

Progress Report on National Drug Authority Management Information System (NDAMIS) Integration with Uganda Electronic Single Window (UeSW).

Introduction

The Uganda electronic Single Window (Single Window) was initiated by the Government of Uganda to;

- facilitate trade
- increase investment
- Improve the life of Ugandans.

The main objective of implementing Single Window in Uganda is to achieve a 30 percent reduction in transaction costs and time associated with processing documentation for selected imports and exports at key trade regulatory agencies in Uganda

Phase 1 (for 20 months) was set to deliver implementation of six agencies (including NDA URA, UNBS, UCDA and others) by close of December 2016. An additional agency. This phase was extended at no cost to 31st December 2018. In this phase, another nine agencies were identified and together with the ones that were not concluded in the first phase, a total of sixteen Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDA's) have now had their modules developed and added on the live environment of Single Window, with the exception of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

NDA

The National Drug Authority is responsible for ensuring the availability of essential, efficacious and cost-effective drugs to the entire population of Uganda as a means of providing satisfactory healthcare and safeguarding the appropriate use of drugs as its mandate. In performing this role, NDA regulates the registration, importation and exportation of drugs.

In the process, Verification certificates (import permits), Physical inspection reports and results are currently shared electronically through the Single Window, from the NDAMIS to URA. Data related to importers is electronically verified and shared at the very beginning of the process in order to reduce the duplication of registration information using the interface.

All required documentation, used during the clearance of imports and exports is shared electronically through the various interfaces these include medicinal products lists,

quantities and their respective origins and destination coupled with reasons for their importation/exportation.

UeSW implementation updates.

Since the deployment of the interface for NDAMIS and Single Window system was done in March 2017, over 27,500 certificates have been received from NDAMIS into the Single Window. 13,389 certificates were shared during 2018/2019 FY and currently exist in the Single Window. Clearing agents are now empowered to declare these shipments electronically upon arrival at customs, NDA is electronically notified by UeSW when any medicament shipment has been declared to URA, this is followed by POE staff conducting physical inspection and release on NDAMIS, the inspection report is then shared with URA via this integration and final customs release done.

Certificates shared by NDAMIS to Single Window (July 2018 through June 2019)

	IMP01	RMI01	SCI01	Total
Jul-18	1052	274	3	1329
Aug-18	1041	154	1	1196
Sep-18	904	212	4	1120
Oct-18	995	282	3	1280
Nov-18	936	330	6	1272
Dec-18	654	213	1	868
Jan-19	1146	187		1333
Feb-19	1041	209	1	1251
Mar-19	952	242		1194
Apr-19	915	249	1	1165
May-19	930	298	2	1230
Jun-19	80	71		151
Total	10646	2721	22	13389
Key to terms used				
IMP01	Import Permit			
RMI01	Raw Materials Import Permit			
SCI01	Special Case Import Permit			

Below is the graphical representation the number of permits received into the UeSW from the NDAMIS in 2018/2019 FY.

