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The ministry of Energy in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the European Union inaugurated the project office, being part of efforts to improve energy efficiency in the country.

Dr Biteko said that the initiative marks a significant step in transforming Tanzania's energy sector to address climate change and promote sustainable development through renewable energy, energy efficiency and modern transportation systems.

"Together we are building a resilient and prosperous nation for generations to come and we are grateful for the support of the EU and Embassy of Ireland in making energy efficiency a reality in Tanzania," he said.

Launched in 2022, the three -year project "Implementation of Tanzania's 1st Energy Efficiency Action Plan" has secured euros 8.75 million (equivalent to over 24bn/-) in funding from EU and UNDP with euros 600,000 (1.6 bn/-) from the Embassy of Ireland.

The project aims to improve energy efficiency in households, industries, public utilities and buildings, ultimately transitioning Tanzania toward greater energy sustainability.

It is being implemented in collaboration with beneficiary institutions namely the President's Office (Regional Administration and Local Government), Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT), Tanzania Industrial Research and Development Organization(TIRDO) and Energy and Water Utilities Regulatory Authority (EWURA).

Others are the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS), National Constructions Council (NCC), Rural Energy Agency (REA) and Tanzania Electric Supply Company (TANESCO).

The launch of the Energy Efficiency Project Office in Dodoma highlights the beneficial partnership between the Ministry of Energy and UNDP, facilitating effective coordination and implementation of the project.

"Key developments include implementing Minimum Energy Performance Standards(MEPs), building codes, young women scholarships programme, training and certification of Tanzania's first energy auditors and managers along with new state-of-the art laboratories demonstrate our focus on innovation and capacity building," he said.

In her opening remarks, UNDP Economic Advisor, Weyinmi Omamuli, said that UNDP is dedicated to advancing Tanzania's Vision 2025 and the SDGs. She expressed gratitude for the financial and technical



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support from the EU and the Embassy of Ireland.

"Over the past six months the Embassy of Ireland has joined our energy efficiency efforts, providing additional funding to expand key initiatives in the action plan" she said.

With the objective of achieving zero-carbon emissions and promoting risk-informed sustainable development, e-mobility has emerged as a pivotal factor in the sustainable growth of the UN system, particularly through the substitution of Internal Combustion Engines (ICE).

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