A "**premium rated service**" is a service defined as premium rated in the Numbering Plan Regulations published in Government Gazette 39861, which means a service provided by means of premium rated numbers where the charge is higher than standard rate.

Premium SMS Billing is a specific type of interactive SMS service that allows consumers to pay for something they want (content, services etc.) simply by sending a message to a short code, or by replying to an incoming SMS message.

The money is then deducted from the consumer's phone bill or air time prior to receiving any content

Any keyword sent to the short code will be billed at a premium rate including errors.

The service must only be used with the permission of the bill-payer.

Users must ensure the handset compatibility according to the nature of the service they are requesting.