



# ZICTA

## Public Notice

# Revision of the 5G Spectrum Roadmap

**The Zambia Information and Communications Technology Authority** (the Authority) wishes to advise the general public that it has revised the 5G Spectrum Roadmap for release of spectrum in the 700 MHz and 2600 MHz band due to the high-demand for the spectrum.

The Authority has revised the Roadmap for the release of high demand spectrum as follows:

- a) Spectrum in the 700 MHz band (703-733 MHz paired with 758-788 MHz) that was scheduled to be released in the first quarter of 2023 will be issued in the third quarter of 2022; and
- b) The remaining lot of 40 MHz of spectrum in the 2600 MHz band (2550 to 2590 MHz) will be released in the third quarter of 2022.

The assignment of spectrum in the 700 MHz and 2600 MHz bands will be done in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner in accordance with Section 54(3)(b) of the Information and Communication Technologies Act of 2009.

The Authority further wishes to notify members of the public that Spectrum in the 26 GHz band will be open for assignment on a first-come, first-serve basis in the fourth quarter of 2022.

These critical changes to the Roadmap are part of the urgent measures to improve competition in the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) sector, promote investment and accelerate the extensive provision of services in underserved and unserved areas as well as improve the quality of electronic communication services for consumers in the country.

Following the outlined changes, the revised roadmap for the release of spectrum has been updated as follows:

No.	Spectrum Band	Frequency Range	Assignable Bandwidth	Timeline
1	700 MHz	703-733 MHz/758-788 MHz	60 MHz	Q3 2022
2	2600 MHz	2550-2590	40 MHz	Q3 2022
3	26 GHz	24.3-27.5 GHz	3.2 GHz	Q4 2022
4	3300 MHz Band	3300-3400 MHz	100 MHz	Q4 2023
5	C-Band	3480-3600 MHz	120 MHz	2024

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