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M/S H.Young & Company (E.A) signed construction contract to upgrading five Pemba Rural Roads to bitumen standards

On 18th August 2011, The Millennium Challenge Account-Tanzania (MCA-T), an Accountable Entity responsible for the management of the implementation of projects funded by the Government of United States of America through the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), signed a Tshs 38, 247,730,180.00 contract with M/S H.Young & Company (E.A) Ltd to upgrade five North Pemba Rural Roads (with a total of 35km) to bitumen standard for a duration of 18 months.

The five rural roads which will be upgraded include :- (i) Mzambarauni -Takao-Pandani- Finya Road (7.9km); (ii) Mzambarauni-Karimu - Mapofu Road (8.7km); (iii) Bahanasa - Daya - Mtambwe Road (13.8km); (iv) Chwale - Kojani Road (1.9 km) and (v) Kipangani - Kangagani road (2.7km).

Speaking shortly after signing contract, MCA-T Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Bernard Mchomvu congratulated the contractor for winning the tender through competitive procurement process. “We are very confident that you will deliver a high quality work, timely and as per allocated budget” said Mr. Mchomvu.

He also informed the audience that all preliminary assignments has been accomplished successful, this includes payment of 3.9 billion Tanzania shillings compensation to about 1,728 project affected persons (PAPs) for resettlement purposes. All needed supervisory machinery is in place, which includes Ministry of Communication and Transport of the Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar as the MCA-T implementing entity as well as M/s LEA Associates Consultancy, a works supervising consultancy firm to give the supervision on site.

On the side of M/s **H.Young & Co. Ltd**, Mr Joseph Schwartzman the Chief Executive Officer said, “We are pleased to be awarded this contract to work with MCA-T. We assure you that we will complete the assignment on time and deliver excellent quality of work. We also promise to cooperate with employer, engineers and all other clients while performing this work”

Upgrading of these roads will provide benefit to residents of North Pemba by improving access to markets, increase household income, creating linkages among villages, and attract more tourists and facilitating access to schools and health centers that are currently limited.

Transport sector projects funded under the five-year, Millennium Challenge Compact signed by Presidents Bush and Kikwete in February 2008 intend to stimulate economic activities, including agricultural production, improve access of the people to basic social services and also will enhance the exploitation of tourist potentials in project areas. Other components of the Millennium Challenge Compact include significant assistance in the energy and water sectors.



Mr Bernard Mchomvu (1st L) and Mr Joseph Schwartzman (1st R) signing the contract while being witnessed by Hon. Alfonso Lenhardt (3rd R), US Ambassador to Tanzania; Hon. Hamad Masoud Hamad (3th L), Minister for Infrastructure and Communications of Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar; Mr. Karl Fichenscher (1st L); MCC Resident Country Director; Mr. Khamis M. Omar (2nd L), Principal Secretary, Office of the President for Finance, Economic Affairs and Development Plans, Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar; Mr. Omar Khamis Othman (2nd R), Wete District Commissioner on behalf of Wete Regional Commissioner and Mr. Antony Kimani (1st R) from H.Young & Co (E.A) Ltd

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