



5th Mini-grids Action Learning Event Reaching Universal Energy Access in Ghana

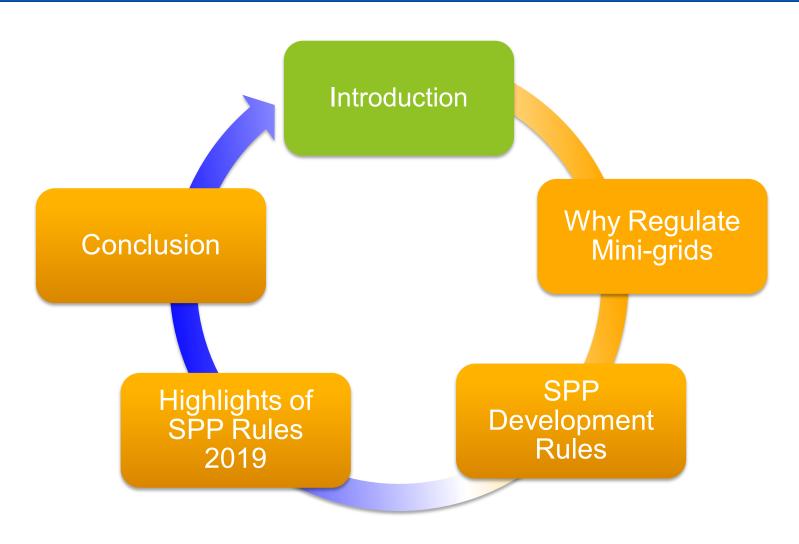
SMALL POWER PROJECTS FRAMEWORK IN TANZANIA

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OUTLINE





Players in Rural Electrification



MINISTRY OF ENERGY – Policies, Strategies, Master Plans

EWURA

Technical and Economic Regulation

- Licensing (Technical and safety Standards, Environment)
- Tariffs (Wholesale + Retail)
- Quality of Service and Supply Standards

Rural Energy Agency

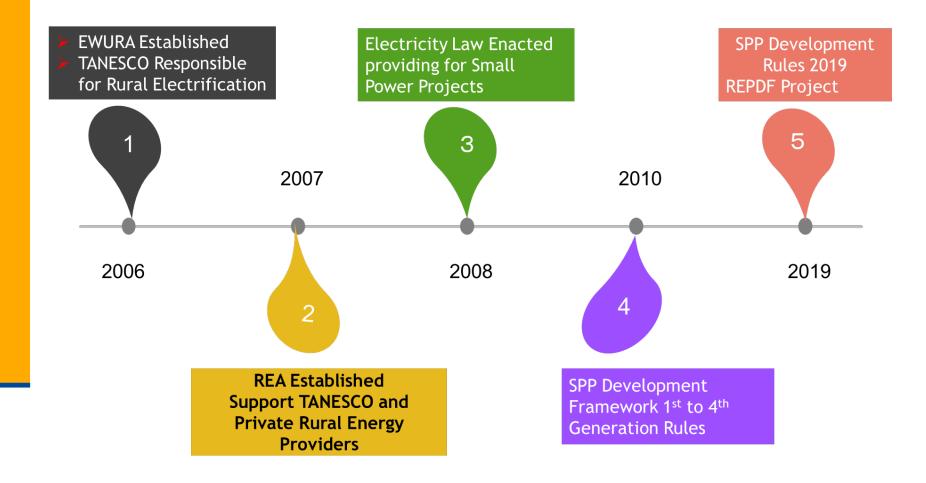
- Promotion of Modern Rural Energy Access (Capacity Building)
- Organize Financial Resources
 - Rural Energy Fund
- ◆ Technical Support

TANESCO

- Main + Isolated Grid Expansion (REA)
- Whole sale buyer
- Integrating Mini-grids (Developed by Private)

Evolution of the Mini Grids Framework





Why Regulate Mini-grids



Protect Consumers

- Potential abuse of monopoly
 - Price gouging,
 - low standard of technical and safety,
 - and poor service quality

Protect Mini Grid owners

- Incentivize and Protect Investors
 - Remove barrier to Entry
 - Regulate tariffs to cost recovery
 - Reduce risk of main grid arrival

The Electricity (Development of SPP) Rules 2019



Published in the Govt Gazette on 21st June 2019 with GN. 462/2019 and Standardized Small Power Projects Tariff Order with GN. 464/2019

- Promotion of indigenous renewable energy sources
- Light-handed regulation principles
 - Simplified reporting
 - Simplified licensing and permitting procedures
 - Standardized Documentation (SPPA/SPPT Methodology)
- Cost reflective Tariffs
 - Avoided cost of DNO (TANESCO)
 - Technology specific tariffs
- Must take for eligible RE/hybrid
- Long term (20-25 years)

Arrival of Main Grid



Upon arrival of the main grid, a mini-grid operator can apply to operate as:

- SPP selling electricity to Main Grid: *Mini grid distribution* assets can be taken-over by DNO, and compensated provided meets criteria
- SPD buying electricity from Main Grid and selling to retail customers
- Amend Licence or Permit accordingly
- Sign an SPPA and apply appropriate Tariff
- Meet Interconnection requirements

Compensation of Assets



based on:

- If Mini grid built to TBS Standards
- Licensed or registered
- Interconnection takes place within 2 to 15 years;
- Provided Letter of Support from Government

Note: Grant portion for distribution assets, deducted during compensation

Tariffs for SPP, SPD and VSPPs

- Cost recovery / subsidies, technology specific
- Avoided Costs Tariffs looking with Seasonal Variation
- Retail Tariffs assumptions in the model approved



FIRST SCHEDULE

Approved Tariffs for SPPs Selling Electricity to the Grid

	Capacity	Minihydro	Wind	Solar	Biomass	Bagasse
		USc/kWh	USc/kWh	USc/kWh	USc/kWh	USc/kWh
	0.1 - 0.5MW	10.65	10.82	10.54	10.15	9.71
	0.51 - 1 MW	9.90	9.95	9.84	9.34	9.09
	1.01 - 5MW	8.95	9.42	9.24	8.64	8.56
	5.01 - 10MW	7.83	8.88	8.34	7.60	7.55

SECOND SCHEDULE

Tariffs for Main Grid Connection under the First Generation SPP Framework

Description		2018 Tariff (TZS/kWh)	Approved Tariff effective 1 st May 2019 (TZS/kWh)	Percentage Change
Standardized Small Power Purchase Tariff		203.11	203.11	0%
Seasonally adjusted Standardized SPPT Payable in	Dry season	243.73	243.73	0%
	Wet season	182.80	182.80	0%

For VSPPs, we have developed the tariff model:

Taking into account some assumptions including:

- Installed capacity
- Cost of debt
- Return on equity
- Capacity factor
- ❖ OPEX

Conclusion



- A Regulator has to balance interests of investors and consumers
- Good SPP regulatory framework promotes private sector investments
- Well designed Mini grids increase the rate of access and allows diversification of resources to various sectors
- Utility can improve grid extensions to consumers but SPPs supply electricity to the consumers farthest from grids and offgrids
- Light handed regulation with suitable subsidies can make Offgrids sustainable







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