

Department of Treasury and NEFC



CHART OF ACCOUNTS

NEFC Regional workshops

Outline

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Penalties

- Breaking the law
- Withhold access to funds
 - Delayed warrant release
 - No support for additional funding
 - Shutdown the agency



Chart of Accounts The Chart of Accounts for Provinces, Districts, LLG and Grants was developed in 2009 and updated in 2011 to improve accountability in the provinces.

- The revised COA was compile by NEFC in consultation with, Treasury, Finance and other relevant agencies.
- Standard Chart of Accounts for all provinces



- Chart of Accounts Provincial and District Expenditure Code Structure
 - The PGAS Chart of Accounts coding has 14 digits as indicated below. (now increased to 22 digits)

Division	Indicator	Dist	LLG	Grant	Sector	Program	Activity	ltem
123	4	5	67	8	9	10	11	12 13 14

- The first 3 digits are for Division Identification. In case of Provinces, for example
 - 271 Western Province
 - 279- Western Highlands



- The fourth digit is to indicate expenditure type 1.e.: 1 is for Recurrent and 2 is for Development (Capital Expenditure)
- Digits 5,6,7 are used do describe location where expenditure takes place, i.e.: the cost centre. These codes are specified to each Province based on the PHQ, Dist and LLG structure for example:
 - 010 Provincial Headquarters
 - 011 District 1
- The eighth digit is used for grant code
 - 1 Administration & Other Service Delivery Grants
 - Personnel Emolument Grants (staffing grant, TSC Salaries, PS leave fares, teachers leave fares & village court allowances)
 - Functional Grants (Health, Education, Infra maintenance, Primary Production & Village Court Ops)



- Local Level Government Grants
- Urban Local Level Government Grants
- Special Support Grant (SSG) and Mining Agreement
- Other Economic Support Grants
- Others: Loans, Aid, etc. through the National Government
- The ninth digit is the Function Code used to describe the expenditure sector
 - 1 Administration
 - 2 Health
 - 3 Economic
 - 4 Education
 - 5 Law & Order
 - 6 Infrastructure
 - 7 Community Services
 - 8 Reserved
 - 9 Other



- Digits 10 & 11 are used for Program, Activities and Projects and the options available for these codes are what is being outlined in this guide. The examples as indicated are the minimum priorities.
- Digits 12-14 are for Item code
- Example
 - Activity Name: Road Maintenance (Recurrent)

Division	Indicator	Dist	LLG	Grant	Sector	Program	Activity	ltem
288	1	1	00	3	6	1	3	128

· 288–1100–3613–128



Findings on the COA

Southern Region COA.xlsx

CRITERIA

Match (both Code and Activity) Activity Description does not match the code Both Activity and code does not exist

Highlighted issues

- One Activity Code can be used for several Activities or vicevesa
- All Function Grant are coded as Grant type 3 except for Primary production. Only 6 provinces are using it while the rest are using Grant type 6 which is should be Special Support Grants (SSG) and Mining Agreements.
- Most provinces are using Program names as their Activity Description which makes it hard to identify which activity.
- The Use of Journal Entries.

Results

- NEFC findings Chart of Accounts
 - Error on presentation of COA
 - Inconsistencies in the coding
 - Difficulties in Reporting



Way Forward

- NEFC to work together with Treasury to create a standard chart of accounts – Error free COA
- Provinces need to submit detailed budget with correct Chart of accounts for approval
- Provinces need to work with Treasury and other central agencies and vice versa. We all need each other to make difference.



Thank you

Any Questions?????

