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The following circular is promulgated for information, compliance guidance and necessary action

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ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ICAO ANNEX 19 (SAFETY MANAGEMENT) – AMENDMENT 2

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC) is to inform all aviation service providers obliged to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS) that the United Republic of Tanzania (URT) has adopted Amendment 2 to ICAO Annex 19 – Safety Management. Ammendment 2 to ICAO Annex 19 applicable as of 26 November 2026.

This AIC further provides guidance on the key safety management enhancements introduced by Amendment 2, and outlines the URT’s transitional implementation arrangements pending full transposition into national regulations.

2. APPLICABILITY

This AIC applies to all aviation service providers required to implement SMS, including but not limited to:

- a) Air Operators (AOC holders);
- b) Approved Maintenance Organizations (AMOs);
- c) Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSPs);
- d) Aerodrome Operators;
- e) Approved Training Organizations (ATOs);
- f) Design and Manufacturing Organizations, where applicable.

3. BACKGROUND

ICAO Annex 19 was amended through Amendment 2 to strengthen the global safety management framework, with emphasis on State Safety Programme (SSP) effectiveness, performance-based oversight, safety data and information protection, and enhanced alignment between SSP and service provider SMS.

The United Republic of Tanzania has formally adopted Amendment 2 to Annex 19 and has commenced implementation of its provisions through the State Safety Programme and related oversight activities. The Authority is concurrently undertaking the process of transposing the Amendment 2 provisions into the Civil Aviation (Safety Management) Regulations.

4. KEY ENHANCEMENTS INTRODUCED BY ANNEX 19 AMENDMENT 2

4.1 Strengthened State Safety Programme (SSP) Governance

- a) Clearer definition of State safety policy, objectives, and accountability;
- b) Enhanced coordination among State aviation authorities involved in safety oversight;
- c) Formalization of State-level safety risk management processes.

4.2 Performance-Based and Risk-Based Oversight

- a) Increased emphasis on safety performance monitoring rather than prescriptive compliance alone;
- b) Use of safety data and information to prioritize oversight and surveillance activities;
- c) Alignment of service provider SPIs with State Safety Performance Indicators (SSP SPIs).

4.3 Safety Data, Information, and Protection

- a) Strengthened requirements for mandatory and voluntary safety reporting systems;
- b) Protection of safety data and safety information in accordance with just culture principles;
- c) Clear separation between safety data used for safety improvement and enforcement actions, except in cases of gross negligence, wilful misconduct, or intentional non-compliance.

4.4 Enhanced Safety Risk Management

- a) Improved identification and analysis of emerging safety risks at both State and service provider levels;
- b) Requirement for proactive hazard identification supported by data analysis;
- c) Integration of safety risk management outputs into oversight planning.

5. STATE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

The Authority wishes to inform industry that:

- a) Adoption of Annex 19 Amendment 2 has been completed at State level;
- b) Implementation of the Amendment 2 provisions has commenced through the State Safety Programme, safety performance monitoring, and risk-based oversight activities;
- c) The Authority is in the process of transposing the Amendment 2 provisions into the Civil Aviation (Safety Management) Regulations, including consequential amendments to associated Advisory Circulars, Orders, and other technical guidance material.

6. EXPECTATIONS FROM SERVICE PROVIDERS

All service providers obliged to implement SMS are expected to:

- a) Ensure continued effective implementation of their SMS in accordance with existing national regulations;
- b) Review their SMS frameworks to ensure alignment with performance-based safety management principles;
- c) Develop, monitor, and report Safety Performance Indicators (SPIs) consistent with State expectations;
- d) Strengthen internal safety reporting, data analysis, and risk management processes;
- e) Cooperate with the Authority during the transitional period.

7. TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Until the Amendment 2 provisions are fully transposed into national regulations:

- a) Existing SMS regulatory requirements remain applicable and enforceable;
- b) The Authority will issue additional guidance, Advisory Circulars, or Orders as necessary;
- c) Service providers will be afforded reasonable transition arrangements, without compromising safety.

8. ENQUIRIES

Any enquiries related to this AIC or the implementation of Annex 19 Amendment 2 should be directed to the State Safety Programme Office through email: sspcoordination@tcaa.go.tz.