

## IMMIGRATION OFFICE ORDERS RESIDENT FOREIGNERS IN TANZANIA TO UNDERGO ELECTRONIC VERIFICATION.

The Press Release issued by the Immigration Office under the Ministry of Home Affairs through its Commissioner General, Dr. Anna Makakala on 19th April 2017 states that all non-citizens are immediately required to verify their valid residence permits.

The Immigration Office has given a 90-day ultimatum for agencies, corporations and institutions employing foreigners to send details of their resident permits to any nearby Immigration Office, the exercise starts immediately with the deadline of 18th July 2017.

The Immigration Office further explained that the launch of the electronic system is in line with changing of the technology and aimed at bringing immigration services up to the international standards and that the electronic system will further scrutiny the genuineness of all residence permits in order to ensure all non-citizens residing in Tanzania, their employers are in compliance with the Immigration Laws. In order to access the services in the electronic system, one is required to log into the Immigration Website ([www.immigration.go.tz](http://www.immigration.go.tz)) and follow procedures as illustrated within the link.

The Press Statement states that, the exercise is a voluntary compliance for all non-citizens working and residing in Tanzania and failure to comply with the same before the mentioned deadline serious legal action will be taken against employers and agencies employing non-citizens in Tanzania.

The Press Statement further cautioned and reminds the general public that, non-citizens working and residing in Tanzania without a valid residence permit issued by the immigration office are committing an offence.

### FURTHER INFORMATION:

This editorial is intended to give you a general over view of the Law. If you would like further information and clarification on any issue raised in this editorial, please contact.

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