Vision 2050 but also contributes to risks of failure in other areas, such as facilitating an enabling environment for private sector growth and responding to socio-economic needs. The judiciary's own needs assessment (2022) confirms an inadequate strategic alignment with Zanzibar's investment and economic development aspirations, inefficiencies in case administration and clearance, inadequate court infrastructure and facilities, low adoption of technology in court administration and judicial services delivery, inadequate performance management system, and limited essential skills especially in commercial and corporate dispute settlement.

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¹ https://www.worldbank.org/en/topic/governance/brief/justice-and-rule-of-law

Relationship to CPF

The proposed operation is aligned with the World Bank's Country Partnership Framework (CPF) for Tanzania for fiscal years (FY) 2018-22. The CPF, currently being updated, aims to support the United Republic of Tanzania's (URT) efforts towards reinforcing pathways to foster inclusive and sustainable job-creating growth and poverty reduction and recognizes that "strengthening capacity of government institutions for better service delivery and public investments" is a development priority. The proposed lending operation is consistent with the CPF by seeking to modernize the judicial services delivery through improved infrastructure, information management systems, performance management systems, governance frameworks, and skills development for improved delivery of judicial services.

C. Proposed Development Objective(s)

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Key Results (From PCN)

D. Concept Description

The key PDO results would be measured by:

- % of the population served by modern court infrastructure, disaggregated by gender
- % increase in case disposal rate (cases filed across all court levels) over baseline
- % increase in court user satisfaction over baseline survey (access, efficiency, quality, transparency/integrity)
- % increase of High Court decisions published over baseline

Legal Operational Policies	Triggered?
Projects on International Waterways OP 7.50	TBD
Projects in Disputed Area OP 7.60	TBD
Summary of Screening of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts	

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Note: To view the Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts, refer to the Concept Stage ESRS Document. *Delete this note when finalizing the document.*

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