

Zambia Development Agency — A Five-Agency Merger Aiming for One-Stop Investment Facilitation

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Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Zambia merged five agencies into the ZDA in 2007 as a one-stop investment and export shop; in Q1 2026 it recorded \$1.69bn in actualised investment (71% of target) and 9,576 jobs (34% of target), with only \$16.4bn of \$92bn committed since 2021 actually materialising.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	1/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-21

[Zambia Development Agency \(ZDA\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-21

[ZDA: Zambia Records USD 1.69 Billion in Actualised Investments and 9,576 Jobs in Q1 2026](#) — accessed 2026-08-21

[ZNBC: ZDA Records US\\$1.69 Billion Investments in Q1](#) — accessed 2026-08-21

[Zambia Monitor: Zambia claims \\$16.4 billion investments actualized, over 109,000 jobs created in five years](#) — accessed 2026-08-21

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