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PUBLIC NOTICE ON COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION OF MOBILE NUMBER PORTABILITY

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The National Information and Communications Technology Authority (NICTA) has completed a comprehensive public inquiry into the potential implementation of Mobile Number Portability (MNP) in Papua New Guinea.

MNP enables mobile users to retain their existing mobile numbers when changing service providers, thereby promoting consumer choice, market competition, and service affordability.

Following the previous two phases of public inquiries conducted between October 2023 and May 2024, NICTA has now submitted its Final Inquiry Report (2025), including a Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) and recommendations to the Minister for Information and Communications Technology.

Section 189(5) of the *National Information and Communications Technology Act, 2009* ("the Act") requires the Minister, upon receipt of NICTA's recommendation, to seek submissions from the public before deciding whether to accept and implement MNP.

This Public Notice is therefore issued in accordance with Section 229 of the Act to invite comments and submissions from stakeholders and the general public on NICTA's Final Report and recommendations. This notice is published to:

1. Announce the commencement of a public consultation on the proposed implementation of Mobile Number Portability (MNP) in Papua New Guinea;
2. Invite written submissions from stakeholders and the public on NICTA's Final MNP Inquiry Report (2025), including its Cost-Benefit Analysis, technical framework, and recommended business rules;
3. Seek stakeholder views on whether the Minister should accept or amend NICTA's recommendations, consistent with Section 189(5) of the Act; and
4. Specify the timeframe within which all submissions must be received by NICTA.

Stakeholders and public are therefore encouraged to access the MNP Inquiry Report 2025 and consultation instructions at www.ict.gov.pg and provide written submissions to the Department of ICT.

The public consultation period will run from 27th January to 28th of February 2026.

For more Information, Please Contact the Department of ICT via email at mnp_consultation@ict.gov.pg

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