

MACRA awards ZAIN Malawi 3G licence

MACRA has awarded a 3G licence to Zain Malawi, which is expected to enhance high-speed wireless internet access.

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Zain marketing director, Enwell Kadango confirmed that discussions that started between the company and MACRA since 2006 has finally borne fruit as its licence conditions have now been changed.

“3G is the telecommunication hardware standard and general technology for the mobile networking superseding 2.5G system which will now allow speed in data processing,” said Kadango who added that Malawi is taking after most developing countries that are using this technology.

Currently Zain Malawi is about to finish its equipment installation across the country which will be compatible with the new system which offers fast downloading speeds of between 2-8mbps.

Malawi's Zain CEO Fayaz King said 3G would also allow users to watch television besides connecting to the internet and make video calls.

TNM Limited Zain's competitor in the market got the licence sometime back but it is only now that the company has been testing it.