

GUIDE ON HOW TO USE THE ZERO RATED SERVICES AVAILABLE AT LIRA UNIVERSITY

What is a Zero-rated service?

This is a practice of providing access to web-based University applications by telecom companies without financial cost to the users. This works by permitting only certain websites as agreed upon by the institution.

The following is a list of websites which can be accessed using zero-rated services.

1. University Website – www.lirauni.ac.ug
2. E-Learning Platform – <https://thebee.lirauni.ac.ug>
3. Big Blue Button – <https://meetings.lirauni.ac.ug>
4. Student Portal – <https://student.lirauni.ac.ug>
5. Aims – <https://staff.lirauni.ac.ug>
6. Library – <https://library.lirauni.ac.ug>

The list of websites can be accessed from any mtn sim-card with mobile data enabled on a smart phone, mifi or router as shown below;

Note:

- No mtn bundles are required on your sim-card.
- Turn off your **VPN app** as it shall interfere with the connection.
- Your network signal on your phone or routing device also determines your successful connection to the zero-rated services available at Lira University that is to say; make sure that your phone network signal is on 4g / 3g /2g to connect successfully to the websites using the zero-rated services as shown below.

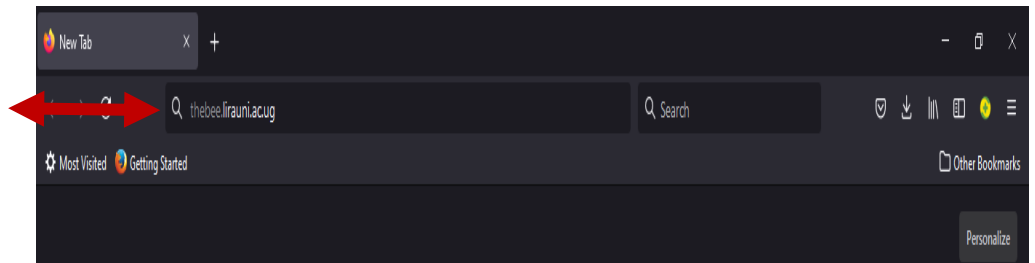
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4G 

Your phone should have good signal strength

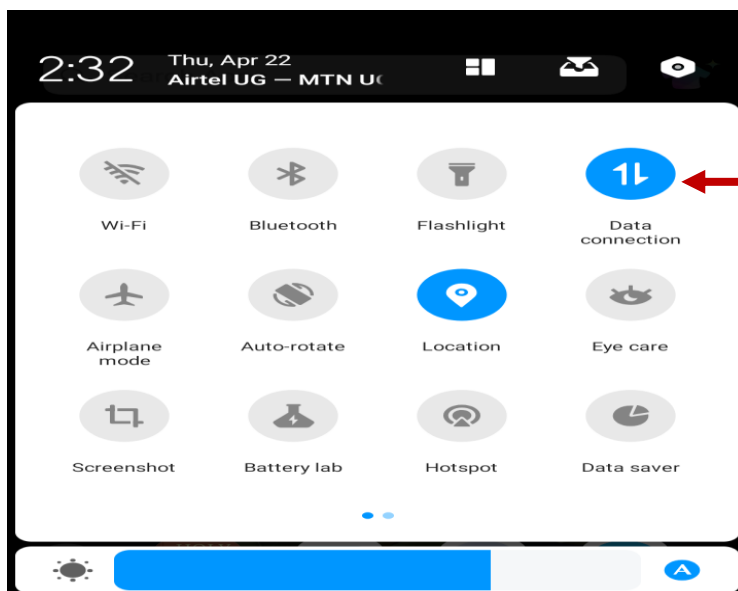
- After enabling your mtn data connection, go to your browser i.e., Chrome or Firefox and type into the address bar, the address of the sites mentioned above. **Avoid using search engines like Google** instead, we strongly recommend the use of a browser to successfully access these services.

*Type into the address bar
the address of the sites
mentioned above*



To connect your devices to the University's zero-rated services, choose any of the options below;

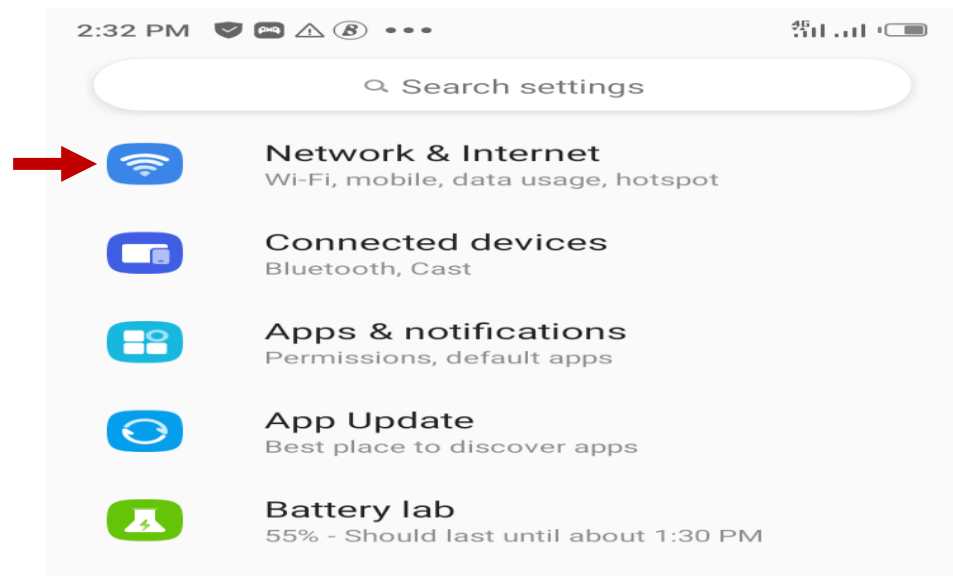
- 1. Use a smartphone with an mtn sim-card and turn on your data connection on your smartphone.**



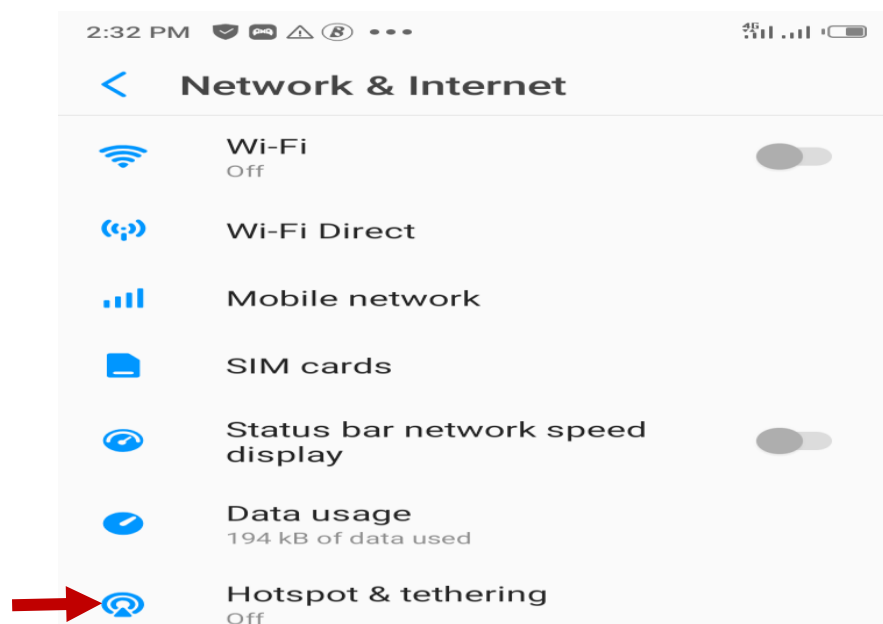
*Turn on your data
connection on your
smartphone*

2. Tether or use hotspot with a smart phone to other smart devices like laptops, tablets or any other devices. In order to hotspot with a smart phone to other devices, follow the steps below;

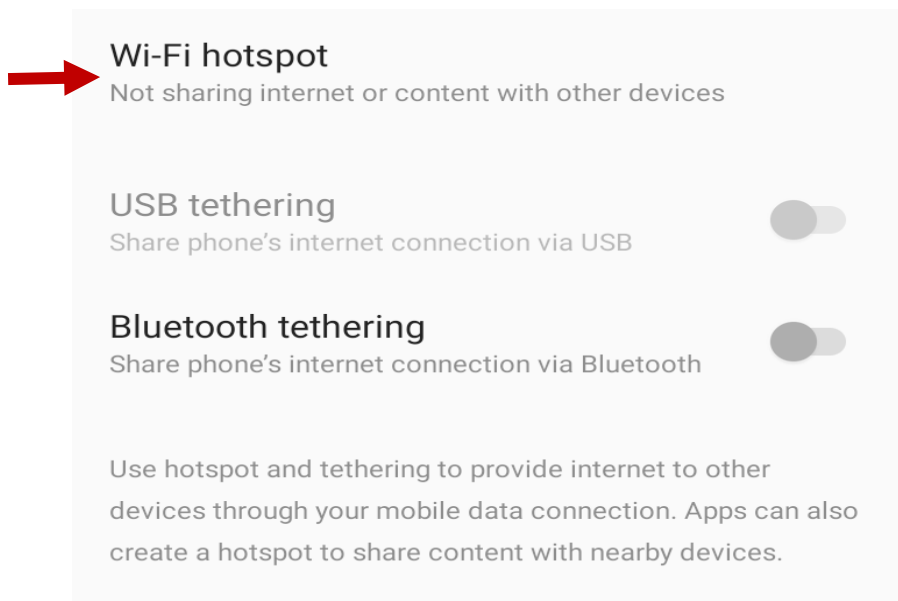
- Under your smartphone settings, click on the Network & Internet menu.



- Under the Network & Internet menu, select the Hotspot & Tethering option



- **Under Hotspot & tethering, select the Wi-Fi hotspot option**



- **Under Wi-Fi hotspot, turn on the hotspot. Then type in a simple name and password for your hotspot to access it on other smart devices.**



3. Use an mtn sim-card in a routing device

Examples of routing devices



Figure 1: Mifi



Figure 2: Router

- **Insert an mtn sim-card in your routing device for example mifi or router. Switch on the routing device and connect your smart devices (smart phone, laptop or tablet) to access these services.**