

EIZ SET TO REMODEL NORTHERN REGIONAL OFFICES



The Engineering Institution of Zambia (EIZ) held a Groundbreaking Ceremony for the remodeling of its Northern Regional Offices on 8 Kantanta Street in Kitwe.

Speaking at the event, EIZ President, Engineer Abel Ng'andu said the membership of the institution has grown exponentially over the years, from about 6,000 in 2012 to 65,000 in 2022.

“It has therefore become imperative that we increase our quality of service by providing an environment that will meet the demands of our members in many significant ways. And one of these ways is to construct a befitting modern structure that will carry our brand and image to reflect positively on who we are and what we stand for”, Eng. Ng'andu said.

He said a new comfortable office environment will allow the institution to live the brand and promote it during face to face member interactions.

He added that the construction of the building would therefore be a visible and viable asset, which will be utilized to build and grow the membership.

The northern regional offices cover activities in the Luapula, Muchinga, Copper belt, Northern and North Western Provinces and 60 percent of the members come from it.

Eng. Ng'andu further said the offices were designed with both the employees, members and other stakeholders in mind, taking into account their diversity and their need for convenience, comfort, communication and interaction.

“This upcoming structure, is not just an ordinary building for us, but a symbol of our commitment to re-shaping the profession that will stand the test of time in playing a crucial role in the economic development of this country”, he said.

And EIZ Northern Region Chairperson Eng. Chansa Musonda said there was more work to be done to bridge the membership aspirations with how they perceive the institution.

“Sticking to the mandate of the institution is safe, however the framers of our constitution had a vision for their time and time has long moved on, we need to respond to the growing concerns of the members to take active steps to address these concerns”, Eng. Musonda said.

“we need to make the hard decisions Mr. president to address the members cry in an environment that is hostile to engineers where engineers are losing jobs, where engineers are blamed for all things that go wrong yet decisions are made elsewhere”.

He said the institution needs to aspire for greater heights and realize the giant that it is, to help push the nation forward.