



**WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
(WARMA)**

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**PREVENTIVE MEASURES BEING IMPLEMENTED BY THE AUTHORITY TO CURB THE
THREAT OF THE CORONA VIRUS (COVID-19)**

The Water Resources Management Authority (WARMA), will continue to supplement government's efforts in curbing the Corona Virus (COVID-19) threat through implementing and disseminating life-serving and preventive information to its personnel and the general public as approved by the Ministry of Health.

To this effect and in relation to WARMA employees:

1. The Authority has identified essential staff that have remained on duty as we continue to fight vigorously to contain the spread of covid-19 in Zambia.
2. The Authority has further identified non-essential staff who are reporting on duty only on a rational basis; staff that shall work from home during the pandemic through the use of Microsoft Teams technology.
3. WARMA is currently working on modalities to send staff on paid annual leave in line with the Employment Code of 2019, in emphasis to keep staff safe from the vulnerabilities that Covid-19 poses.
4. The Authority is also encouraging all its clients to take advantage of its on-line services such as registrations and other services found on its website on <http://www.warma.org.zm/>

Furthermore, WARMA is providing hand sanitisers and washing basins for both its employees and clients , from the security point of entry to the premises, the reception, rest rooms and all offices to ensure that the working environment at the WARMA HOUSE is in line with the guidelines as stipulated by the Ministry of Health.

Therefore, WARMA is calling upon all its stakeholders and the general public to emulate Government's initiatives by implementing necessary measures that will ensure continued productivity, in ways that do not endanger the much-treasured lives of Zambians.

The Authority is further appealing to each citizen to play their respective rightful role in containing the spread of covid-19 in Zambia, by adhering to the measures which were outlined on 25th March 2020, by His Excellence, the President of the Republic of Zambia, Dr. Edger Chagwa Lungu, during his national address on COVID-19.

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