

# TAX DATA CARD

Uganda

## **Corporation Tax**

| Item  | Rate    | Details  |
|---|---------|--|
| Residents                                       | 30%     | A company is resident if it is incorporated under the laws of Uganda, has<br>management and control exercised in Uganda, or undertakes the majority of   |
|   |         | operations in Uganda during the year of income.  |
| Non-residents                                   | 30%     | Includes branches of non-resident persons executing business in Uganda   |
| Rental tax                                      |         | Effective dat, July 2000, the applicable rate of tay for companies is maintained at  |
| Resident individual & non-individual            | 30%/12% | Effective 1st July 2022, the applicable rate of tax for companies is maintained at 30% while the new rate for individuals is 12%.  |
| Non-Resident individual & non-individual        | 15%     | Collected through the withholding tax mechanism  |
| Additional taxes                                |         | Additional 15% branch tax charged on profits remitted by branches of non-  |
| Branch of a foreign company                     | 15%     | resident persons to head offices   |
| Gaming tax                                      | 20%     | Applicable to licensed operators of casinos, gaming, or lotteries activities   |
| Allowable deductions                            |         |  |
| Business expenses                               | N/A     | All expenses and losses incurred by a business to the extent to which such<br>expenses are, and losses incurred in the production of income included in gross<br>income                          |
| Capital losses                                  | N/A     | Loss on a disposal of a business asset, whether or not the asset was on revenue<br>or capital amount   |
| Rental expenses                                 | 50%     | Allowable rental expenditure capped at 50% of the rental income for companies.<br>Carried forwards losses prior to amendment claimable indefinitely but capped at 50%                            |
| Taxpayers employing persons with disabilities   | 2%      | Individuals and partners in a partnership claim no expenses.<br>Deduction of 2% of income tax payable for private employers who prove that 5%  |
|   | 270     | of employees on a full-time basis are disabled<br>Deduction only allowed if meals, refreshment, or entertainment are;  |
|   |         | <ul><li>a) Provided to all employees on an equal basis;</li><li>b) Form part of a benefit to employees:</li></ul>  |
| Meals, refreshments, and entertainment expenses | N/A     | <ul> <li>b) A reimbursable business expense that does not exceed the actual cost<br/>incurred</li> <li>c) An expense incurred by a business dealing in the provision of meals,</li> </ul>        |
|   |         | refreshment or entertainment<br>Applicable to Financial institutions, and non-financial institutions (on production  |
| Bad Debts                                       | N/A     | of documentary evidence in relation to bad debts)  |
| Interest  | 30%     | Allowable interest shall not exceed 30% of the Tax EBITDA (Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation, and Amortization)  |
| Repairs and minor capital equipment             | N/A     | Capital equipment (except returnable containers) with a value less than UGX 1,000,000 allowed as an expenditure  |
| Start-up costs                                  | 25%     | Costs incurred in setting up a business to produce income included in the gross income are deductible over 4 years (25% in the year the expense is incurred, and the same over the next 3 years) |
| Charitable donations                            | 5%      | Amount of deduction made to exempt organizations capped at a rate of 5% of<br>the chargeable income before taking into account the value of charitable<br>deductions                             |
| Loss Carried forward                            | N/A     | The indefinite period for carrying taxable losses forward  |
| Capital deductions                              |         |  |
| Plant and machinery:                            |         |  |
| Initial Allowance                               | 50%     | Eligible property placed into service for the first time outside a radius of 50KM<br>from the boundaries of Kampala qualify for initial allowance at 50% of the cost<br>base of the property     |
| Wear and Tear*:                                 |         |  |
| Class I (A)                                     | 100%    | Depreciable assets acquired as part of mining exploration expenditure  |
| Class I   | 40%     | Computers and data handling equipment  |
| Class II  | 30%     | Plant and machinery used in farming, manufacturing and mining  |
| Class III                                       | 20%     | Any depreciable asset not included in other classes  |
| Industrial Buildings:                           |         |  |
| Initial Allowance                               | 20%     | A new industrial building placed into service for the first time qualify for initial allowance at 20% of the cost base of the property   |
| Industrial building allowance                   | 5%      | allowance applicable to industrial buildings used by a person during the year of<br>income in production of income included in the gross income  |
| Intangible assets                               | N/A     | a capital deduction is computed as a quotient of the amount of expenditure<br>incurred (dividend) and the useful life of the asset in years (divisor)  |
| Horticultural capital expenditure               |         | וויטמויטע (עואועפווע) מויע וויפ עספועו ווופ טו נוופ מסספר וור yedis (Ulvisur)  |
| Horticultural plant and construction of a       | 20%     | a deduction of 20% of the capital expenditure in the year during which it is   |
| greenhouse Mining exploration expenditure       |         | incurred and the following four years of income  |
| Class I(A)                                      | 100%    | Depreciable assets acquired as part of mining exploration expenditure  |

\* Effective 1st July 2021, depreciable classes (exclusive of depreciable assets acquired as part of mining exploration expenditure) have been revised from 4 to 3

## Withholding Tax

| Item   | Resident | Non-resident |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Dividends  | 15%      | 15%          |
| Applicable scenarios:  |          |              |
| Recipient of dividends controls 25% or more in payer company   | 0%       | 15%          |
| The recipient is a shareholder in a USE listed company   | 10%      | 15%          |
| Interest   | 15%      | 15%          |
| Applicable scenarios:  |          |              |
| Interest paid to a bank or financial institution of public character                                       | 0%       | 0%           |
| Interest paid by a natural person  | 0%       | 0%           |
| Interest paid by a resident person to another associated resident person*                                  | 0%       | N/A          |
| In respect of debentures issued to the non-resident company for purposes of raising loan outside of Uganda | N/A      | 0%           |
| Interest on treasury bills or other government securities with a maturity period of fewer than 10 years    | 20%      | 20%          |
| Interest on treasury bills or other government securities with a maturity period of more than 10 years     | 10%      | 10%          |
| Royalty  | 6%       | 15%          |
| Rent   | N/A      | 15%          |
| Natural resource payment   | 6%       | 15%          |
| Management fees  | 6%       | 15%          |
| Public entertainers or sportspersons   | 6%       | 15%          |
| Contractors or professionals   | 6%       | 15%          |
| Shipping and air transport services embarked from Uganda   | 6%       | 2%           |
| Tele-communications services provided non-resident persons   | N/A      | 5%           |
| Service fees paid to non-resident contractors by mining and petroleum licensees                            | N/A      | 10%          |
| Participation dividends paid to non-resident companies by mining and petroleum licensees                   | N/A      | 15%          |
| Purchase of an asset by a resident person from a non-resident person                                       | N/A      | 10%          |
| Purchase of a business or business asset by a resident person  | 6%       | N/A          |
| Winnings of betting or gaming  | 15%      | 15%          |
| Payments for re-insurance premiums by resident person to a non-resident person                             | N/A      | 10%          |
| Commissions on Airtime distribution and Mobile money   | 10%      | N/A          |
| Commissions paid to insurance agents   | 10%      | 10%          |
| Commissions paid to an advertising agent   | 10%      | 10%          |
| Payments for goods and services  | 6%       | N/A          |
| Import of goods (paid to URA)  | 6%       | N/A          |

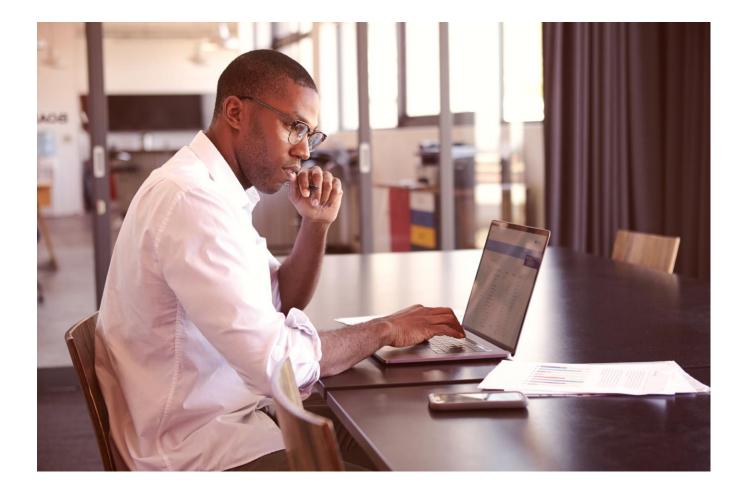
\* Associated company means:

• a company in which payer company controls > 50% of voting power directly or through one or more interposed companies;

a company which controls > 50% of voting power in the payer company directly or through one or more interposed companies or;
Another company controls > 50% of voting power in both the payer and payee companies through one or more interposed companies.

#### **Personal Tax**

| Individual Tax Thresholds  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Income Bracket   |  | Tax rate   |  |  |  |
| Residents  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not exceeding UGX 2,820,000 (2   | 235,000 pm)  | -  |  |  |  |
| • • • •  | 5,000 pm) but not exceeding UGX 4,020,000  | 10% of the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 2,820,000 (235,000pm)   |  |  |  |
| Exceeding UGX 4,020,000 (335<br>(410,000 pm)                           | 5,000 pm) but not exceeding UGX 4,920,000  | UGX 120,000 (10,000 pm) plus 20% of the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 4,020,000 (335,000 PM)   |  |  |  |
| Exceeding UGX 4,920,000 (410,  | .000 pm)   | UGX 120,000 (10,000 pm) plus 20% of the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 4,020,000 (335,000 PM)   |  |  |  |
| Exceeding UGX 4,920,000 (410,  | 000 pm)  | <ul> <li>a) UGX 300,000 (25,000 pm) plus 30% of the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 4,920,000 (410,000 PM): and</li> <li>b) Where chargeable income of an individual exceeds UGX 120,000,000 (10,000,000 pm) an additional 10% charged on the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 120,000,000 (10,000,000 PM)</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Non-Residents  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not exceeding 4,020,000 (335,0   | 00 pm)   | 10%  |  |  |  |
| <b>e</b>   | ,000 pm) but not exceeding UGX 4,920,000   | UGX 402,000 (33,500 pm) plus 20% of the amount by which chargeable   |  |  |  |
| (410,000 pm)<br>Exceeding UGX 4,020,000 (335,<br>(410,000 pm)          | 000 pm) but not exceeding UGX 4,920,000  | income exceeds UGX 4,020,000 (335,000 PM)<br>UGX 120,000 (10,000 pm) plus 20% of the amount by which chargeable<br>income exceeds UGX 4,020,000 (335,000 PM)   |  |  |  |
| Exceeding UGX 4,920,000 (410,  | ,000 pm)   | <ul> <li>a) UGX 582,000 (48,500 pm) plus 30% of the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 4,920,000 (410,000 PM): and</li> <li>b) Where chargeable income of an individual exceeds UGX 120,000,000 (10,000,000 pm) an additional 10% charged on the amount by which chargeable income exceeds UGX 120,000,000 (10,000,000 PM)</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Employment Income  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Taxable  |  | Non-taxable  |  |  |  |
|  | yment in lieu of leave, overtime pay, fees,<br>amount of travel, entertainment, utilities, cost<br>ner allowance;                                    | <ol> <li>Passage expenses to and from Uganda incurred on behalf of an employee<br/>recruited out of Uganda</li> </ol>  |  |  |  |
| 2) Value of Benefits granted   |  | 2) Reimbursement of medical expenses   |  |  |  |
| 3) Reimbursed expenses by an e   | employee   | 3) The life insurance premium paid by a taxable employer   |  |  |  |
| 4) Amount received for termination                                     | on of employee contract  | 4) Allowances provided by an employer which are not likely to exceed the actual cost incurred  |  |  |  |
| 5) A life insurance premium paid                                       |  | <ol><li>Meals and refreshments provided to company employees at company<br/>premises and on equal terms</li></ol>  |  |  |  |
| conditions   | for the employee agreeing to varying work  | 6) A benefit provided to an employee in a month not exceeding UGX 10,000   |  |  |  |
| acquisition scheme<br>8) The amount by which the valu                  | of the right to acquire shares under share   | <ul> <li>7) Contributions by an employer to a resident retirement fund on behalf of the employee</li> <li>8) Value of a right to acquire shares under an employee share acquisition scheme</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
| the consideration given by an en                                       | npioyee  | 9) 25% of the amount received for termination of employment contract who has been employed for 10 years or more  |  |  |  |
| Taxable Benefits   |  |  |  |  |  |
| ltem   | Mode of computation of benefit   | Details  |  |  |  |
| Motor Vehicle benefit  | (20% x A x B/C) - D  | A- Market value of Motor vehicle at the time it was provided to<br>the employee, depreciated on reducing balance at 35%<br>B- No. of days in a year the vehicle is used or available for<br>private purposes<br>C- No. of days in the year of income<br>D- Any payment made by the employee for the benefit                                      |  |  |  |
| Domestic Assistant   | Employment income paid to the Domestic ass<br>any payment made by the employee   |  |  |  |  |
| Meals, refreshment, or entertainment                                   | Cost of employer providing meals, refreshmer<br>entertainment less payment made by an emp  | N/A  |  |  |  |
| Utilities  | Cost of the employer providing utilities less paramade by the employee   |  |  |  |  |
| Provision of loan to the<br>employee (exceeding UGX<br>1,000,000)      | Difference between the interest paid during th<br>income and interest computed based on the s<br>rate  |  |  |  |  |
| Waiver of employee obligation to repay the amount owed to the employer | Value of benefit is the amount waived  | N/A  |  |  |  |
| Accommodation or housing benefit                                       | Lesser of:<br>a). market rate of accommodation less any pa<br>made by the employee; or<br>b). 15% of employment including amount abo<br>the employee | N/A<br>ve paid by  |  |  |  |
|  | The market value of benefit less any payment   | made by N/A  |  |  |  |



| Other Payroll Obligations - Local Service Tax                    |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| Income Bracket   | Amount of LST (UGX)  |
| Exceeding UGX 100,000 but not exceeding UGX 200,000              | 5,000                |
| Exceeding UGX 200,000 but not exceeding UGX 300,000              | 10,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 300,000 but not exceeding UGX 400,000              | 20,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 400,000 but not exceeding UGX 500,000              | 30,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 500,000 but not exceeding UGX 600,000              | 40,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 600,000 but not exceeding UGX 700,000              | 60,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 700,000 but not exceeding UGX 800,000              | 70,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 800,000 but not exceeding UGX 900,000              | 80,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 900,000 but not exceeding UGX 1,000,000            | 90,000               |
| Exceeding UGX 1,000,000  | 100,000              |
| Other Payroll Obligations - National Social Security Fund (NSSF) |                      |
| Item   | Rate of contribution |
| Monthly contribution by employer                                 | 10%                  |
| Monthly contribution by the employee                             | 5%                   |

#### Value Added Tax

| ltem                          | Rate            | Details  |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Annual Registration Threshold | UGX 150,000,000 | For purposes of VAT registration, the threshold is considered quarterly, that is UGX 37.5 Million in any three months  |
| Standard rate 18%             |                 | The standard rate is applicable on all taxable goods and services other than exempt<br>supplies made in Uganda by taxable persons. Any item not specifically mentioned in<br>the third or second schedules of the VAT Act is considered as a standard rated supply   |
| Zero rate                     | 0%              | Items listed in third schedule of the VAT Act  |
| Exempted items                | -               | Goods and services considered out of the scope of the VAT Act, and not susceptible to any tax. They are listed under the Second Schedule of the VAT Act  |
| Import of goods               | 18%             | VAT applicable on import of goods unless exempted under the East African Community Customs Management Act (EAC-CMA), or would be exempt had they been supplied in Uganda   |
| Import of services            | 18%             | VAT on imported services against which input credit can not be claimed is applicable<br>except for exempted services mentioned in the second schedule of the VAT Act   |
| Other considerations          |                 |  |
| Deemed VAT                    | 18%             | Applicable to:<br>a).taxable supplies made by contractors to a licensee under petroleum operations,<br>b). Supplies made by a supplier to a contractor executing an aid-funded project<br>c).Supplies made by a contractor executing an aid-funded project to a Government<br>agency<br>VAT is charged but not paid (thus deemed to be paid) |
|                               |                 | Scheme under which tax payable at the point of importation of plant and machinery<br>used in manufacture of goods or services is postponed for a period of:  |
| VAT deferment                 | 18%             | <ul> <li>a) Person already making taxable supplies: 15 days after a tax period (month)</li> <li>b) Person not yet making taxable supplies: 1 year</li> <li>The above scheme is only applicable if the tax due on the plant and machinery is at least USD 4,000</li> </ul>  |

#### **Excise Duty**

| Items  | Rates   |
|--|---|
| Fast Moving Consumer goods   |   |
| Cigarettes   |   |
| Soft cup: Locally manufactured   | UGX 55,000 per 1,000 sticks                     |
| Soft cup: Imported   | UGX 75,000 per 1,000 sticks                     |
| Hinge Lid: Locally manufactured  | UGX 80,000 per 1,000 sticks                     |
| Hinge Lid: Imported  | UGX 100,000 per 1,000 sticks                    |
| Cigars, cheroots and cigarillos containing tobacco   | 200%  |
| Smoking tobacco, whether or not containing tobacco substitutes in any proportion   | 200%  |
| Homogenized or reconstituted tobacco   | 200%  |
| Sugar confectionaries; Chewing gum, sweets & chocolates  | 0%  |
| Beer   |   |
| Malt beer  | 60% or UGX 2,050 per litre whichever is higher  |
| Beer whose local raw material content excluding water is at least 75% by weight of its constituents  | 30% or UGX 650 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Beer produced from barley grown and malted in Uganda   | 30% or UGX 950 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Opaque beer  | 20% or UGX 230 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Any other alcoholic beverage locally produced  | 20% or UGX 230 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Spirits  |   |
| Un-denatured spirits made from locally produced raw materials  | 60% or UGX 1,500 per litre whichever is higher  |
| Un-denatured spirits made from imported raw materials  | 100% or UGX 2,500 per litre whichever is higher |
| Ready to drink spirits   | 80% or UGX 1,700 per litre whichever is higher  |
| Wine   |   |
| Wine made from locally produced raw materials  | 20% or UGX 2,000 per litre whichever is higher  |
| Other wines  | 80% or UGX 8,000 per litre whichever is higher  |
| Non-alcoholic  |   |
| Non-alcoholic beverages not including fruit or vegetable juice   | 12% or UGX 250 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Fruit juice and vegetable juice except juice made from at least 30% pulp from fruit and vegetables<br>grown in Uganda  | 12% or UGX 250 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Powder for reconstruction to make juice or dilute to taste drinks, excluding pulp  | 15% of the value                                |
| Other non-alcoholic beverage made out of fermented sugary tea solution with a combination of yeast<br>and bacteria   | 12% or UGX 250 per litre whichever is higher    |
| Mineral water, bottled water and other water purposely for drinking  | 10%   |
| Fermented beverages  |   |
| Any other fermented beverages made from imported cider, perry, mead, spears or near beer   | 60% or UGX 950 per litre, whichever is higher   |
| Any other fermented beverages made from locally grown cider, perry, mead, spears or near beer  | 30% or UGX 550 per litre, whichever is higher   |
| Cooking oil  | 20%   |
| Cosmetics and perfumes, except creams used by an albino in the treatment of their skin   | 10%   |
| Communication  |   |
| Airtime on mobile cellular, landlines and public payphones   | 12% of the fee charged                          |
| Internet data except for data for the provision of medical services and education services   | 12% of the fee charged                          |
| Money transfer or withdrawal services, including transfers and withdrawal services by operators licensed to provide communications or money transfers or withdrawals but not including transfers and withdrawal services provided by banks | 15% of the fee charged                          |
| Value-added services   | 12% of the fee charged                          |
| Mobile money transaction of withdrawal of cash   | 0.5% of the value of the transaction            |
| Incoming international calls, except calls from Kenya, Rwanda and South Sudan  | USD 0.09 per minute                             |

#### **Excise Duty**

| Items   | Rates                                       |
|---|---|
| Fuels and Transportation  |   |
| Motor spirit (gasoline)   | UGX 1,450 per litre                         |
| Gas oil (automotive, light, amber for high-speed engine)  | UGX 1,130 per litre                         |
| Other gas oils  | UGX 630 per litre                           |
| Illuminating kerosene   | UGX 200 per litre                           |
| Jet A1 and aviation fuel  | UGX 200 per litre                           |
| Motorcycles at first registration   | UGX 200,000                                 |
| Lubricants under HS Codes 2710.19.51, 2710.19.52, 3403.19.00 and 3403.99.00 including motor vehicle lubricants, except aircraft lubricant   | 15%   |
| Industrial inputs   |   |
| Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose in solid form  | UGX 100 per Kg                              |
| Plastics  | 2.5% or USD 70 per ton, whichever is higher |
| Construction  |   |
| Cement  | UGX 500 per 50Kgs                           |
| Furniture excluding specialised hospital furniture, Furniture manufactured in Uganda using local<br>materials   | 20%   |
| Banking   |   |
| Ledger fees, ATM fees, Withdrawal fees and periodic charges and other transactions and non-<br>transaction charges, excluding loan-related charges periodically charged by financial institutions | 15% of the fees charged                     |

#### **Other taxes**

| Capital Gains Tax                      |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Item                                   | Rate   | Details  |  |  |
| Body corporates                        | 30%  | Capital gains tax applicable on both "direct" and "indirect" disposal of business assets   |  |  |
| Individuals                            | 10 - 40%   | Computation of capital gains tax is based on the individual tax thresholds   |  |  |
| Mode of computation                    |  |  |  |  |
| Item                                   |  | Guidance   |  |  |
| Indexation                             | CB x <u>CPID</u><br>CPIA   | CB- Amount of cost or expense forming part of the cost base of an asset<br>CPID- Consumer Price Index published for the calendar month of sale<br>CPIA- Consumer Price Index published for the month immediately before the date on<br>which the relevant item of cost or expense was incurred |  |  |
| Non recognition of capital gain / loss | Details  |  |  |  |
| Spousal relationships                  | Transfer of assets between spouses, or transfer of assets between former spouses as part of the divorce<br>settlement                |  |  |  |
| Involuntary asset disposal             | Only to the extent to wi   | nich proceeds are re-invested within one year of disposal  |  |  |
| Trustee or beneficiary transactions    | Transmission of an asset to a trustee or beneficiary upon the death of a taxpayer  |  |  |  |
| Registered venture capital             | Gains arising from the sale of registered venture capital fund if at least 50% of proceeds are invested within the<br>year of income |  |  |  |
| Non-Business gains                     | Except for gains on the  | Except for gains on the sale of shares in a non-listed entity or on sale of commercial building  |  |  |

| Presumptive Tax  |                             |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--|
| Gross Turnover   | Tax rate without<br>records | Details tax rate with records                              |
| Exceeds UGX 10,000,000 but not exceeding UGX 30,000,000  | UGX 80,000                  | 0.4% of turnover exceeding UGX 10,000,000                  |
| Exceeds UGX 30,000,000 but not exceeding UGX 50,000,000  | UGX 200,000                 | UGX 80,000 plus 0.5% of turnover exceeding UGX 30,000,000  |
| Exceeds UGX 50,000,000 but not exceeding UGX 80,000,000  | UGX 400,000                 | UGX 180,000 plus 0.6% of turnover exceeding UGX 50,000,000 |
| Exceeds UGX 80,000,000 but not exceeding UGX 150,000,000 | UGX 900,000                 | UGX 360,000 plus 0.7% of turnover exceeding UGX 80,000,000 |

#### **Double taxation treaties**

| Country        | Interest | Royalty | Technical fees | Management<br>fees | Dividends   |
|----------------|----------|---------|----------------|--------------------|---|
| Italy          | 15%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | 15%   |
| Denmark        | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | 10% if paid to a non-resident company that holds at least 25% shares or 15% in any other case.  |
| India          | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | 10%   |
| Mauritius      | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | 10%   |
| Netherlands    | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | a).15% if paid to a non-resident individual or<br>b).0% if paid to a non-resident company that holds at<br>least 50% shares or<br>c).5% if paid to a non-resident company that holds<br>less than 50% shares. |
| Norway         | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | <ul> <li>a).10% if paid to a non-resident company that holds</li> <li>at least 25% shares or</li> <li>b).15% in any other case</li> </ul>   |
| South Africa   | 10%      | 10%     | 10%            | 10%                | <ul> <li>a).10% if paid to a non-resident company that holds</li> <li>at least 25% shares or</li> <li>b).15% in any other case</li> </ul>   |
| United Kingdom | 15%      | 15%     | 15%            | 15%                | 15%   |
| Zambia         | 15%      | 15%     | 15%            | 0%                 | 0%  |

Note: The benefit (reduced rate) applicable to the above DTA's shall not be available to any person who receives the income in a capacity which is other than that of a beneficial owner who does not possess economic substance in the country of residence of the payee.



### **Compliance timelines**

| Tax<br>Head                 | Taxable<br>person                | Compliance<br>requirement        | Return<br>Name                                 | Frequency                                  | Due date   | Penalty for default  | Other penalties  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Income<br>Tax               | Non-<br>Individuals              | Registration                     | N/A  | One-off<br>requirement                     | N/A  | Higher of; double the amount<br>of tax payable during the<br>period commencing the last<br>day of the application period<br>until the person files an<br>application or is forcefully<br>registered, OR<br>UGX 1,000,000 | N/A  |
|                             |                                  | Return filing                    | Provisional<br>Income tax<br>return            | Annually                                   | By the 6th month of a year of income   | Higher of 2% of the tax<br>payable or UGX 200,000  | Penalty for<br>underestimating of<br>provisional estimates                   |
|                             |                                  |                                  | Amended<br>Provisional<br>income tax<br>return | Annually                                   | By the 12th month of a year of income  | N/A  | N/A  |
|                             |                                  |                                  | Final income<br>tax return                     | Annually                                   | Within 6 months after the end of a year of income  | Higher of 2% of the tax payable or UGX 200,000   | Interest (simple) of<br>2% for late payment<br>of tax liability              |
|                             |                                  |                                  | PAYE return                                    | Monthly                                    | 15th day of the following month  | Higher of 2% of the tax payable or UGX 200,000   | Interest (simple) of<br>2% for late payment<br>of tax liability              |
|                             |                                  |                                  | WHT return                                     | Monthly                                    | 15th day of the following month  | Higher of 2% of the tax payable or UGX 200,000   | Interest (simple) of<br>2% for late payment<br>of tax liability              |
|                             |                                  | Submission<br>of<br>information  | N/A  | Subject to<br>the<br>requirement<br>of URA | Within 30 days of notice of request of URA   | UGX 50,000,000   | N/A  |
|                             | Individual<br>s                  | Return filing                    | Provisional<br>Income tax<br>return            | Quarterly                                  | By the 3rd, 6th, 9th and<br>12th month of a year of<br>income  | Higher of 2% of the tax<br>payable or UGX 200,000  | Penalty for<br>underestimating of<br>provisional estimates                   |
|                             |                                  |                                  | Final income tax return                        | Annually                                   | Within 6 months after the end of a year of income  | Higher of 2% of the tax<br>payable or UGX 200,000  | Interest (simple) of<br>2% for late payment<br>of tax liability              |
|                             | Corporati<br>ons/Indivi<br>duals | Amendment<br>of filed<br>returns | All self-<br>assessed<br>returns               | Indefinite                                 | Within 3 years after filing the self-assessed return   | N/A  | N/A  |
|                             |                                  | Application<br>for refunds       | N/A  | Subject to<br>the<br>presence of<br>refund | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  |
| VAT                         | Corporati<br>ons/Indivi<br>duals | Registration                     | N/A  | One-off<br>requirement                     | Historic: Within 20 days of<br>any period of 3 months or<br>Futuristic: the beginning of<br>a 3 months period during<br>which taxable supplies<br>exceed the threshold | Higher of; double the amount<br>of tax payable during the<br>period commencing the last<br>day of the application period<br>until the person files an<br>application or is forcefully<br>registered, OR<br>UGX 1,000,000 | Interest at 2%<br>(compounded) for<br>late payment of any<br>outstanding tax |
|                             |                                  | Return filing                    | Monthly<br>VAT return                          | Monthly                                    | 15th day of the following month  | Higher of 2% of the tax payable or UGX 200,000   | Interest at 2%<br>(compounded) for<br>late payment of any<br>outstanding tax |
|                             |                                  | Amendment<br>of filed<br>returns | Monthly<br>VAT return                          | Indefinite                                 | Within 3 years after filing the self-assessed return   | N/A  | N/A  |
| Excise<br>Duty              | Corporati<br>ons/Indivi<br>duals | Registration                     | N/A  | One-off<br>requirement                     | N/A  | Higher of; double the amount<br>of tax payable during the<br>period commencing the last<br>day of the application period<br>until the person files an<br>application or is forcefully<br>registered, OR<br>UGX 1,000,000 | N/A  |
|                             |                                  | Return filing                    | Local excise<br>duty return                    | Monthly                                    | 15th day of the following month  | Higher of 2% of the tax<br>payable or UGX 200,000  | Interest at 2%<br>(compounded) for<br>late payment of any<br>outstanding tax |
|                             |                                  | Amendment<br>of filed<br>returns | Local excise<br>duty return                    | Indefinite                                 | Within 3 years after filing the self-assessed return   | N/A  | N/A  |
| Lotterie<br>s and<br>Gaming | Corporati<br>ons/Indivi<br>duals | Return filing                    | Monthly<br>Gaming Tax<br>return                | Monthly                                    | 15th day of the following month  | Higher of 2% of the tax<br>payable or UGX 200,000  | Interest at 2%<br>(compounded) for<br>late payment of any<br>outstanding tax |

#### **Investment incentives**

| Sectors   | Qualifying criteria   | Income Tax  | VAT  | Excise Duty  | Stamp duty  |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Exporters of<br>finished<br>consumer and<br>capital goods | 1). Exports 80% of the goods produced 2). Must apply to the commissioner for a certificate of exemption   | An exemption is for ten years   | No specific incentive,<br>however, exports are<br>zero-rated   | -  | -   |
| Savings and<br>Credit<br>Cooperative<br>Society           | N/A   | Income tax<br>exemption applicable<br>from 1st July 2017 to<br>30th June 2027   | -  | -  | -   |
| Real estate<br>(letting or<br>leasing<br>facilities)      | 1). Investment<br>capital: USD 50 Million<br>for a foreigner and<br>USD 10 Million for a<br>citizen<br>2). Location of<br>investment:<br>designated industrial<br>park or free zone | Income tax<br>exemption for 10<br>years from the date<br>of commencement of<br>construction or for an<br>existing developer,<br>the date on which<br>required capital<br>investment is made | -  | Exemption of duty<br>on construction<br>materials  | -   |
| Developers of<br>industrial<br>parks or free<br>zones     | 1). Investment<br>capital: USD 50 Million   | -   | VAT exemption on;<br>1). Supply of services to<br>conduct feasibility study,<br>design and construction;<br>2). Earthmoving<br>equipment and<br>machinery;<br>3).Construction<br>materials.  | -  | <ul> <li>Exemption of stamp duty on<br/>following instruments:</li> <li>1. Debenture,</li> <li>2. Any instrument imposing a further<br/>change on a mortgaged property</li> <li>3. Lease of land</li> <li>4. Increase of share capital</li> <li>5. Transfer of land</li> <li>6. An agreement to provide services<br/>on conducting a feasibility study<br/>or developing a design for<br/>construction</li> </ul> |
| Hotel or<br>tourism facility<br>developer                 | 1). Investment<br>capital; USD 8 Million<br>2).Room Capacity;<br>Exceeding 100 guests   | -   | VAT exemption on;<br>1). Supply of services to<br>conduct feasibility study,<br>design and construction;<br>2). Supply of locally<br>produced materials for<br>construction of<br>premises, infrastructure;<br>3). Machinery and<br>equipment or<br>furnishings and fittings<br>not available on the<br>local market | Exemption of duty<br>on locally<br>produced<br>materials for<br>construction of<br>premises and<br>other<br>infrastructure   | <ul> <li>Exemption of stamp duty on following instruments:</li> <li>1. Debenture,</li> <li>2. Any instrument imposing a further change on a mortgaged property</li> <li>3. Lease of land</li> <li>4. Increase of share capital</li> <li>5. Transfer of land</li> <li>6. An agreement to provide services on conducting a feasibility study or developing a design for construction</li> </ul>                     |
| Hospital<br>facility<br>developer                         | 1). Investment<br>capital; USD 5 Million<br>2).Speciality status:<br>National referral<br>hospital providing<br>specialised medical<br>care   | -   | VAT exemption on;<br>1). Supply of services to<br>conduct feasibility study,<br>design and construction;<br>2). Supply of locally<br>produced materials for<br>construction of<br>premises, infrastructure;<br>3). Machinery and<br>equipment or<br>furnishings and fittings   | Exemption of duty<br>on locally<br>produced<br>materials for<br>construction of<br>premises and<br>other<br>infrastructure and<br>furniture and<br>fittings                              | <ul> <li>Exemption of stamp duty on<br/>following instruments:</li> <li>1. Debenture,</li> <li>2. Any instrument imposing a further<br/>change on a mortgaged property</li> <li>3. Lease of land</li> <li>4. Increase of share capital</li> <li>5. Transfer of land</li> <li>6. An agreement to provide services<br/>on conducting a feasibility study<br/>or developing a design for<br/>construction</li> </ul> |
| Technical and<br>vocational<br>institute<br>operators     | 1). <b>Investment</b><br><b>capita</b> l; USD 10 Million<br>for a foreigner and<br>USD 1 Million for a<br>citizen   | -   | VAT exemption on;<br>1). Supply of services to<br>conduct feasibility study,<br>design and construction;<br>2). Supply of locally<br>produced materials for<br>construction of<br>premises, infrastructure;<br>3). Machinery and<br>equipment or<br>furnishings and fittings   | Exemption of duty<br>on construction<br>materials for the<br>construction of<br>premises and<br>other<br>infrastructure,<br>machinery and<br>equipment or<br>furnishings and<br>fittings | <ul> <li>Exemption of stamp duty on following instruments:</li> <li>1. Debenture,</li> <li>2. Any instrument imposing a further change on a mortgaged property</li> <li>3. Lease of land</li> <li>4. Increase of share capital</li> <li>5. Transfer of land</li> <li>6. An agreement to provide services on conducting a feasibility study or developing a design for construction</li> </ul>                     |
| Manufacturing<br>Sector                                   | 1). Investment<br>capital; USD 50 Million   | -   | -  | Exemption of duty<br>on construction<br>materials  | -   |

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| Sectors   | Qualifying criteria   | Income Tax  | VAT  | Excise Duty  | Stamp duty  |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Sectors<br>Operators in<br>industrial<br>parks or free<br>zones or<br>any other<br>business<br>outside an<br>industrial<br>park or free<br>zone | Qualifying criteria 1). Investment capital: USD 10 Million for a foreigner and USD 300,000 for a citizen (or USD 150,000 if an investment is an upcountry) 2). Location of investment: designated industrial park or free zone 3). Raw material utilization: at least 70% locally sourced materials 4). Staffing: at least 70% of employees being a citizen 5) Wage bill: at least 70% of wage bill on citizens 6) Activities: a). Agro-processing industries b). Manufacturers or assemblers of medical appliances, medical sundries or pharmaceuticals, building materials, automobiles and household appliances c). Manufacturers of furniture, pulp, paper, printing and publishing of instructional materials. d). Vocational or technical institutes e). Logistics and warehousing, information technology or commercial farming f). manufacturers of chemicals for agricultural use, industrial use, industrial machinery, electrical equipment, sanitary pads and diapers 7). Import substitution (applicable to excise duty only): substitution of 30% of the value of imported products | Income Tax<br>Income tax<br>exemption for 10<br>years from the<br>date of<br>commencement of<br>business or for an<br>existing business,<br>the date on which<br>required capital<br>investment is made | VAT<br>VAT exemption on;<br>1). Supply of services<br>to conduct feasibility<br>and design;<br>2). Supply of locally<br>produced materials<br>for the construction of<br>factory or warehouse;<br>3). Supply of locally<br>produced raw<br>materials and inputs<br>or machinery or<br>equipment. | Excise Duty<br>Exemption of duty on<br>construction materials of a<br>factory warehouse<br>exclusive of locally<br>available materials locally<br>produced raw materials<br>and inputs | <ul> <li>Stamp duty</li> <li>Exemption of stamp duty on<br/>following instruments: <ol> <li>Debenture,</li> <li>Any instrument imposing a<br/>further change on a<br/>mortgaged property</li> <li>Lease of land</li> <li>Increase of share capital</li> <li>Transfer of land</li> </ol> </li> <li>An agreement to provide<br/>services on conducting a<br/>feasibility study or<br/>developing a design for<br/>construction</li> </ul> |



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