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AMENDMENTS TO 2018 UNIVERSAL ACCESS SERVICE PROJECTS

I, Honourable Samuel H Basil, MP, Minister for Information Communication Technology and Energy, by virtue of powers conferred pursuant to **Section 108** of the **National Information and Communication Technology Act 2009**, having considered the 2018 UAS projects submission, hereby approve the projects with amendments as set out below:

2. PROJECT 1: MOBILE BROADBAND NETWORK UPGRADE AND EXPANSION

2.3 Specific Projects

3G Update Projects: Approximately 4-5 LLGs within 2-4 Districts for each projects selected from one or more of the following geographic locations in descending order of priority:

1. Bougainville
2. Hela Province
3. Madang Province
4. Manue Province
5. Eastern Highlands (Lufa to be added on)

New 3G upgrade projects geographical location as amended:

1. Bougainville
2. Hela Province
3. Madang Province
4. Manue Province
5. Eastern Highlands (Lufa to be added on)

New 3G Service Projects: Approximately 2-3 LLGs within 1-2 Districts for each projects selected from one or more of the following geographic locations in descending order of priority:

- ~~1. Gulf Province~~ (to be replaced by Central Province)
2. Manus Province
3. West Sepik Province
- ~~4. East Sepik Province~~ (to be replaced by Madang Province)
5. West New Britain Province

New 3G Service Projects geographical locations as amended:

1. Central Province
Goilala: Woitape and Kafano;
Rigo: Mt Brown and Hood Point Peninsula)
2. Manus Province
3. West Sepik Province
4. Madang Province
Rai Coast: Saranga & Saidor Station
Sumkar: BagBag Island & Ngor Village, Karkar
5. West New Britain Province
6. Northern (Oro) Province
Sohe: Asimba, Kokoda sub-district &
Ioma Station, Tamata Sub-district

3. PROJECT 2: COMMUNITY AND INSTITUTIONAL BROADBAND NETWORKS

3.3 Projects to be funded

Number of projects:

1-2 projects (separate procurements) in one or more of the following geographic locations, in descending order of priority:

1. Western Province
- ~~2. Gulf Province~~ (to be replaced by Northern (Oro: Sohe)
3. Manus Province
4. West Sepik Province
- ~~5. East Sepik Province~~ (to be replaced by Madang)
Sumkar & Rai Coast)
6. West New Britain Province

New amendments for project locations are:

1. Western Province
2. Northern (Oro) Province
Sohe
3. Manus Province
4. West Sepik Province
5. Madang Province
Sumkar
Rai Coast
6. West New Britain Province

4. PROJECT 3: ICT PLATFORM FOR FUTURE GROWTH PROJECT

4.4 Projects to be funded

Number of projects:

ICT content = 1 pilot project

Digital literacy = 1 pilot project

The amended project to include:

4 computers each for the following schools in Bulolo District:

Biune High School

Buang High School

Grace Memorial Wau High School

5. PROJECT 4: EXTENSION OF BROADCASTING NETWORK COVERAGE

5.3 Projects to be funded

Number of projects

1 pilot project

Size, scope:

3-4 districts within a selected province, where broadcast signals are not sufficiently available, to reach all unserved LLGs within the defined area

The pilot project will be in one of the following geographical locations, in descending order of priority:

1. Morobe Province
(Add in Bulolo: Zenag & Bubia)
2. Hela Province
3. Gulf Province
4. Milne Bay Province
5. Central Province
6. Eastern Highlands Province

The priority is based on the absence of broadcasting (TV and FM) coverage as shown by the access gap analysis.

New amendments as follows:

1. Morobe Province
Bulolo: Zenag & Bubia*
2. Hela Province
3. Gulf Province
4. Milne Bay Province
5. Central Province
6. Eastern Highlands Province

* Under Morobe: two X All-in-one (NBC) towers for Zenag, in Mumeng and Bubia to expand coverage for Radio, TV, ICT Services generally.
Suggestions: 100 metre tower powered by 30 watt (costs about K1 million per tower).

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