



PRESS STATEMENT

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ZESCO CONNECTS CHAMA AND LUNDAZI TO THE NATIONAL GRID

(FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE INDEPENDENCE)

Lusaka, Friday, 29 December 2023 - ZESCO Limited is delighted to announce the successful connection and powering of Lundazi and Chama Districts of the Eastern Province of Zambia to the National Grid, for the first time since Zambia's independence, 59 years ago.

This development represents a new era for the residents in the two Districts and their environs, promising enhanced opportunities for economic growth and stability in sectors like agriculture and commerce, previously hindered by inconsistent power sources. This is in line with the New Dawn Government's focus to increase the access rate to electricity in Zambia.

The Chama-Lundazi project stands as a testament to our commitment to delivering infrastructure projects that are cost-effective, timely, and of high quality. The project has been delivered at a cost lower than US\$20Million from the initial US\$54Million. The cost has been managed by employing internal resources to execute the project.

As we celebrate this milestone, we urge our customers and the public to actively participate in safeguarding this vital infrastructure to ensure reliability and availability of power supplies in Chama and Lundazi Districts.

ZESCO Limited remains dedicated to delivering electricity to Zambia's retail and industrial development while enhancing the lives of its citizens through the provision of sustainable energy solutions.

With the 325KM of the 132kV transmission line already erected, the project was restarted in 2022 following a resolution by the ZESCO Corporate Leadership Team by using the Corporation's internally generated financial resources and an in-house project management team.

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