



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Konza Technopolis



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# Land FAQs

## **1. Can I own land within Konza Technopolis?**

There will be no individual land ownership in Konza. However, the land will be leased for the specific land uses as stipulated in our master plan.

## **2. What are the costs of owning land in Konza?**

Since there is no individual ownership of land in Konza, there will be no costs of purchasing land. However, lease rates and other taxes will apply at an amount to be determined by the Authority. The Authority reserves the right to revise the land rates in Konza.

## **3. What is the size of land that one can hold in Konza?**

There are no fixed sizes for individual parcels. The sizes for the parcels of land will differ depending on the planned land use as is stipulated in our Master Plan.

## **4. How long is the lease period?**

The current land lease period for Kenya applies for the Konza Technopolis parcels.

## **5. Is the lease transferable?**

The land lease for Konza is only transferable under special circumstances that will have to be approved by the Authority.

## **6. If I want to lease land in Konza, who should I contact?**

All you need to do is register a written Expression of Interest on investing in Konza with the Authority. Your interest will be evaluated when the ground is set ready for constructions. This document should furnish the Authority with:

- Who you are
- What you do
- Track record of achievements
- Certifications
- The intended investment

## **7. Are there any special requirements for me to be qualified for land lease?**

There are no special requirements. However, compliance to Authority's requirements and the Kenyan Laws and Regulations is mandatory.

## Off-site

### 1. What is the 10 kilometre radius Buffer Zone around the Technopolis?

The 10 kilometre radius Buffer Zone refers to the privately owned areas of controlled investment which are adjacent to the Technopolis. Currently, any further subdivision of land or constructions in these areas has been frozen.

### 2. How can I know that I am on the Buffer Zone?

The approved Buffer Zone plan by the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development shows the areas that are considered as within the Buffer Zone. The plan can be obtained at the Ministry of Land, Housing and Urban Development or at the KoTDA website ([www.konzacity.go.ke](http://www.konzacity.go.ke)).

### 3. What are the regulations governing the development or subdivision of the parcels of land within the Buffer Zone for purposes of selling, inheritance, renting, or farming?

At the moment, any further subdivision of land or construction has been frozen by the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development. Any such development should seek for approval first.

### 4. If in the future, my land is consumed up by the Authority in expanding the Technopolis. Will I get refunded?

The Technopolis lies within the confines of the 5,000 acres of land. Any expansion of the Technopolis by the Authority in future will follow the legal procedures.

## Finance FAQs

### 1. What is Konza Technopolis?

Konza Technopolis is a sustainable, world-class technology hub and a major economic driver for the nation, with a vibrant mix of businesses, workers, residents and urban amenities. It aims at strategically positioning Kenya as a global destination for Business Process Outsourcing and Information Technology Enables Services (BPO/ITES) and propels Kenya into a mid-income economy by 2030.

### 2. How can I invest in Konza?

Konza offers a wide array of investment opportunities to investors. Our investors are drawn both locally and internationally. These are individuals, corporate,

companies, partners, and Governments who have expressed interest in being part of this mega Project. We have various investment models that are best suited for you, all you need is to get in touch with us through our [contacts](#).

### **3. How much do I need to invest in Konza?**

There is no set amount to qualify you as an investor. Konza is a city with a vibrant mix of business opportunities, workers, residents, and urban amenities. This means that our investors are drawn all across the economic pyramid.

### **4. What are the investment opportunities in Konza?**

The investment opportunities in Konza include but are not limited to the following opportunities:

- Science Parks, Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) centre, Data centre
- Commercial office space, and hotels
- Real estate residential properties
- Large scale commercial shopping malls e.g. Mall of Africa
- Recreation and entertainment venues e.g. Sports stadium
- Film and Media centre
- Financial District
- Community support services including:
  - Health clinics,
  - Green space,
  - Educational institutions,
  - Houses of worship e.t.c.
- University, Research Centre and Convection Centre
- Transportation Infrastructure
- World Class ICT infrastructure
- Utilities, Roads, and other infrastructure

### **5. How do I channel my resources for investing in Konza?**

Send us your expression of interest on your preferred area of investment. This should detail the following information:

- Who you are
- What you do
- Track record of achievements
- Certifications
- The intended investment

We will evaluate your interest and communicate to you on how best you can channel your resources and be part of the Project. However, Public-Private Partnerships is encouraged for some specific areas e.g. infrastructure

## **6. What incentives do I get when I choose Konza?**

Discussions are ongoing with the National Treasury go have the following incentives to investors in Konza, here are the part of the proposed incentives:

### Potential Financial Incentives

- Corporate Income tax exemption
- Stamp Duty exemption
- Employment-based grants
- Tax policy to encourage headquarters establishment
- VAT and Duty-free import of materials for business purposes
- Revisions to existing depreciation policies

### Potential Regulatory Policies

- Expedited company incorporation
- One-stop shop
- Single window clearance
- Easing of restrictions on foreign ownership and employment

## **7. Who should I contact if I still have more queries?**

More queries can be channeled to us through the following addresses:

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