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'Govt fuel not for private use'



By Guardian Reporter

PRESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan has cautioned police on illegal use of fuel from depots for private business activities, warning that the government will not tolerate such behaviour.

Officiating at the start of work meeting for regional police commanders and senior officers from headquarters at the Tanzania Police School (TPS) in Moshi yesterday, the president said she had all the evidence that officers were taking fuel for their own interests.

Such officers were refuelling on business vehicles like commuter buses and private cars while police field vehicles are often found with no fuel, disrupting daily operations and patrols, she said.

She expressed satisfaction with efforts by the Inspector General of Police (IGP) to ensure that fuel funds were going to districts, hinting that there is information that districts are not supplied with fuel as senior officers take the fuel for business activities.

She said the government has been spending a lot of money to purchase the fuel for the purpose of serving citizens but inappropriately the fuel ends up in the hands of dishonest officials.

"We will not tolerate this huge mistake. IGP, go and supervise to ensure that the fuel reaches the targeted areas," she emphasized, similarly pointing at misuse of the money in the funeral fund. A majority of officers do not benefit from it when such challenges occur, including death.

The fund is meant to support police force staff, but expenditures are conducted outside the rules, she said, referring to the annual report of the Controller and Auditor General (CAG) who requested a special audit on the fund.

She cautioned against seeking for or accepting sponsorships for work meetings as this can weaken its operations. The meeting at Moshi has six sponsors from both the public and private sector, "and these are human beings who will one

Commander-in-Chief President Samia Suluhu Hassan opens a Working Session for senior police officers from across the country, including regional police commanders, at the Tanzania Police School in Moshi municipality yesterday. Right is Home Affairs minister Hamad Yussuf Masauni. Photo: State House

Northern pastoralists this year alter grazing migration patterns

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

NOMADIC pastoralist communities in the northern zone seem to have revised their movement patterns and dates in view of rainfall and grazing areas hazards tied up with effects of climate change.

Maasai cattle keepers at Longido and Monduli reportedly started moving from their locations as early as May.

This actually happens to be four months earlier, compared to usual migration time starting in September, moving with their livestock in search of water and pastures. This time the pastoralists seem to be fleeing drought, as average rainfall for the area dropped to less than 50 millimeters during the heavy rains period, a district council official said.

Ally Msangi of the Longido District Council says the usual rainfall expectation is 500mm to 900mm of precipitation in a year, while this year the district weather unit rain gauged 45mm of rain, a shocking drop by any standards.

The long rains commence at mid-March and continue intermittently all the way to early June but this year March to April rains failed, so the Maasai in Longido and Monduli started to migrate in May.

Some took their cattle across the border into Kenya and others went south to other districts and regions, expecting pastures back home to be replenished.

Musa Juma, executive director of Media Aid for Indigenous and Pastoralist Community (MAIPAC) lobby, says that when pastoralists move out other people invade the vacant

MPs: NHC ought to collect debts, restart big projects

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

THE National Housing Corporation (NHC) has been told to increase the speed of debt collection from defaulting debtors to enable it implement big projects.

Jerry Silaa, the chairman of the Public Investment and Capital (PIC) standing committee of the National Assembly says until December 2021 tenants owed the public real estate body a whopping 26bn/-.

In a media briefing, the committee chairman said here yesterday that along with the good work being done by the organization, the speed of recovering the money must be increased.

Instructions given by the committee last year were fully implemented by NHC, like pursuing construction in projects like the NHC Kawe City and NHC Morocco Square residential tower after they stalled for a number of years, he said.

NHC has come up with strategies that the committee find satisfactory, for instance using profits to make investments, which the committee approved on inspecting the outlays for new or existing projects," he said.

Dr Sophia Kongela, the NHC board chairperson, said instructions given by the committee were to build houses at low cost and ensure that taxes are collected.

Nehemia Mchechu, the director general, said that debts are being collected and the

“citing 90m/- units and down to 50m/- that will benefit many people, with each range of apartments constructed in specified areas, from prime areas to more centrally placed zones

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Dar targets Africa's bread basket status ahead of key policy forum



By Guardian Reporter

INVESTMENT, Industry and Trade minister Dr Ashatu Kijaji (pictured) has called for concerted public and private sector actions to take Tanzania to the centre of Africa and global food trade.

She was speaking at the Tanzania Agribusiness Investment Summit 2022 (TAI Summit 2022) themed "Grow, Nourish, Reward - Bold Actions for Resilient Food Systems in Tanzania" in Dar es Salaam

yesterday.

The local event was convened to prepare for one of the largest global agriculture forums, the Africa Green Revolution Forum (AGRF) 2022, where the minister sought to lay the framework for a national plan ahead of the AGRF Summit in Kigali next week, as President Samia Suluhu Hassan is expected to be a keynote speaker.

The ministry in collaboration with Agriculture and Livestock ministries where the Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC) coordinated the liaisons and helped to organize the one-day TAI Summit 2022, with experts from public institutions and the private sector being involved, with civil society and donor agencies.

Dr Apollon Nwafor, the AGRA vice president led the AGRA delegation to the local policy

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“Police crackdown against crime led to arrests of those with khat, marijuana and illicit liquor, government trophies, jealousy killings or violence, excessive drinking and land conflicts lifted up the reported cases

day conduct offenses and make it difficult for you to work on them," she told the gathering.

Lack of training for police officers was a major cause for ethical challenges in the force, a failing she said will be corrected. The government has already issued 11bn/- to facilitate force training, directing responsible colleges and authorities to improve curriculums to align with information and communication technology (ICT) revolution, she stated.

President Samia asked the force to control unregulated sale of uniforms as they are often used by other law agencies like the Fire and Rescue Force.

IGP Camillus Wambura said that 1,844 cases lacking satisfactory evidence to be referred to courts have been withdrawn, while 2,117 others were being adjudged.

Statistics regarding serious crimes show that cases thereof were on the rise for the January to June period this year, he said, affirming that cases rose from 24,848 in the preceding year (2021) to 27,848, a 11.2 percent increase.

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Senior police officers from across Tanzania, including regional police commanders, follow remarks by Commander-in-Chief President Samia Suluhu Hassan as she opened a working session for them at the Tanzania Police School in Moshi municipality yesterday. Photo: State House

By Guardian Correspondent, Moshi

MHB shareholders urge bank to invest more in boosting marketing strategies

OVER 300 shareholders of Mwangi Hakika Bank Limited (MHB) met over the weekend to discuss the financial institution's development and advising to invest more in marketing strategies and increase agents.

Zukra Ally, bank's board member said that the meeting was aimed to strengthen the existing relationship between the shareholders and the bank, inform the shareholders about the bank's development so that they can evaluate and identify challenges and come up with solutions.

"This was the second meeting with the shareholders of MHB, where the first meeting was held last year and was attended by various shareholders, with the aim of strengthening their relationship with the bank's shareholders. These kinds of meetings have the impetus to gather shareholders together and maintain their unity and solidarity," she stated.

Prior to the meeting, there was a seminar with the shareholders, where they could express their opinions, compliments and ask for clarification on the development of the bank in the coming years.

Zukra said that provided an investment education in the form of shares explaining more about shareholders' dividends, purchase and sale of shares.

She said: "In today's world, companies with shares are the most effective means of investing in business, as long as there is a strong board, management of a professional in the relevant business, as Mwangi Hakika Bank does, so don't hesitate to put your shares."

Josephat Shirima, one of the bank's shareholders said: "I would like to congratulate all the management of

Mwangi bank, this event shows that you recognise our contribution, I would also request if there is a possibility that one of the branches should be in the name of Cleopa Msuya (consultant of the bank) to show that we recognise his contribution to this bank."

Eng Ridhiwani Mringo, bank's chairperson of the board of directors explained the income and expenditure for the year ending 31 December 2021, implementation of the business plan for the past year, and appointed board members for the year 2021/2022.

Proposals from shareholders were discussed where some of them suggested the bank to add more agents as well as invest in marketing strategies to attract more customers.

Cleopa Msuya, the retired Prime Minister and the bank's consultant said: "When we started this bank we

had the goal of becoming a community bank, let me commend the efforts of the board for the great work they have done and let us continue working hard so as to achieve all the intended goals."

He urged the bank's team to continue creating new services to serve both large and small-scale enterprises and individuals.

Leodgar Haule, Bank of Tanzania (BoT) representative praised the bank for performing within a short period of time making the capital to reach the stage of becoming a commercial bank.

"I would like to congratulate everyone, especially the leadership of MHB along with all the shareholders for the efforts you are making to ensure that the bank progresses, so continue working hard as per the country's laws," he said.

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event, marked as the launch of the 2022 agribusiness forum in Kigali.

The minister said Tanzania's vision is to be a global food supplier and a market leader in agro-industrialization, with that achievement likely to be realized with the public and private sectors working together to benefit smallholder farmers.

She urged agro-sector firms to pitch agribusiness venture proposals at the AGRF agribusiness deal rooms to grow the sector, asserting that Tanzania wants to serve the African market and the global market for good crops in particular.

President Samia approved the most significant increase in annual agriculture budget outlays to cover ambitious irrigation and staple grain inputs subsidy projects, taking allocations from 294bn/- to 9540bn/-

"The vision is for Tanzania to provide local, continental and global food security with the nation's immense God-given resources," the minister underlined.

Dr Nwafor, who handles policy and state capability at AGRF, praised the government for prioritizing food systems transformations. AGRA would continue to support government efforts to uplift the sector, he said.

He pointed at the agro-industrialization vision through the Tanzania Agribusiness Development Flagship (TAIDF), which

aims at mobilizing investments in agro-industrialization.

"President Samia Suluhu Hassan has shown outstanding commitment to creating a sustainable food system in Tanzania," he said, noting that Tanzania was ready to make agriculture the driver of economic growth, highlighting efforts for food self-sufficiency and supplying regional food markets.

"Last year in 2021, the president of AGRA, Dr Agnes Kalibata led the UN Food Systems summit, looked at Africa's leadership in driving food systems transformations. Tanzanian food systems transformation has accelerated drastically," he stated.

The summit shows that Tanzania is ready to foster the agro-sector as a driver of economic growth, he said, urging sustained efforts at ending dependency on food imports.

Statistics show that the continent spends an average of \$55bn to \$60bn on food imports each year, while Tanzania and others have excess maize, rice and other crops, or horticulture, he stated.

The deal room is an annual matchmaking platform initiated by the African Green Revolution Forum (AGRF), which brings together capital seekers and providers.

Entrepreneurs in the agricultural and agribusiness sectors link with upstream and downstream supply chain linkages for access to finance and market entry solutions to support their growth objectives, he added.

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areas.

When they return and begin reclaiming the plots, there is at times a series of land conflicts, an observation made at the launch of a new nature-based conservation initiative here early this week.

The new drive, 'Forest, Water and Environment Conservation: Using Indigenous Knowledge,' sets out to address climate change problems using nature based solutions.

MAIPAC is a focus organization for the initiative, in partnership with Longido, Ngorongoro and Monduli district councils, the Tanzania Natural Resource Forum (TNRF) and the Civic and Legal Aid Organization (CILAO), he said, noting that the project is supported by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) via its Global Environment Fund (GEF) small grants program and the department of environment, nature conservation and nuclear safety in the Federal Republic of Germany.

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parastatal was pursuing low interest loans for relatively affordable houses.

Apart from Kawe and Dodoma projects, a big plan is to be launched soon for the Samia housing scheme for apartments targeting medium salaried individuals, he said.

"The goal is to be able to sell them for 150m/- to 180m/- in actual construction costs," he said, citing 90m/- units and down to 50m/- that will benefit many people, with each range of apartments constructed in specified areas, from prime areas to more centrally placed zones.

Investors from Egypt arrive in Ruvuma for investing in production of yellow corn

By Guardian Correspondent, Songea

INVESTORS from Egypt have arrived in Ruvuma Region with an interest to invest in the production of yellow corn due to the high demand of the crop in the Arab country.

Speaking after receiving the investors, Ruvuma Regional Commissioner Colonel Laban Thomas said that they are privileged to be visited by the investors and assured them of close support in their new investments.

He said the yellow corn is a special crop usually for animal food production, where the investors have promised to bring quality yellow corn seeds and educate farmers to become big producers of the crop.

"We are still continuing discussions with the investors based on seed laws because the country isn't allowed to allow importation of GMO seeds as we are protecting the natural seeds we have," he said.

He said, once they reach an agreement and the procedures are completed, they will inform the public.

Head of translation from Egypt, Bassem Maher Allattial said that they have visited Tanzania so as to explore opportunities and be able to initiate yellow corn production for export in the Arab country which needs more than one million tonnes of yellow corn per year.

Bassem said they arrived in Tanzania due to the advice issued by the Egyptian President who has instructed them to invest in Africa, especially in Tanzania, where they are determined to buy tonnes of yellow corn every year.

The investors have visited all five districts of Ruvuma Region including Namtumbo, Tunduru, Mbinga, Nyasa and Songea where they witnessed various investment opportunities in the agricultural and mining sectors.

Wael Ibrahim Ahmed, one of the investors said that he is very excited to come and invest in Tanzania which has generous and loving people.

He said the cooperation between the two countries will bring great development and eventually contribute to the economic progress of the people.



Vice President Dr Philip Mpango has a quick word with Singapore's Non-Resident High Commissioner to Tanzania, Douglas Foo, at Chamwino State House in Dodoma city yesterday. Story on Page 3. Photo: VPO

Z'bar improves ease of doing business

By Guardian Reporter, Zanzibar

ZANZIBAR government has put in place initiatives aimed at improving the ease of doing business in the Isles to attract more investors.

Isles' Minister of state in the President's Office (Labour and, Economy and Investment) Mudrick Ramadhan Soraga made the remarks in here yesterday when opening the Zanzibar and Iran business conference.

Among the initiatives, the minister mentioned changes of laws, policy

and service delivery improvement including the establishment of a one stop centre and the Zanzibar Investment Authority (ZIA).

He said the government was also improving infrastructure such as construction of roads and electricity connections to increase the national grid to 150 megawatts.

The minister called upon the investors from Iran to invest in the islands due to the availability of multiple opportunities.

Soraga said that the government

was ready to cooperate with the businessmen in expanding investment in different sectors, adding: "There are many opportunities in Zanzibar including the blue economy which involves effective use of the sea for development."

Seyed Mohammad Aghamiri, Deputy Minister of Agriculture from Iran, said his country is ready to invest in island in different sectors. "Iran is ready to invest in agriculture, livestock keeping, fishing and producing livestock vaccination among others," he said.

He added that Iran has given out the opportunity to the stakeholders to be trained about the production of livestock vaccination and asked participants of the conference to build strong business relationships.

Permanent Secretary in the President's Office labour, economy and investment, Dr Habiba Hassan Omary, said the coming of investors was very important since it will help to market the opportunities of the two countries.

"The conference has benefits between the two sides whereby we will be able to use the opportunities in our country so as to make an investment decision", she said.



NMB Bank Plc CEO Ruth Zaipuna (2nd-L) exchanges greetings with Inspector General of Police Camilius Wambura (2nd-R) when he paid a visit to the bank's pavilion at an exhibition held on the sidelines of a meeting of senior police officers at the Police Academy in Moshi municipality. Left is the bank's head of Government Business, Vicky Bishubo. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

'Tanzania is ready to cooperate with Singapore in various sectors'

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

VICE President Dr Philip Mpango yesterday said Tanzania is ready to cooperate with Singapore in various sectors—port, health, industry, education, agriculture, business, blue economy, and IT through investment in electronic equipment.

Dr Mpango made the remarks when he met and held talks with the ambassador of Singapore to Tanzania, Douglas Foo in the capital city, Dodoma.

He said the sixth phase government has continued to improve the environment investment and business in this country including cooperation with nations on various issues and ensuring the existing policies are stable and unchanging.

The VP said that the government has focused on improving resources people, including ensuring that primary and secondary education is provided free of charge, building education infrastructure with an emphasis on science education, especially for female students.

He also said that investments are being made in the health sector, access to clean and safe water, infrastructure construction roads to connect regions and villages, ensure access to energy along with the construction of a modern railway.

Dr Mpango also welcomed investors from Singapore to invest in various sectors in the country including tourism infrastructure, investing in friendly industries and technologies to increase the value of agricultural products as well as minerals.

He also said due to the success achieved in Singapore in the port sector, there is a need to increase the cooperation that will facilitate the training of executives.

Singaporean Ambassador to Tanzania Douglas Foo said his country hopes to increase cooperation with Tanzania in various areas, especially business and investment, adding that due to the country being a small area for such agricultural activities there is great productivity in cooperation

with Tanzania in the sector which will enable the value of crops to be increased and reach the country's market and other Asian countries.

He has also invited Tanzania to cooperate with Singapore in the tourism sector, fishing, and the blue economy in general.

Foo noted that the country's industrial sector contributes 20 percent to the national income, so it is already there to cooperate with Tanzania by establishing production factories as well to provide technical education in this country that will increase productivity in those industries.

He also said that Singapore has continued to invest in technology which simplifies the work and the monitoring of various issues including health and educational issues, adding that the country has placed emphasis on environmental protection including burning large fines for environmental polluters while hoping to completely eliminate the production of climate change by 2050.



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Parliamentary Committee issues directive to implement Liganga, Mchuchuma project

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

THE Parliamentary Standing Committee for Industry, Trade and Environment has instructed the government to start implementing the Liganga and Mchuchuma project and to pay compensation to the people affected by the project.

Committee chairman, David Kihenzile made the directives here yesterday shortly after meeting with the officials of Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade.

Kihenzile said that the project has been 124 years ago and has been sung without being implemented.

"This project should start now and we have directed the people to be compensated this year. They planned to do a review so that later they start paying, now we have only advised them that if possible by December the government should find a way to get money to pay the people, because for a long time the people have reserved those areas," he said.

He said the mission of the committee is to see that the projects are now being implemented, noting that the government is implementing 17 strategic projects of which three are in the committee including the project.

He said that there is also a project of the Arusha-based Lake Natron Soda Ash Project and a project of a commercial free zone in Bagamoyo.

When asked about the committee's statement on the increase in the price of various products, Kihenzile said it was not part of their discussion but they as MPs have advised the government to put in place strategies to lower the prices of goods to help the people.

Deputy Minister for Investment, Industry and Trade, Exaudi Kigahe, said the ministry has submitted information on the implementation of three strategic projects to

the committee, including Liganga and Mchuchuma.

"The emphasis of the committee was on Mchuchuma and Liganga which are long-term and we think now is the right time to implement this project so that if we get iron here in the country, the price would be lower and increase the people's

income," he said.

He said they are looking at how to pay compensation to the people of Ludewa and get a smart investor to invest to develop the project.

"Regarding Lake Natron Soda Ash project, we've completed all the procedures, we are currently doing to get

the document for that area, but we will announce investors to invest in that area," he said.

He also said that the investment area of Bagamoyo is still reviewing its plan to see how to finish paying the compensation and find an investor where the area they intended is Bagamoyo Port.



NOTICE OF THE HARADALI CAPITAL LIMITED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 24th OF SEPTEMBER 2022 AT CORNERSTONE PARTNERS OFFICE UNIT 96J KILIMANI ROAD, ADA ESTATE KINONDONI

Notice is hereby given that the 9th Annual General Meeting of Haradali Capital Limited Shareholders will be held at Cornerstone partners Ltd Office's at Kinondoni Ada Estate Unit 96J on Saturday, **24th September 2022 at 10:00am.**

The Agenda will be as follows:

1. Notice and Quorum.
2. Adoption of the Agenda.
3. To Receive, Consider and Adopt the Director's Report and Audited Financial Statements for the 12 months ended 31st December, 2021.
4. To Receive and Adopt the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Operations for the 12 months ended 31st December 2021
5. To transact any other business appropriate to be dealt with at the Annual General Meeting.

A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf in provisions of the Articles of the Company.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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29th August 2022**



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Provision of Catering Services in Makere processing centre

Date: 15 August 2022
Ref: KSL/IOM/337/22

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is an intergovernmental organization established in 1951 and is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits both migrants and society.

In the framework of Provision of Catering Service in Makere processing centre, Makere-Kasulu district-Kigoma region in accordance with the General Conditions of Contract and the Terms of Reference as set out in this Request for Proposal (RFP).

Below list of documents are valuable resources to enable you to submit your proposal:

Instruction to Bidders:

1. Instructions to Service Providers
2. Technical Proposal Standard Forms
3. Financial Proposal - Standard Forms
4. Terms of Reference
5. Contract Form

If you are interested in submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, please prepare your proposal in accordance with the requirements and procedure as set out in this RFP and submit it by the deadline for submission of proposals on or before **15 September 22**

Request for proposal documents can also be available at below sites:

IOM website: <https://tanzania.iom.int/do-business-us-procurement>

IOM Dar es salaam: Slipway Road, Off Chole Road Msasani Peninsula, Plot No. 1365, P. O. Box 9270, Dar es Salaam 1.

IOM Kasulu: Bogwe secondary road - opposite to Kasulu Teacher's College, P.O.BOX 303, Kasulu district We look forward to receiving your proposal.

The enclosed RFP form shall be submitted in original and duplicated copy and must be delivered by hand on or before the deadline of the RFP submission date. The currency of the RFP and figures should be clearly indicated to avoid ambiguity. RFP that do not fulfill this requirement will be disqualified.

1. RFP submitted after the closing date will not be considered.
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UNHCR hails govt's move to issue birth certificates to refugee children

By Getrude Mbago

THE United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi has hailed the government's move to identify, register and issue birth certificates to refugee children in various camps in the country, something which helps protect rights of the group.

He said the efforts will help confer important legal protections on the children and reduce the risk of statelessness, while also providing a form of identity when they return to their country of origin.

Addressing journalists in Dar es Salaam last Friday soon after concluding a three-day official visit in the country, the UNHCR boss noted that every child has the right of identification and registration so as to receive all the required services for him/her to grow and achieve full potential.

He asserted that it is crucial for the children to be able to use their birth certificates as identification documents when they return to their home countries.

"This is something to applaud, UNHCR sees this as an important step and we thank the government of Tanzania for implementing this initiative as it helps the children to live happily while accessing all their rights," he said.

He said the UN refugee organisation in collaboration with partners, will continue implementing various strategies to further promote children protection in the camps while also ensuring that they have access to all basic rights including education and

health.

The government through the Registration, Insolvency and Trusteeship Agency (RITA) in collaboration with partners such as UNICEF, Tigo and the Canadian government is implementing a gender-responsive simplified birth registration programme that aims to reach all under-five children across the country.

Under the system, children are registered and given birth certificates at a short time in ward offices and health centres compared to the previous time when parents had to travel to reach district officers to get the service.

According to RITA, since the programme commenced in 2013, a total of 77 million children under the age of five have been registered and given birth certificates across 23 regions in Tanzania Mainland.

RITA also implements another programme focusing on school children where a good number of children have been registered and given birth certificates.

Recently, the Minister for Constitution and Legal Affairs, Dr Damas Ndumbaro said the government was implementing a special strategic plan to ensure that all children in the country are registered and given birth certificates by 2025.

He said this in Dar es Salaam when the country joined other African nations to mark the 5th Africa Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) Day which is marked annually on August 10.

He said the major aim is to reach every corner of the country and ensure that every Tanzanian is registered and given a birth certificate.

Ministry of Health welcomes Indian Pharmaceutical firms to explore possible investment opportunities

By Correspondent James Kandoya

HEALTH Deputy Minister Dr Godwin Mollel has invited Indian Pharmaceutical companies to explore potential investment opportunities in the country to develop the ever demanding sector.

Speaking yesterday in Dar es Salaam at the launching of the East Africa Medical and Healthcare International Exhibition, the Deputy Minister said the move will help to improve the ever demanding sector.

Dubbed 'Pharma Tech East Africa' the platform is meant for industry players to connect, collaborate, explore and network. It is an opportunity to display the latest products and services as well as comparing prices and quality.

Dr Mollel said investment in pharmaceutical industries will not only create employment but also reduce the prices of medicine compared to those imported.

He said currently, the Medical Store Department (MSD) procures medicines and other medical supplies directly from the manufacturers where according to him, it faces stiff competition. "I have been informed that the volume of drugs imported from India has significantly dropped. I wish to take the opportunity to invite the pharmaceutical companies from India to open new factories to access the medical and pharmaceutical market directly," he said.

The deputy minister said investing in local pharmaceutical factories will change the medical and pharmacy business in the country, adding that the government was ready to collaborate with investors to produce profits.

According to him, the government has reduced the number of patients referred to India for further medical treatment by 97 percent, encouraging

them to think of investing locally in state-of-the-art hospitals such as Apollo.

Indian High Commissioner to Tanzania, Binaya Srikanta Pradhan said that he was impressed to see more than 60 pharmaceutical companies attending the exhibition.

He said in 2022, between 57 and 60 percent of medicines used in Tanzania were imported from Indian pharmaceutical companies, signifying the quality of medicines the country manufactures.

Pradhan added that India has remained a place for medical tourism and supplier of medicines and equipment to the Tanzania government for decades.

President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Tanzania (PST) Fadhili Hezekiah said the exhibition was a platform that was going to change the healthcare system in Tanzania.

"The exhibition provides an immense opportunity to capture the untapped market of the East African Region through Tanzania. It is one of the shows in the umbrella of upcoming shows being organised in the East African Belt," he added.

He said the event hosted medical professionals, pharmacies, hospitals, health organizations, importers and exporters, decision makers and medical practitioners of the East African Region in Tanzania.

On Tuesday this week, Apollo Hospitals, one of Asia's foremost and trusted integrated private healthcare services providers, entered Tanzania by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Eclipse Group, Africa to set up a cancer care centre in Dar es Salaam.

Under the partnership, Apollo will provide healthcare services with advanced cancer care treatments.



Ummu Nderiananga, Deputy Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Policy, Parliament and Coordination), presents Disaster Management Bill before the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Constitution and Legal Affairs in Dodoma city yesterday. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

TMDA reminds drugs dealers to abide by drugs expiry dates

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

TANZANIA Medicines and Medical Devices Authority (TMDA) in Southern Highlands Zone have reminded traders in drugs and medicines to abide by the expiry dates of the drugs to protect the health of the people against expired medicines.

The call was made here yesterday

by TMDA manager in the Southern Highlands Zone, Anitha Mshighati, who said they expect to institute inspections in every pharmacy to enforce the order in regard to expiry dates of the drugs being sold.

"Traders should adhere to regulations and procedures issued by TMDA in regard to sale of expired or prohibited drugs," she added.

She added that apart from the planned crackdown on pharmacies, she stressed on traders to have an electronic invoice copy of the consignment, as well as permits from other registration institutions.

She said they are also calling on the drug dispensing outlets to make sure they fill the customer's registration form for submission to TMDA in order

to get the identification number and password.

"We are calling on drug dispensing outlets to abide by legal procedures in regard to sale of human medicines as well as laws and regulations governing import of drugs to protect the health of the people," Mshighati said.

She said drugs are registered in order to protect users against negative effects.

She elaborated that all registered drugs have a shelf life of five years and in case they are not condemned, a trader can apply for the registration extension.



Hanang' district commissioner Janeth Mayanja busies herself doing some weeding in an onion farm at Endesh in Ishponga ward while on an inspection tour of an irrigation scheme at the weekend. Photo: Correspondent Gift Thadey

By Guardian Reporter

MINISTER for Livestock and Fisheries, Mashimba Ndaki has asked the ministry to collaborate with the Tanzania Agricultural Development Bank (TADB) to quickly implement the distribution of loans to fishermen in the country.

Ndaki gave the order yesterday at the signing ceremony of the contract for the implementation of the project for the purchase of fishing boats and fish cages held at the prison hall in Dodoma.

The area has been allocated an amount of 60bn/- for the financial year 2022/2023, for fishermen through

Collaborate with TADB in issuing loans to fishermen - minister

cooperatives, groups of fishermen, groups of aquatic life promoters, private groups, and fishing companies.

He said the loan has no interest, so it is a unique opportunity for fish producers to increase production through the loans which will involve modern fishing tools including boats, nets, fish fry, engines, cages and inputs for seaweed farmers.

Ndaki said that the situation will help to increase the production of fish from the 497,567 tonnes produced per year in the country which does not

meet the needs in industries and food consumption. He said that fishermen and aquatic life growers should be excited about the opportunity that has been given by President Samia Suluhu Hassan, in order to take advantage of it.

The minister also asked the councils to encourage citizens to participate in large numbers and be honest in repaying loans.

Livestock and Fisheries Deputy Minister Abdallah Ulega said that the ministry will ensure that it supervises the lending of small and medium

fishermen and help young people become self-employed through fish farming and increase production so that the intended beneficiaries can get the loans.

He said, the government has given an amount of 100bn/- to the ministry of Livestock, of which 60bn/- is for fisheries and 40bn/- is for livestock.

"TADB has a big task to ensure that the loans go to the beneficiaries because many people have been complaining about the long chain of getting the loans, so the banks should be creative

to match the speed of reaching the people," he said.

Dr Christine Ishengoma, chairperson of the Standing Committee of the Parliament on Agriculture, Livestock and Water said the committee through the loans and fishing tools will help to increase the availability of fish in abundance for fishermen to increase their income.

She said the committee will continue to emphasize the availability of more loans for fishermen from TADB and monitor the implementation and

availability of funds in these projects.

TADB managing director, Frank Nyabundege said some of the bank's goals include contributing to food sufficiency and sustainable food security in the country and supporting the agricultural revolution from subsistence agriculture to commercial agriculture. "The bank is focused on all three sectors, namely agriculture, animal husbandry and fishing, so it has invested 5.3bn/- in cage fish farming to ensure a large investment in fishing in the country," he said.



Ruvuma regional commissioner Col Laban Thomas (L) has a word in Songea municipality yesterday with industrialist Bassem Maher Allattia, who is heading a delegation of visiting Egyptian investors. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Activists laud president's efforts in achieving 50:50 ratio for women leaders

By Correspondent Mary Kadoke

HUMAN rights activists have commended President Samia Suluhu Hassan's remarks, regarding achieving a ratio of 50 to 50 for women judges and leaders in the country.

They stated that President Samia's statement is encouraging and shows her readiness to implement international agreements, something that will continue to honor the country in the world.

On Monday while swearing in the Prisons Commissioner General and 21 judges of the High Court, she said that in the 17 months since she came into power, the selection of the leaders has reached 37 percent and that she will ensure that under her leadership they reach 50.

She said she found out that the three women have helped to reduce the complaints because they work while having the spirit of motherhood in them.

Legal and Human Rights Center (LHRC) executive director, Anna Henga has supported the statement that shows the continuation of her priority in gender issues since she came into power and how she shows an example of the implementation of these issues.

"I am pleased with the way the president pays attention to the issue of gender and its principles since he came into power. Despite leading, he has been providing a vision for the implementation of the issue in all aspects," she said.

"It is true that women have greater integrity than men, probably because of the responsibilities they have as women. I am also a woman and when it comes to integrity and respect, women are at the top," he said, adding: "Despite saying that, we should not separate men from the issue of 50 for 50 is good."

Henga said that the movement in the judicial field gives a great response

to the implementation of the Maputo agreement on women's rights (Maputo Protocol on Human Rights).

Tanzania Gender Network Programmes's (TGNP) officer Flora Ndaba said President Samia's statement is in line with her actions.

"President Samia has continued to manage her words to ensure that she not only fulfills the 50 by 50 goal but appoints professional women in various positions," she said.

Flora said that the implementation of President Samia's position to improve the functioning of the court by adding women judges is a continuation of her record-breaking appointment of women leaders to lead sensitive sectors, such as the appointment of the Minister of Defense and the National Building Force, Dr Stegomena Tax as well as the secretary of parliament Nenenlwa Mwiambi.

An independent lawyer, Mathew Kakamba said that it is time for women to respect the opportunities given to them by the president in various fields and that it will not make sense for people to be given those opportunities and fail to bring positive results.



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By Guardian Reporter

Z'bar 2nd VP instructs heads of schools in Pemba to be efficient

ZANZIBAR Second Vice President Hemed Suleiman Abdullah has instructed heads of schools in Pemba North Region to increase efficiency in their work so as to bring required outcomes in the education sector.

He said this when speaking with heads of schools from both public and private schools in Pemba North Region during their work meeting held at Wete hall.

The second Vice President said heads of schools are the top supervisor of the education sector and that they have a big role to play to bring positive outcomes in the sector.

He wanted the leaders to strengthen discipline and accountability which included supervising performance of teachers.

He also directed the ministry of education and vocational training which included ensuring that the teachers are paid on time so as to increase efficiency.

Hemed added that the government will continue paying all teachers their dues including holiday money and devolution.

He further called on the ministry of education to ensure the employment opportunities that have been announced by the government get competent teachers.

"The new employees should also be given housing and other essential

needs to enable them to fulfill their duties well," he added.

Minister for Education and Vocational Training, Lela Mohammed Mussa said the government is planning to conduct major rehabilitation in schools so as to create an attractive learning and teaching environment.

The heads of schools urged the government to work on the challenges facing schools, poor buildings, shortage of teachers and housing.

The Second Vice President also met doctors and nurses of Pemba North Region and called on them to increase

efficiency in serving people.

Zanzibar minister for Health Nassor Ahmed Mazurui said that the ministry is planning to send workers to study special courses such as radiation.

Mazurui said the government has decided to personalise some services including laboratories so as to strengthen health services and insisted on doctors implementing their responsibilities well.

Doctors on their side called on the government to improve the working environment which includes putting enough protective instruments for smooth service provision.

By Correspondent Theresia

Research, allocate resources to care for cancer patients, NIMR asks stakeholders

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NATIONAL Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) director general Prof Yunus Mgaya has asked policy makers and stakeholders in the health sector to use findings in planning resource allocation to care for cancer patients.

Speaking at a ceremony to award winners of the 'Beat Cancer Research initiative' organised by the Tanzania Comprehensive Cancer Project (TCCP) together with the Aga Khan University (AKU), Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Science (MUHAS) and NIMR.

Prof Yunus said that the TCCP is expected to be a rich source of learning for future programming and investments thus informing policy makers on cancer control in the country.

He further said that the beat cancer research initiative provides funding opportunities to researchers to conduct oncology research in Tanzanian context ultimately providing local solutions for local problems.

"This initiative is aiming at providing important information about disease trends, risk factors, outcome of treatment or public health interventions, functional abilities, patterns of care and health care costs and use," he said.

Nine young researchers were awarded after their proposals emerged winners in a competition.

Prof Mgaya said NIMR was available for help and guidance in their scientific carriers to ensure the youngsters excelled in their profession.

TCCP Project Manager Dr Harrison Chuwa said that this initiative is in line

with the fourth objective of TCCP aimed at developing joint research agenda and partnership.

He noted that the funding aims at getting innovative, creative, local contextualized and evidence based solutions that would bring comprehensive cancer services closer to the people.

It also intends to build the capacity of researchers to undertake evidence-based cancer studies thus increasing availability of cancer data through published cancer related research studies in Tanzania, he said.

Aga Khan Health Services' Chief Executive Officer Sisawo Konteh said that with the

rise of global rise in the prevalence of non communicable diseases, cancer is becoming an increasing important public health concern in the country which requires serious investment in strengthening the quality of each component of the cancer care, screening, and early detection, diagnosis, treatment, palliative care and survivorship in Tanzania.

Dr Blessing Mkenda Aga Khan senior resident general surgeon who was also awarded said that the task ahead was huge but also exciting saying the research will help to bring solutions towards the care of cancer patients in the country.

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VERSUS
TANGA MULTI SECURITY CLEANING SERVICES LIMITED DEFENDANT(S)

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Government pledges to improve quality of traditional medicine

By Correspondent James Kandoya

THE government has promised to work in collaboration with traditional medicine practitioners to ensure their researches and training becomes sustainable and meets quality.

Prof Eron Karimuribo, Director of Postgraduate studies and research at Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) said that in the first African Traditional Medicine Day Scientific Conference held at SUA premises in Morogoro region.

He said convocation was organised by SUA in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and different stakeholders. The aim of this important day is to promote the role of African traditional medicine to improve the health of Africans.

The don said that the convocation was deliberated with a theme "Two decades of African Traditional Medicine Day: Progress Towards Achieving Universal Health Coverage in Africa."

"Traditional medicine plays a major role in people's lives and nation development, but its innovation is still low or remains on individuals," he said.

He added that there were a number of challenges relating with production including raw materials, markets and policy.

He said the convocation will help to eliminate, identify, develop and try to reduce challenges of production and business available or likely to emerge in the future in traditional medicine.

Director of curative services at the Ministry of Health urged researchers to work together in the implementation of the research to bring positive results.

He said the ministry of health has prepared guidelines of traditional medicine healing in hospitals and training of traditional healing guidelines.

"Provisional of the service chain in traditional medicine in hospitals offers good quality. The government has already started reviewing some of the medicine, adding that the target is to be used in referral hospitals," he said.

The convocation brought together the association of traditional medicine manufacture (UWABIATA), Government Chemist Laboratory Authority (GCLA) and other stakeholders.

During the convocation, a discussion and presentation based on the research and the development of traditional medicine, factories and, non-communicable diseases.

African Traditional Medicine day was first commemorated in 31st August, 2003 following the adoption of the World Health Organisation resolution of 2002 on Promoting the role of Traditional medicine in health systems.

It is now two decades since the adoption and first celebration.



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Tanga city mayor Abdurhaman Shiloo casts his vote at a council electoral meeting on Monday that saw Mwanaidi Kombo scoop all 30 votes to become deputy mayor. Photo: Correspondent Oscar Kashmiri

By Guardian Correspondent, Dodoma

THE Parliamentary Local Authorities Accounts Committee (LAAC) has identified the drop of revenues in Dodoma City Council and singled out the sluggish sale of land plots as the main cause.

Nonetheless, the panel has accepted the new trend for the city, agreeing on creation of new sources of revenue not entirely depending on land plot sales.

Submitting LAAC's resolutions after analyzing the city council's 2020/21 audit queries from the CAG, the committee's vice chair, Selemeni Zedi said new revenue sources identified by the council include the Chinangali Park, trucks parking area at Nala, Dodoma City Hotel, Mtumba Investment Centre and the modern bus station.

He said they have identified these

LAAC identifies drop in revenue from land plots sale in Dodoma

revenue sources as alternatives to land plot sales that have been hitting snags.

However, he said the Bunge Panel was not satisfied by the situation that the city council has not collected any revenue from the Saba Saba Market.

"CAG Audit Report shows that Dodoma city could have earned 1.2bn/- per year from levies charged at the market, hence my panel is not satisfied to see no revenue is collected from the Saba Saba Market," he added.

Zedi added that LAAC is in agreement with the trend in building new modern market in collaboration with traders

saying these changes should be implemented without any conflicts.

He also said his panel has given two weeks to the city director, Joseph Mafuru to make sure he submits completed statements to the CAG so that queries that need to be closed should be closed including the one involving awarding tender without involving the tender board.

In regard to payment of salaries to ghost workers, Zedi said LAAC has given six months to the city council to make a follow up to make sure some 51m/- paid to these ghost workers is

repaid. He added that the money was paid to deceased workers, those retired, suspended or dismissed.

Earlier, LAAC chairperson, Grace Tendega called on Dodoma City Council to make sure they abide by laid down procedures, regulations and laws as well as adhering to CAG instructions.

Meanwhile, Dodoma Region Administrative Secretary, Dr Fatma Mganga assured LAAC that its directives and opinions issued will be implemented by all local councils in Dodoma Region.

Vodacom earns DC Gondwe's praise on community services

By Guardian Reporter

KINONDONI District Commissioner, Godwin Gondwe has congratulated Vodacom Tanzania for being at the forefront of bringing about changes that directly affect the community, a situation that contributes to development to a large extent in Tanzania.

Speaking in Dar es Salaam yesterday when he was being visited by the winners of the 'M-Pesa Imeitika' Campaign, DC Gondwe said that Vodacom has been among leaders in the technology revolution and services

that benefit Tanzanians.

"Vodacom was the first to make up with M-PESA brings M-PAWA. Vodacom was also able to be the first to bring M-MAMA which helps mothers to get to the hospital quickly and receive care. It is a very big thing. But Vodacom was also the first to bring 4G. Therefore, we as the government congratulate them very much," he said.

"It is a good time to use the internet which is good and provides services on time for expanding the scope of communication in one way or another," he said.

And the winners of the bike

and motorcycle prizes through the M-Pesa Imeitika campaign, Magdalena Magoma, and Beata Madachi, have thanked the government for creating an enabling environment that enables the private sector and companies like Vodacom to contribute to the development of young people like them and society in general.

DC Gondwe also said that through 'M Pesa Imeitika' and other Vodacom services, young people are being reached and able to create jobs citing as an example that the bikes and motorbikes provided will provide jobs for young people.

Vodacom Tanzania continues to be a leader by being the first in the digital revolution and having quality services that touch the lives of Tanzanians.



Simanjiro legislator Christopher ole Sendeka (L), Simanjiro district commissioner Dr Suleiman Serera (R) and Franone Mining and Gems Ltd director Onesmo Mbise exchange ideas at Mirerani on Monday after the firm was reported to have won a tanzanite mining bid in the area. Photo: Correspondent Gift Thadey



CookFund

Accelerated Market roll-out of Clean Cooking Solutions in Tanzania

CALL FOR FUNDING PROPOSALS

Summary

The CookFund Programme, funded by the European Union (EU), is a three-year programme (2022 – 2024) that seeks to accelerate market rollout of clean cooking solutions in Tanzania mainland, targeting five regions namely Dar es Salaam, Pwani, Morogoro, Dodoma and Mwanza. The Programme is implemented by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) in collaboration with United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO). The CookFund Programme is a key component of the European Union's Integrated Approach for Enhancing Sustainable Cooking Value Chains Programme in Tanzania and the 11th European Development Fund (EDF), aiming at contributing to Tanzania's climate change commitment by increasing the share of the population with access to sustainable cooking solutions. The CookFund is a performance-based programme that will provide financial and technical assistance to support the accelerated market roll-out of clean cooking solutions leading to improved environment, jobs, and business opportunities.

The Call for Proposals

UNCDF is inviting interested and eligible Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and companies involved in the clean cooking value chain/technologies to apply for technical and financial assistance to accelerate market roll-out of clean cooking technologies in urban areas of targeted regions. For detailed guidelines and eligibility criteria please visit <https://uncdf.link/CfP-CookFundTanzania-EN>

All submissions should be done by completing a special Application Form to be downloaded from the address above.

Language: All proposals must be submitted in English.

Deadline for Submission: The first round of application is open from 1st September 2022 until 16 December 2022.

Pre-submission workshops: UNCDF will conduct a half-day Pre-Submission Session to guide applicants on submission requirements. The purpose of this session is to offer applicants an opportunity to raise questions and for UNCDF to provide guidance on how to prepare proposals to increase the understanding of the applicants on the application guidelines.

If you wish to participate, please send an email to cookfund.tz@uncdf.org indicating "UNCDF Pre-submission workshop" in the subject line of your email. Indicate your region of operation (i.e., Dar es Salaam, Morogoro, Pwani, Dodoma and Mwanza). Specific time and venue for the workshops will be communicated in due time to those who will request participation. Interested applicants will bear their own travel costs for attending these workshops.

Please note that attendance to the pre-submission workshop is not a prerequisite for responding to this call.

For further information and/or questions, please contact:

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Zuhura Aman (R), head of Tanzania National Roads Agency's (Tanroads) road maintenance department for Tanga Region, briefs Kilindi district commissioner Abel Busalama (2nd-R) yesterday on the progress made in the construction of Songe bridge. Photo: Correspondent Dege Masoli

Govt allots 800m/- for construction of water project in Mkunywa village

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

THE government has provided more than 800m/- for the construction of a water project in Mkunywa village, Madibira ward, Mbarali district, Mbeya Region and the project after completion will serve seven villages.

Rural and Urban Water Agency (RUWASA) manager in Mbarali District, Eng. Samwel Heche said that the project was started 12 years ago but due to various reasons it could not be completed despite giving an amount of 90m/- at that time.

He said that after the government received the information through the Ministry of Water, it issued instructions that the project be completed quickly and the people of Madibira start getting clean and safe tap water.

"Currently the project has reached various stages and that RUWASA continues to manage the work day and night to finish and be able to provide services to other villages including Iheha, Mahango, Chalisuka, Mkunywa, Ikoga, Nyamakuyu and Nyakadete," said Engineer Heche

Eng Heche said the engineering contractor for the project has been handed over the other day and that it is expected to be completed in February 2023.

Water Deputy Minister Maryprisca Mahundi visited the project and was surprised why it has not been completed on time despite the government providing funds.

She said that the project is one of the worst projects in the Ministry of Water and that they will not accept to see it stalled again and instead RUWASA should manage to ensure that the people start getting clean and safe tap water service.

Speaking with Madibira residents, Maryprisca explained the hardships they are going through due to the water problem in their areas.

Secila Chungu said her marriage is in

danger of breaking up due to spending too much time searching for water and failing to take care of her marriage.

She said that she spends more than eight hours searching for water, a situation that causes her husband to see that he does not get a chance to sit together and make plans asking the government to complete the project so that they can start getting clean and safe water services because 12 years have passed since the construction of the project started but it was not completed.

She said women are the biggest victims of the water problem as it is needed for many activities in the family, so the completion of the project will help their marriages to be safe and other things to be done.

Mbarali District Commissioner, Ruben Mfune has said that he is the President's eye so he will ensure that the project is completed on time and built to the required standards considering the value of money.



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RAS bans traditional elders to settle GBV, child abuse cases

By Guardian Correspondent, Manyara

THE Manyara Region Administrative Secretary, Karolina Mthapula has imposed ban on traditional elders and parents to encourage people involved in family based violence to informally settle the matter by offering livestock in order to evade the arm of the law.

Mthapula announced the ban at the weekend when she visited a family of two children (names withheld) who were sprayed with boiling water

by their biological mother at Nakwa Village, Babati district.

She said children who were subjected to the cruelty are aged seven -studying in Standard One and the other aged 14 studying in Std Six.

RAS called on the community, especially parents, to stop subjecting their children to cruelty for whatever reason.

"Parents should refrain from vengeance on children as they are innocent and uninformed about many

things," said Mthapula.

She said traditional elders are still problematic as they keep on telling the community that those involved in such cruelty should settle the matter informally by offering goats, sheep or cows as penalty.

She said the decision by the mother of the two children to spray her children with hot boiling water was not human at all, and added that she could have blinded them or infringing other permanent disabilities.

She also called upon the people to report such acts of cruelty to appropriate authorities as well as taking the victims to hospital for prompt treatment.

Meanwhile, Babati Town Council Director, Anna Fisoo who accompanied by RAS said when people commit acts of violence, they create a violent generation.

She called on them to refuse receiving livestock as penalty to settle the matter.

Fisoo directed Nakwa Village officials to convene a public meeting, after the completion of the census exercise in which a team of officials from community development officers will educate them on issues of gender based violence and child abuse.



Works and Transport minister Prof Makame Mbarawa has a word in Dodoma city yesterday with members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Infrastructure. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Mtoni ward residents see drop in crime rates, thanks to 'sungusungu'

By Abdallah Mfaume, TUDARCo

RESIDENTS at Mtoni Relini Street in Mtoni ward, Temeke District in Dar es Salaam Region have hailed the presence of community-based security groups which have greatly helped to reduce robberies and other crimes incidents in the area.

In separate interviews during the weekend, the residents expressed their contentment due to the strengthened security and peace.

Khadija Mpigame, chairman of Mtoni Relini Street said: "My citizens are now safe, this is because of the community-based security (sungusungu); there is no fear as it was in the previous time here people were worrying to walk to and from their homes during the night due to robbery incidents."

Another resident Maulid Khalfani said people are now free to walk in the street even during night because the area is now calm.

"The situation was weird some time ago, we even feared to live here, theft and other criminal incidents were on the rise, we thank the government for supporting these security groups and now we live safely and happily while engaging in our daily income generating activities," he said.

Saida Bakari, a sungusungu group member said: "We are here to volunteer our time and efforts for our community, this has helped to improve peace and security in the street, we have in the previous witnessed incidents of robbery and rape, this is why I decided to join the group to help fight this."

Jafary Deko, another sungusungu member said: "My young sister was robbed by unknown people in this street, it was night. I decided to take action by joining the group so that we

can join forces to fight the problem."

Mwajuma Salehe, one of the residents, said the sungusungu group was doing a good job to improve security in the street.

"We are living peaceful now, there are no cases of theft and rape especially during night time, we thank this group for the wonderful job of protecting people and their properties, women were living in fear than others," she said.

Christopher Aloyce said more needs to be done to motivate the security group and enable them work effectively.

"To make this sustainable, we (residents) need to support the sungusungu group by paying the required fees for them to get a small allowance, it is a small amount, but it helps them continue working for our street," he added.



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By Guardian Reporter, Mtwara

Police hold CCM councillor allegedly in possession of subsidized pesticides

POLICE in Mtwara Region have detained 20 people including the Lulindi Ward Councillor Ajali Mpataga (CCM) from Masasi District Council for being in possession of government-subsidized cashew nuts pesticides.

This was revealed by Acting Mtwara Regional Police Commander Alizaki Mushi as he briefed reporters here yesterday, saying that the 20 suspects were arrested at the weekend with the subsidized pesticides.

He said the police, in collaboration with Tanzania Cashewnuts Board

(CBT) made an inspection in regard to the distribution of the pesticides to farmers and discovered that there were people who have been sabotaging the exercise for their own interests.

RPC Mushi said after investigations they searched the homes of the suspects and were found with bags of the government-subsidized pesticides that were meant for distribution to

farmers. He said a total of 148 bags of sulphur powder and 104 bottles liquid pesticides were found on them.

"We are holding 20 people for being in possession of the pesticides and all of them will be taken to court within a short time after investigations are complete," he added.

He said the suspects were nabbed

from Newala, Tandahimba and Masasi districts and the police were still looking for other suspects.

He said the police have discovered that there are traders in the region who have been wooing cashewnuts farmers to sell to them the pesticides supplied by the government at lower subsidized prices and later sell them at higher prices.

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Zanzibar faces tough nut to crack over corruption

ZANZIBAR President Dr Hussein Mwinyi is battling to bring executive agencies to act on mishandling of government revenues as reported in the annual report of the Zanzibar Controller and Auditor General (Z-CAG). On the basis of recent remarks by the Isles leader, there is hardly an instance where measures are taken on those who help themselves to government funds, often as inappropriate loans and they return the cash later. Listening to audiovisual discussion, this is normal.

When pundits make an effort to show that this is normal, the crucial aspect there is the cultural environment, that there is a community spirit of gains where a sort of generalized welfare consideration is part of the issue, not just individual actions. As Zanzibar is a fairly closely knit community, and is often intolerant of those who seek to upset social, economic and political arrangements there, many will take it that access to public resources is part of benefits of loyalty. It is hard to remove this sentiment, and it is definitely this kind of outlook that the president is battling.

Zanzibar is not alone in facing such problems, as they have occurred time and again in the Union government, where reports of the CAG are basically advisory to the legislature. During the fifth phase the government started to be more concerned with their contents, and the same spirit is being noticed in Zanzibar, as part of a wider drive to generate reforms that permit contractual arrangements with foreign firms. Investments or joint ventures presume the rule of law, not communal ways of doing things where people

aren't bothered when they skim a bit of state funds.

While it is entirely possible that those responsible will start taking measures to tidy up good governance in various departments, chances that resistances ossify in this or that department are high. Ordinarily people react positively to what is in their interests rather than contrary to what they want, and if they feel they have support around them, their readiness to act is diminished. Thus remedial measures to this situation need to involve change of roles, extra benefits for going the change way.

That is why the current Blue Economy drive by President Mwinyi is vital in the effort to reshape governance outlooks, from a conservative communalism to a more innovative liberal outlook of individual responsibility. When government departments are engaged in contractual links with private companies, proper or contractual use of cash becomes a habit. They say 'the guest helps out the tenant,' in which case broadening accountability to add contractual ties would help a lot.

When there are new tasks to be achieved and most government officials find they have a stake in the changes, so long as they play by the rules, infusing a change in behaviour will be eased. A more open approach can help, in implementation of the current Blue Economy vision, by taking it up in a slightly different environment. It is what US economists would say is a 'soft landing' approach, even if it isn't a panacea for all governance problems enumerated, since as the adage goes 'Rome wasn't built in a day.' Nor will corruption be eradicated in one term of office, but a lot can still be achieved.

Foreign beef exports need own agents here, not just inoculation or cattle dips

POLICY makers in the Livestock and Fisheries ministry are working around the clock to put in place a functioning cattle handling slaughter and meat processing modality that can significantly increase chances of exporting beef to Western markets, especially Europe. So far there are emerging markets in the Middle East and especially the Gulf Zone, where the light has been flickering for more than a decade but it is hard to say if there is a substantial market yet. When President Samia Suluhu Hassan visited Egypt and the Gulf earlier, it all appeared a bit new.

It can thus be said that not much has been arranged up to this time, such that the whole issue of what needs to be done is somewhat fresh, despite that it has been under discussion for well over a decade. Hearing from top officials of the ministry it is clear that drawbacks still exist on the most propitious conditions for exports to be accepted, and even to fetch a substantial market. The regulatory mode in the EU - which in theory allows everything with little or no tariffs with exception of firearms - is stringent on what are known as sanitary and phytosanitary conditions.

This is what the ministry is seeking to address, but what it can achieve can rapidly be said to suffice for regional markets and partially, the Gulf Zone is they have sealed agreements on that score, now or in the past. Europe and other markets may still have to be convinced, where the best way forward isn't to initiate rounds of economic diplomacy in foreign missions but to ease their efforts, by solving clear bottlenecks. One way is to have agents of foreign beef firms being

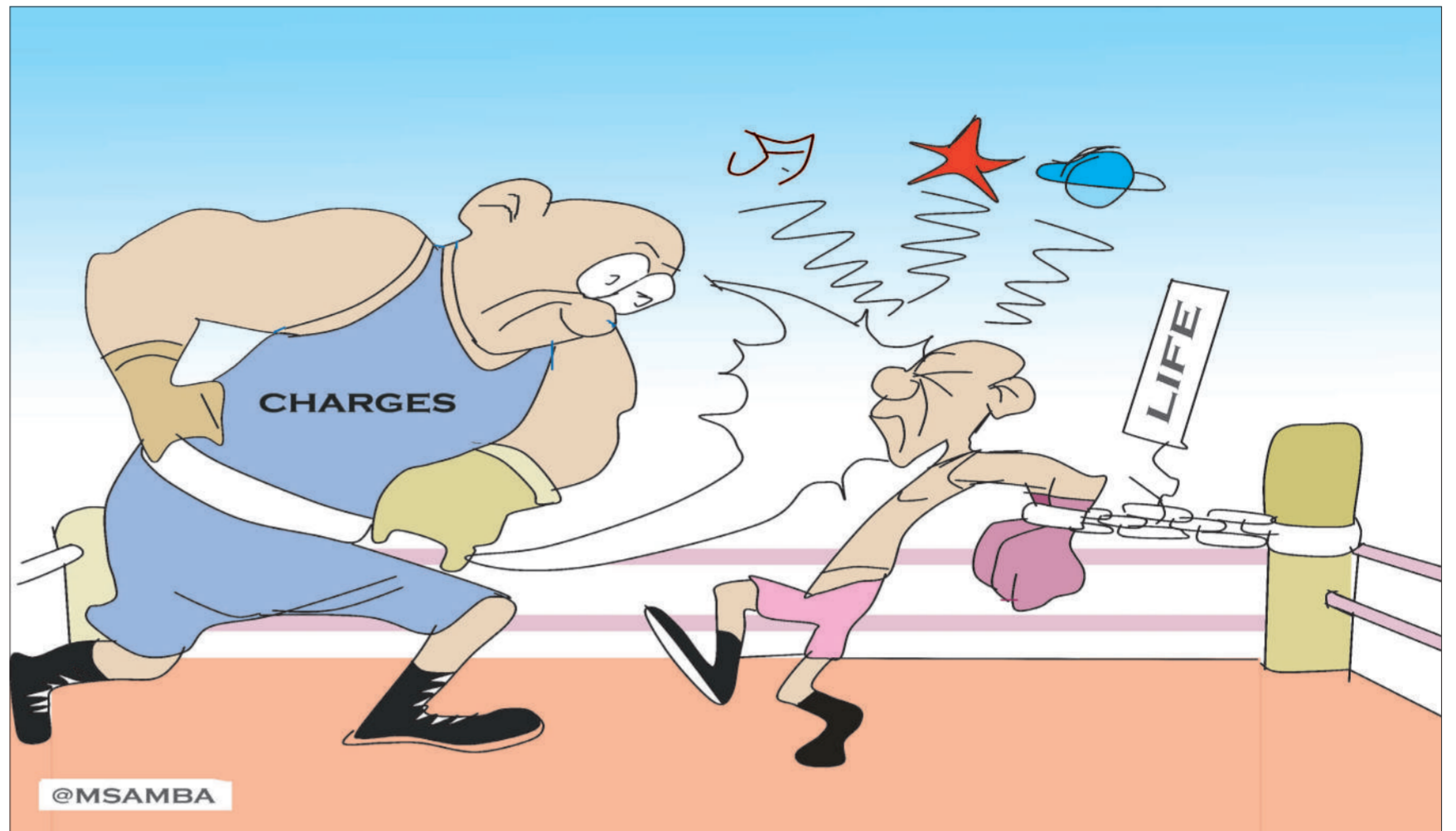
stakeholders here, in which case those markets can't reject products of their own companies.

An example is the way Tanzania over the past year started to access the Indian market for avocado, a market it has continuously sought for perishable vegetables to no avail. It was after an Indian agri-business firm obtained a patch of land to cultivate that crop, such that it is classified as Tanzanian but the law has to be altered to allow Tanzanian horticulture to enter that country without tariff barriers. Nearly the same thing needs to be applied to Europe but for the sanitary or phytosanitary aspect, where that same element of ownership applies, to identify with it.

It means that some investments must be sought for by the government in order to ease market access abroad. When foreign missions know exactly what the country needs in this or that area, instead of merely piling arguments for the country being allowed to sell beef or such other product, it will be easier to attract investors, instead of waiting for them to discover what is relevant for their markets. We often err by thinking they come for available opportunities, instead of strategic pursuits.

To unlock the beef exports potential the ministry will do better seeking out EU investors to tie up with local entrepreneurs, even if they will not be breeding the cattle on their own, at least in first stages.

The duality can live on for a while as beef ranches expand while traditional rearing is also there for the local market and even portions of the regional market. It is worth trying it out, not just pleading.



By Simone Galimberti

THE upcoming summit on Education, part of the UN Secretary General's ambitious agenda, can truly bring accountability and participation to the inevitably new ways education will be imparted in the future.

With scorching temperatures, uncontrolled flames and floods devastating our planet, millions of people are realizing that we are all going to pay a high price for climate inaction.

The current climate crisis is furthering compounding the other emergency that is still affecting all of us, a public health crisis fully exposed by the Covid pandemic.

Amid this gloomy scenario, the international community cannot forego its duties not only to strengthen the global education system but also its moral obligation to re-think it and re-imagine it.

While it is easy to criticize the UN as a system incapable of effectively tackling these multidimensional challenges, we cannot but praise Secretary General Antonio Guterres for his far sighted vision encapsulated in his global blue print, Our Common Agenda.

It's a bold statement that contains multiple proposals including the ambitious goal of reinventing the global education.

In this context, and on September, the UN will host the most important forum to discuss how education can emerge as the thread that can equip the citizens of the world with the right tools to thrive in a truly sustainable and equitable planet.

The Transforming Education Summit, scheduled to take place at the UN September 19, should be seen as a stand-alone effort while it is intended to be the beginning of an ambitious global brainstorming. It is also the culmination of several other major events in the past few years.

In 2015 the Incheon Declaration and Framework for Action provided the vision for implementing the SDG 4, the global sustainable goal focused on inclusive and quality education.

We know how brutal the effects of the pandemic were on learners worldwide especially in developing and emerging nations.

In face of these challenges, with the global headlines focused on the public health emergency and the futile attempts at negotiating a breakthrough climate change agreement at the COP 26, few noticed that the international community tried to take action.

In November 2021, it gathered in Paris for a Global Education Meeting's High Level Segment hosted by UNESCO and the Government of France. The outcome was the Paris Declaration that building on the work of a previous summit, the Extraordinary session of the Global Education Meeting (2020 GEM), held in October 2020, provided

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a clear call for more financing and a stronger global multilateral cooperation system.

The fact that our attention was totally focused to other existential crises should not deter us from reflecting on how such events were neglected by world media and, as a consequence, how little discussion about the future of education happened.

I am not just talking about discussions among professionals on the ground but also a debate that involves teachers and students alike. The upcoming Transforming the Education Summit will try to revert this lack of attention and overall weak engagement among the people.

The Secretariat of the event, hosted by UNESCO, one of the agencies within the UN system that lacks financial support but still proves to be real value for money, is trying its best to enable a global conversation on how the future of education should be.

It is in this precise context that UNESCO has set up an interactive knowledge and debate hub, the so-called Hub that, hopefully, will become a permanent global platform for discussing education globally.

Imagine a sort of civic agora where experts, students, parents, policy makers alike can share their best practices and bring forwards their opinions on how to follow up on the decisions that will be taken in September.

It is also extremely positive that a Pre-Summit event at the end of June in Paris, laid out some grounds for the September's gathering especially because youths also had a chance to speak and share their views.

It is not the first-time youths are involved, but the full involvement of the Office of the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth in the preparation of the

in September to be the starting point for a much longer conversation that will build on the insights and knowledge emerged in these last few years.

Governance of the global education system will also be central and with this, we will have an opportunity to find creative ways, ways that just few years ago were imaginable, to include people, especially the youths.

No matter the efforts now put in place to create awareness and participation for the summit, no matter how inclusive the Youth Process will be, the fact that there is still a very long way before creating spaces where persons on the ground can truly participate.

Too few are aware of the existence of a Global Education Cooperation Mechanism led by the SDG4-Education 2030 High-Level Steering Committee that also includes representatives of youth and teachers and NGOs.

While there is no doubt that such inclusive format is itself innovative, the challenges ahead require a much more accessible and holistic set-up.

The existence of a global accountability mechanism was one of the key points discussed and emerged in the Youths Consultations during the Pre-Summit in Paris.

The High-Level Steering Committee needs not only more visibility because of its "political" aim of galvanizing global attention and energizing and influencing global leaders so that education can become a global priority at the same levels of climate action and public health.

It should also have a stronger representation of youths, teachers and NGOs and it can evolve into a real permanent forum for discussions and even decision making.

As difficult as it is to imagine a new global governance for education, what we need is a space, virtual and as well formally established as an institution, where not only experts and governments' representatives gather and decide.

A space for accountability but also for enhanced participation.

There is still a long way before reaching a consensus on how education will look like in the years to come but there is no doubt that bold decisions must be taken also to reimagine its governance.

The Transforming the Education Summit can herald the beginning of a new era.

Media will have a special role to play: not only on reporting on the summit and its following developments but also for giving voices to the youths and for bringing forward the most progressive ideas that should define how education will shape this new era.

Wisely, Guterres intends the summit

Empowering women is investing in the wellbeing of future generations

RIGHTS groups rightly argue that empowering women is essential to the health and social development of families, communities and countries. When women live safe, fulfilled and productive lives, they can reach their full potential and contribute their skills to the workforce and can raise happier and healthier children.

Studies have found that low level of education is one of the reasons which result in the low status of women. Women's education is therefore advantageous not only to them but the younger generations. For, mothers are the first teachers of children, so the educated mother can bring up healthy and clever children. Also, since the relation between mothers and children is the most intimate one, a mother's behaviour profoundly affects her children.

It is important to equip a woman with quality education because her life is naturally a constant struggle. In our current world of social media and influential celebrities, most women, especially young ones, struggle to fight the so-called negative body image. Many starve themselves to lose too much weight and some waste millions into fake looks and makeup.

A woman cannot know all that she is until she accepts herself as she is. This acceptance is an open challenge to every woman as long as she is rejecting any part of herself; she is severing herself from her full power by investing in creating and maintaining a false image. It takes courage to release the social pressures of our society in order to be ourselves.

British actress and humanitarian Audrey Hepburn once said: "The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries or the way she combs her hair. The beauty of a woman is seen in her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart, the place where love resides. The beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. The most alluring thing a woman can have is confidence. It's the caring that she lovingly gives



the passion that she shows and the beauty of a woman only grows with passing years."

But another challenge in the world is that men struggle to understand women. When a woman is happy, she never stops talking, when she is sad, she is speechless, her heart is too tired for words. Silence is a woman's loudest cry. Trying to rattle the bones of a woman who wears the amour of truth is treading on dangerous grounds.

When she finally learns that pleasing the world is impossible, she becomes free to learn how to please herself. She understands

that the hardest times in life to go through were when she was transitioning from one version of herself to another.

An empowered woman is a warrior who doesn't care about herself just because she cares about her children; her care is priceless and her love is incomparable. Women have multiple roles in their lives including being a mother which is the most relentless and thankless job on earth.

Motherhood is all about unconditional, never ending patience and love. A mother is a protector, disciplinarian and friend. A mother is a selfless, loving human who

must sacrifice many of her wants and needs for their children.

A mother works hard to make sure her child is equipped with knowledge, skills and abilities to make it as a productive human being. Being a mother is perhaps the hardest yet most rewarding job a woman will ever experience.

The word mother is more powerful when used as a verb than as a noun. All women are not mothers, but all women are called to mother. To mother is to nurture, to train, to educate, to rear. All women are uniquely gifted to help others in their lives become more of who they truly are to encourage, nurture and mother them towards their true selves.

Women and men both play an important role in our society, yet their participation and efforts have never been considered equal to that of men. There are many people who feel that only physical beauty describes a woman, thus every effort she makes largely goes unnoticed.

Although physical beauty is one of the assets of a woman, so is her internal strength. The truth is that a woman is a source of infinite strength to the world. With her strength, she can build and secure people and relationships. A true woman does not even look for endless admiration of her beauty; rather she wants her efforts to be

acknowledged, her presence to be valued and her opinion to be respected.

Women are full of magic; they give their lives for their family. All women have the power to make huge difference in anyone's life though many never know they made a huge difference.

My respect to all the women especially those who aren't letting age define them, the ones who struggle every day to make ends meet through legal mean and the ones who uplift others and are not in competition with anyone. The real woman actually fixes other woman's crown.

Despite gender inequalities across all sectors, women continue to thrive and beat the odds. Women are leaders everywhere nowadays; from CEOs who run Fortune 500 companies to the housewife who raises her children and heads her household.

There is something magical about a woman who stands out in a man's world of success. It takes a certain grace, strength, intelligence, fearlessness and never-take-no-for-an-answer. In the future there will be no female leaders; there will be just leaders.

There is no limit to what women can accomplish. A strong woman knows she has strength enough for the journey, but a woman of strength knows it is in the journey where she will become strong. A strong woman must have a voice. A really strong woman accepts the war she went through and is enabled by her scars.

The fastest way to change society is to mobilize the women of the world. No one has to be anti-man to be pro-woman. Actually, women are the largest untapped reservoir of talent in the world.

Dance, music festivals now back after disruptions that brought misery

By Correspondent-Emmanuel Onyango

MANY attend music and dance performances for fun without knowing that the two are actually approved and widely used as health therapy. If you are a lover of the two, could be treating yourself unknowingly.

Music therapy is the clinical use of music to accomplish individualized goals such as reducing stress, improving mood and self-expression. It is an evidence-based therapy well-established in the health community.

On the other hand, dance or movement therapy (DMT) is the psychotherapeutic use of movement to promote emotional, social, cognitive, and physical integration.

DMT can help people with physical health issues by increasing strength, improving flexibility, decreasing muscle tension, and boosting coordination. It can also offer important mental health benefits including stress reduction and even symptom relief from conditions such as anxiety and depression.

When the first case of Covid-19 was reported in Tanzania on 16th March 2020, restrictions on public gatherings were put in place. This ended performances, wiping out earnings of artists who depend on such appearances to make ends meet.

There are sad stories of artists who were thrown into poverty as they had to sell personal belongings to put a simple meal on the table. Some were humbled as they had to accept gigs that do not fit their star status. For, beggars are not choosers.

The international dance festival took place recently National Museum of Tanzania hall in Dar es Salaam to celebrate culture, community and resilience. Organized by Art for Social and Economic Development in Africa' (ESEDEVA) and dubbed Haba na Haba (little by little), the event was possible a long silence.

Inn its sixth edition since the programme started in 2010, the two-day festival opened its when the Mtoto Mchoraji (Young painter) group consisting of young artistes based in Bagamoyo came stormed the stage and performed a fascinating dance before the audiences.

For the past one year, the organizers failed to stage the monthly performance as scheduled due to financial constraints, said Haba na Haba Programme Manager Upendo Manase.

She said the group managed to organize the event this time around thanks to sponsorship extended by Embassy of France and Indian High Commission.

"We could not deliver on our promise to perform monthly including up-country due to financial constraints",



A group of dancers at the international dance festival staged in Dar es Salaam recently. Photo/Correspondent Emmanuel Onyango

she said.

The international festival of traditional and contemporary dance strives to connect Tanzania with other countries through performing art which aims at changing roles, knowledge and experiences.

Apart from East African Community (EAC) member states, ESEDEVA is linked with other member groups from South Africa, France, India as well as Scandinavian countries in order to understand Tanzanian culture.

The festival brings together a wide range of dance cultures in order to share experiences and discuss opportunities available in the world of

dance industry and how to tap the same. It also helps in expertise sharing between Tanzanian choreographers and their foreign counterparts.

This year's festival was preceded by a week-long formal training for artistes to learn more about the sector's challenges, share ideas and expand networking opportunities with festival organisers, cultural institutions and funders.

The edition was performed under the theme 'Play for the sake of community development' whereby scores of artistes from within and outside the country such as France, Switzerland, German, Brazil, South Africa, Kenya

and DRC were invited.

Among the invitees was a famous Kenyan-born artist Fernando Anuanga who lives in Mombasa but works in Paris as a singer and dancer.

His performances wowed the audience as he walked to the stage in Maasai traditional attire.

Anuanga who is also a contemporary choreographer said that he combines his artistic work with a unique traditional Maasai culture as well as western styles, thus resulting in an intriguing performance.

The artist said he has been making movies on social and cultural life since 1990 and has also been involved in performance in the Maasai cultural dance festival which is known to the outside world to make his audience understand the culture of the famous tribe found in Tanzania and Kenya.

"My goal is to add value of contemporary dance perfor-

mances in both indoor and outdoor spaces so as to reach new audiences in both international as well as regional and local communities", he said.

Isack Abeneko, Artistic Director at Haba na Haba said the festival is the brainchild of cultural entrepreneur and musicians who works with both local and foreign professional artists including young talent alike.

He said ASEDEVA is a non-profit organization which consists of over 50 young artists and depends entirely on donors to run its various artistic activities namely music and dance shows in the country.

Since its establishment 12 years ago, the organization works under the National Arts Council of Tanzania by organizing various cultural and art projects, events and training for artists, and stage performances for Tanzanian artists.

By Priyal Singh

Africa's rise in strategic importance on world stage could well reshape international order

AFRICA'S growing strategic value to global powers has been reinforced by international tensions and economic volatility spurred on by Russia's invasion of Ukraine and the Covid-19 fallout.

African states have long featured prominently in the foreign policy calculus of the great powers and middle powers in more recent times. This is particularly in terms of natural resource extraction, energy security and finding new markets for trade and investment.

But due to their relatively limited hard-power profiles (or material capabilities), no single African country can challenge or obstruct the global ambitions of powers such as the United States (US), China, Russia, the United Kingdom (UK) and France.

As a result, the continent has struggled to influence the international agenda outside of bodies like the United Nations (UN) and African Union (AU). However, 2022 may come to be seen as the year that marked a decisive turning point.

In hindsight, multilateral responses to Russia's invasion of Ukraine are perceived as far more significant than individual states' reactions to a specific crisis. Positions adopted in the UN General Assembly's 11th Emergency Special Session on Ukraine have been interpreted (primarily by the West) as a key signifier of countries' commitment to the current rules-based, global order.

The conflict has been framed as an attack on the normative bedrock of the international system – pitting revisionist forces against those seeking to maintain the status quo. An analysis of regional voting patterns for the three UN resolutions adopted on Russia's invasion of Ukraine (see chart) is revealing.

Across all three votes, the Western European grouping (which includes the US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Turkey and Israel) maintained an extraordinarily high level of unity in opposing the invasion and supporting all three resolutions. This was mirrored by the Eastern European group, with a handful of exceptions.

These voting patterns – and the framing of the invasion as an attack on the international order by US president Joe Biden and European



Olaf Scholz, Germany's chancellor, left, and Cyril Ramaphosa, South Africa's president, during a news conference at the Union Buildings in Pretoria, South Africa, May 24, 2022. Scholz was visiting South Africa as part of his first African tour since becoming chancellor. File photo

Union Commission president Ursula von der Leyen, among others – show that the West expected states from other UN blocs to share this worldview. While many did for the first two resolutions, there was a considerable drop-off in the third resolution, which booted Russia off the UN Human Rights Council.

Votes from Africa, and Asia-Pacific to a lesser extent, underscored a sharp global divide on the unfolding conflict. African states were split almost down the middle in their support of the first two resolutions – while being far more muted on the issue in other diplomatic engagements.

Reasons for the different voting outcomes are specific to each country, but there's a clear mismatch between Western and African states'

worldviews on how the crisis is understood politically. As a result, Africa has become a significant site of global power contestation for influence and support – reminiscent of the Cold War era.

This has bolstered the continent's strategic importance on the world stage. African countries are seen as 'swing states' in a grand battle between those attempting to maintain or undermine the current international order. This was exemplified in recent months by a series of high-level diplomatic tours.

German Chancellor Olaf Scholz conducted his first official visit to Africa in late May, visiting Senegal, Niger and South Africa. The trip informed Germany's hosting of the G7 summit in

June, which focused on the economic impact of the Russia-Ukraine conflict. South African President Cyril Ramaphosa and current AU chair, Senegalese president Macky Sall were invited, showing Scholz's acknowledgement that African perspectives should be considered. African states (and the AU) aren't part of the G7.

In July, French President Emmanuel Macron visited the continent, seeking to reboot relations with Cameroon, Benin and Guinea-Bissau. Concurrently, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov travelled to Egypt, Congo, Uganda and Ethiopia to garner support and provide reassurances on the impact of the conflict on Africa's food security.

Early August saw US State Secretary Antony

Blinken visit South Africa, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda to revitalise relations and promote the US's new strategy for sub-Saharan Africa. The strategy follows the Countering Malign Russian Activities in Africa Act in April, which links to ideas in the US's 2017 National Security Strategy, 2018 National Defense Strategy and 2022 North Atlantic Treaty Organization Strategic Concept adopted in June. Both strategies point to the return of long-term strategic competition among states.

Together, these engagements show a concerted effort among global powers to revamp relations with African partners against the backdrop of increasing rivalry. Beyond the search for new markets and natural resources, African states are being included in influential countries' foreign policy planning in a bid to secure support for competing worldviews on the international order.

The critical question for the continent's leaders is how to make use of this rising strategic value. That this value is externally derived is irrelevant. What matters is how it could be leveraged to achieve Africa's collective political and developmental agenda.

This is the moment for Africa's leaders to agree on and pursue long-standing big-ticket items, like meaningful UN Security Council reform. Accomplishing that will be difficult and may require a considerable recalibration of relations among African states themselves.

As global power rivalries intensify, it's worth remembering that the current international order has rarely worked in Africa's favour – and has arguably reinforced the continent's marginal position in world affairs. So African countries are naturally positioned as revisionist forces, striving for a more representative and equitable international system that could better respond to the challenges all states face.

At the same time, a new international order that is more transactional and lacks a robust normative bedrock could prove far more sinister than the current one.

In either case, Africa's rising strategic stock on the world stage cannot be squandered if its leaders are committed to a common political, developmental and human security agenda. **DM**

More refugees, migrants find safe haven in Egypt amid instability in neighbouring countries

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STROLLING in the 6th of October City to the southwest of the Egyptian capital of Cairo, one might feel like traveling in a Syrian city as it is teemed with Syrian-styled restaurants, shops, and groceries selling shawarma, barbecue chicken, pickles and spices.

These businesses are mostly run by Syrian refugees living in the city, whose number is estimated to be thousands.

Amaar Abdel Rahman, a 44-year-old owner of a restaurant selling Syrian sandwiches, is one of them. Having fled the war-torn homeland with his family in 2012, he has found safe heaven in Egypt ever since.

"I suffered at the beginning to find a job until I opened, in partnership with an Egyptian, a restaurant selling Syrian sandwiches," Rahman said.

Rahman is very satisfied with his current life in Egypt where his family is living in an apartment rented at the same price offered to Egyptians, while his children get free education in Egyptian governmental schools.

"I had the chance to travel to a European coun-

try illegally, but I feel more comfortable here because there are no language, culture, or religious barriers," the Syrian refugee told Xinhua.

There are over 9 million refugees and illegal migrants living in Egypt originating from about 130 countries, according to a report of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) published on Aug. 7.

"The current number of international migrants residing in Egypt is 9,012,582 migrants, which is equivalent to 8.7 percent of the Egyptian population," the report said.

Among the total, it's estimated that there are 4 million Sudanese, 1.5 million Syrians, 1 million Yemenis, and 1 million Libyans. Combined, they account for about 80 percent of the total population of refugees and illegal migrants currently residing in Egypt.

Naela Gabr, the chairperson of the Cairo-based National Coordinating Committee for Combating and Preventing Illegal Migration and Trafficking in Persons, said that the number of refugees and migrants in Egypt has notably increased due to protracted instability in the neighboring countries.

"Egypt is an oasis of security and safety in a re-

gion experiencing several economic and political problems which have driven many Syrians, Iraqi, Libyan, Yemeni, Sudanese, South Sudanese, Ethiopian and Eritrean individuals to find shelter in the most populous Arab country," Gabr told Xinhua.

The Egyptian official explained that the legal status of the 9 million individuals accommodated by Egypt is refugees and migrants with no legal properties or residency permits.

Only 275,000 of them have the "status of refugee" in accordance with the 1951 UN Refugee Convention, she said.

Egypt has adopted a lenient policy toward the refugees and illegal migrants, without taking negative measures against them or putting them into refugee camps, Gabr said.

They enjoy equal rights with the Egyptian citizens in terms of education and national health care despite the world economic stagnation that has adversely impacted the Egyptian economy and employment, she noted.

The Egyptian official stressed that there are no major problems that have been caused by the refugees and migrants, adding that the for-

eign presence even contributes to the richness of the Egyptian economy and culture.

Gabr denied the western reports that Egypt is a transit country for the migrants, as "transit is not easy now as before because border guard forces have completely controlled the Sinai Peninsula, western borders, and the Mediterranean Sea coast."

She referred to the National Strategy on Combating Illegal Migration (2016-2026) and Egypt's Law On Combating Illegal Migration & Smuggling of Migrants which was issued in 2016 for maximizing penalties against illegal migrants as a tool for preventing migration through the Egyptian territories.

Gabr called for better cooperation with Europe, which she said should abandon its double standards in dealing with illegal migrants.

"Europe has to work on creating job opportunities and settling the political problems in the African countries that export migrants," she said.

"Compared to welcoming the Ukrainians, Europe in defending the human rights has dealt with Afghan, Arab and African people with dis-

crimination," she added.

Still, some refugees or illegal migrants living in Egypt try to use the country as a springboard for migrating to Europe.

A 17-year-old Eritrean girl, who refused to be named as she has no legal residence permit in Egypt, admitted that Egypt for her is only "a transit country for migrating to Europe."

The girl, working as a secretary at a music academy in the Maadi district in southeastern Cairo, arrived in Egypt with her family four years ago.

She said that she has been saving money for getting a possible ticket to a secured boat taking her and her family to Europe.

"Egyptians are kind, but Egypt is not a rich country and there is no job opportunity for my father, and we cannot live on aid forever. I have dreams to get a good education and legal life," she told Xinhua.

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It is crucial to invest in early childhood education development, parents advised

By Correspondent Daniel Semberya

PARENTS and guardians have been urged to invest heavily in early childhood education development to build a strong foundation that would shape the future of kids hence the society.

Jane Mutua Save the Children Tanzania, director of programme development and quality made the remarks during a Policy Forum's breakfast debate, themed: "Investing in early childhood development: What should be done to improve children's learning."

Mutua said findings have shown that investing a single dollar in early childhood will return 17 dollars hence the need for more investment in the area.

She said outcomes of a project which the agency carried in Mbozi, Songwe region dubbed 'Tuwekeze pamoja project' have shown for the improvement in pre-primary teaching and learning environment.

The project's outcome also suggested the need for creation of an enabling environment for children's development and learning.

"The findings also showed there is an increased awareness that when parents fight in front of children, the children may be anxious about the peace at home," she said.

She added that before the project, there was a high level of inter-partner violence, mainly due to alcohol abuse among male caregivers, whereby most home environment and caregiver indicating that having a supportive home environment has a direct relationship with development outcomes.

"This may be because, on average, mothers in project areas spend more time with children than fathers. Fathers' engagement in these activities would similarly influence outcomes," she said.

The project was aimed at empowering caregivers expand their understanding of parenting - from providing basic needs to nurturing all aspects of child development.

Mutua detailed further that through the project in Mbozi District they have been able to support capacity building activities with local government officials, training on how to engage in the



Jamii Initiative's head of programme Godwin Mongi speaks at the Policy Forum's Breakfast debate over the weekend in Dar es Salaam. Photo: Courtesy of the Save Children Tanzania.

prioritization, planning and budgeting process and supporting them to integrate issues into village development plans.

"We worked to standardize village development plans in partnership with ward and village officials and supported them to

obtain training on how to engage in existing planning and prioritization processes," she added.

The programme also helped to design activities that enable the engagement of male caregivers in areas where they are more easily accessed, such as local markets or bars or in their workplaces.

Jamii Initiative Head of programme, Godwin Mongi said that the children upbringing, nurturing and development can lead to changes in national development. "What we are experiencing occurring in most families of having stubborn and cruel children is an outcome of what parents did in the past," he said.

Mongi urged parents and guardians to speak to their children face to face so as to establish trust in, "one hour can be very meaningful to spend with your child."

"Changes of children should start with parents and guardians," he said, urging the government to invest heavily in early education because it is a key for a child's development.

Flora Emmanuel from the Tanzania Women Lawyers Association (TAWLA), urged parents and guardians to be careful on what they are giving to their children.

"Provide them with films which create innovations and creativity to your children," she said.

Other findings indicate that globally, there is consensus among education stakeholders that early childhood education sets a foundation for children's development, learning, and future life achievements.

By Special Correspondent

Climate change and a harsh summer have led to a severe drop in water reserves in Morocco.

Faced with a reduction in rainfall levels, the authorities decided in July to ban the use of drinking water to irrigate green spaces and wash cars amongst other measures.

Morocco acts to conserve water

The decision is aimed at preventing the uncontrolled use of drinking water for any other purpose apart from human consumption.

"The decision is very difficult on me because I am used to resorting to a car wash to

get my car clean. But now despite how busy life already is, I have to clean my car myself from time to time" said Mustapha Yassine, a resident in Rabat.

Since last year, the reserves in the dams have gone down

by 80%, according to figures from Morocco's ministry of equipment.

Another Rabat resident, Abdellah Hassouni, added "we the people took these decisions positively and tried to pass along the basic piece of

information: it is important to conserve water, a basic substance needed in life and something that could become scarce in 10 or 20 years".

Agriculture accounts for 80% of water consumption in the country, and poor prac-

tices like the overexploitation of groundwater have stretched resources thin.

"Today, the water reserve situation in Morocco has become worrying, as is the case in neighbouring countries due to climate change conditions and the harshness of this summer, which has brought high temperatures. Temperatures have reached their highest lev-

els at 48 and 49 degrees Celsius (118°F-120°F) in the southern and eastern regions, which led to the depletion of big puddles and large reserves of water", confirmed Mustapha Laissate, president of Green Carpet Association in Rabat.

Morocco is aiming to build 100 large dams, 1,000 small dams and 20 seawater desalination plants by 2030.

LSF supports use of census data in accessing justice programming

By Guardian Reporter

LEGAL Services Facility (LSF) has described this year's Population and Human Census as key in providing a valuable resource to assist the legal sector in the planning for access to justice programs as well as the delivery of legal aid services.

LSF chief executive officer, Lulu Ng'wanakilala said that the 2022 Census data will thus provide the facility with a valuable resource to assist the legal sector in the planning for access to justice programs as well as the delivery of legal aid services.

He said that the LSF has interventions that demonstrate new and innovative ways data on how census data is being used to enhance service planning to better meet the needs of community justice.

"With the increase in the needy groups against an age of restricted funding from the government and development partners, LSF is keen to track Census data to help the legal sector align resources prudently for legal assistance services to the vulnerable people needing it the most," she said in a statement.

LSF works to improve access to justice in Mainland Tanzania and Zanzibar, particularly for socially and economically disadvantaged people.

"It has been doing this important work for more than 10 years beginning in 2011. As such, LSF work has very much relied on official national statistics relating to vulnerability and socio-economic conditions to inform its access to justice programming," Lulu said.

LSF has dealt with millions of Tanzanians struggling with matrimonial issues, child marriage, child support and child abuse, property and inheritance for women and girls, labor and employment, tenancy, and disability discrimination among many other community justice problems.

"Through LSF intervention, Tanzania has seen a massive expansion in paralegal services in the rural and remote areas of the country with even geographical distribution of such services. Paralegals have offered a signifi-

cant opportunity to access remote and rural localities where the poor are severely limited in their access to justice. Paralegals have been able to reach large numbers of people in rural and remote areas and offer basic education on the law, both formal and informal, in ways that can be easily understood."

According to her, LSF interventions have also contributed to generating and documenting voluminous data that are gradually being integrated into National statistical systems and used by researchers and stakeholders within and outside Tanzania.

Explaining how PHC data informs access justice programming, Lulu stated that on the issue of illiteracy, the last five national census exercises had illiteracy levels as a key indicator as Tanzania like many other African countries has been battling with low levels of literacy since independence.

Many researchers in Africa, Tanzania inclusive, have cited illiteracy as a significant reason for groups' relative lack of access to justice.

Illiteracy usually goes with a lack of information, and as such, groups of people in this category fail to understand information relating to stipulations of the law on their rights as well as the vindication of rights through courts of law.

"Access to justice research and surveys in Tanzania has established that illiterate people feel intimidated by the formal legal systems like courts of law and would rather engage only with the informal systems." Previous Census information reveals that Women constitute a key group of illiterate people compared to their male counterparts with adult female illiteracy constituting more than 60 percent in the previous census.

The previous Census data also revealed that illiteracy is a high prevalence in rural areas making the rural population more challenged to access justice.

On the household income data, the LSF official said that information relating to household income in the national census in the past has revealed that a significant section of the population in Tanzania lives in serious pov-



erty. According to her, poverty represents a significant challenge to access justice in Tanzania.

"The principal barrier poised by poverty is the inability to meet the costs of legal representation, and in particular for women who are in the lowest income bracket far below their male counterparts," Lulu elaborated.

Data revolution within the framework of sustainable development Goals (SDGs) constitutes a unique opportunity for strengthening the links between statistics and human rights.

A human rights-based approach to the data revolution in the SDGs Agenda entails five pillars--disaggregating human rights and access to justice indicators, whereby human rights standards stipulated in international human rights instruments have prohibited discrimination in terms of income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location, and other characteristics relevant in national contexts. Prohibition against discrimination basing on the

above indicators is a constitutional safeguard under the United Republic of Tanzania Constitution and Zanzibar Constitution.

Thus, statistical data produced through the national census assist in providing the actual number, location, and situation of persons needing protection in the framework of such disaggregated human rights indicators.

Measuring implementation of human rights standards is also another pillar, whereby realization of human rights is achieved by ensuring the availability and accessibility of rights-related services such as healthcare, clean and safe water, universal education, improved detention conditions, etc.

Census data provides the basis for measuring the implementation of such human rights standards by establishing the extent of availability and accessibility of such services to a most vulnerable group of the population on principles of non-discrimination, equality, participation, access to justice and freedom from violence.

It also facilitates the participation of rights holders and stakeholders, which is now a major principle in human rights endeavors--the first step however is to know exactly the different groups of rights holders and the census data provides such a basis.

"From there, all government efforts should be done collaboratively with the rights holders in addressing their needs as a major pillar of human rights. For that reason, therefore even the designing of census questions in many countries now involves the rights holders to ensure capturing of all relevant data.

A good example is the involvement of representatives of persons with disability, women, and girl's rights advocates, and health rights actors who have been evidenced to work closely with the government statistics offices."

Data collection safeguards is also another pillar where the national census exercise itself may be prone to human rights abuse if a framework to ensure human rights safeguard in the collection, processing, and dissemination

tion of data is not legally provided for.

The international human rights system has established three major safeguards in the production of statistical data and these are data confidentiality, non-discrimination, and self-identification. It is important to note that the human rights system exists to facilitate the production of trustworthy statistics.

In modern times, the official statistical system of any country is required to ensure and fully uphold human rights standards like the right to privacy, the right to be registered, and the rights of statisticians who have many times been victims in terms of their own security.

Strengthening accountability frameworks is also meant to ensure the availability and accessibility of robust data in the official statistical system of the country through means like census, the frameworks for accountability can function with efficiency and reliability.

Availability of robust data allows measuring of linkage between the country's human rights commitment through legal and institutional frameworks, efforts to honor the commitments through policy implementation, and the results for the concerned populations using multiple data sources like statistical surveys, administrative records, big data, civil society organizations' interventions, and available human rights mechanisms at national, regional and global levels.

According to the Office of the United Nations High commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), human rights correlate with the availability of sound official statistics. The UN Human Rights Office notes that the last decade has witnessed a growing demand for statistical information emanating from the human rights fields, including from the international human rights mechanisms, states, and Civil Society.

Efforts at national and international levels are increasingly using disaggregated statistics, indicators, targets, and other benchmarks to enable measurement that is more systematic and implementation of human rights, norms, and principles.

Reliable data and statistics provide a powerful tool for focused advocacy, identification of gaps in the realization of human rights, and the creation of a culture of accountability and transparency.

KARACHI

Humanitarian crisis unfolds with Pakistan in the eye of fiercest climate change storm

THE heavy and incessant monsoon downpours across Pakistan in the last two months have triggered floods wreaking havoc across the country, submerging entire villages and vast tracts of land and entrapping people. Anything coming in the way of the relentless water is being destroyed, including roads, bridges, and standing crops.

The Pakistani government has declared a national emergency with more than 30 million without shelter. According to the UN Office for the Co-ordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 66 districts have officially been declared 'calamity hit' by the government of Pakistan - 31 in Balochistan, 23 in Sindh, nine in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), and three in Punjab. Many have likened the destruction to the 2010 super floods.

With government resources stretched and communications networks disrupted, flood survivors complain that help is scarce.

Saeeda Khatoon, 28, likened her village of Zakaria Mahesar to the famous 3rd millennium BC Moenjodaro ruins of the ancient Indus civilization, in her district of Larkana, in Sindh province, after the rains destroyed over 200 houses, some made of mud and straw and others, like hers, of brick. She, along with 11 members of her family, has found temporary shelter on higher ground, under the open sky, unprotected from the vagaries of the unpredictable monsoon rains.

"The water gushed into our home suddenly, and we rushed out just moments before the roof caved in," she said, rendering them homeless. With



A man and his son remove their belongings from their flood-damaged home in Taluka, Shujabad, District Mirpurkhas Taluka, Shujabad, District Mirpurkhas.

"Since the last three days, our teams have been distributing cooked food to nearly 30,000 flood victims who have set up makeshift camps around RDF offices," said Soomro.

"Giving cooked meals is best as it is difficult for the displaced to cook having lost everything," said Aqsa Iqbal, who volunteers with Serve Humanity Together. She suggested: "All those who are providing cooked food to affectees may also want to add drinking water bottles, packed snacks or biscuits, juices and fruits (dates) as well, so that they could have something that does not get spoiled, and they can consume over the next few days." She also said most people urgently needed tents, plastic sheets, and medical aid.

Further, she said, rescue and relief workers were finding it difficult to reach people stuck in remote villages, surrounded by stagnant rainwater.

"Many of these people are young volunteers with a lot of zeal but not professionally trained. Wading through water, even shallow, was difficult, and there is always the fear that they could be bitten by snakes or fall in open potholes," said Iqbal. That is why, she said, it would be best to bring the flood affectees to dry land, where it is easier to provide them with food, water, and medicines.

So far, the NDMA has recorded nearly 680,000 houses affected, of which over 58,000 are in Sindh alone. Up to 19,000 of these homes in Sindh have been destroyed.

"I have never seen a greater catastrophe in my life," said Sindh chief minister Murad Ali Shah after visiting various flood-affected districts of Sindh. He said his government was stretched for funds and had run out of tents and food. Over 10 million people in Sindh have been rendered homeless.

The government of Sindh has formally reached out to NGOs requesting help with rescue and relief work.

Rani Malukhani, a social activist from Khuda Baksh Marri, a village in Sanghar district, said they were starving and sitting on the roadside with nothing to protect them from the lashing rain. "Where is the government; where are the NGOs?" she said over a WhatsApp video phone call, showing how her community was sitting stranded on the roadside.

"Our homes and standing crops have been destroyed," she cried in distress.

"There are close to 700 people in this village, and all are sitting on both sides of the 2-3 km long road under the sky," confirmed Azra Gandehi, who works with the NGO, Research and Development Foundation (RDF). She was visiting the village for a preliminary survey and assessment of the damage so she could return with assistance. "The water is chest deep, and all had to evacuate along with their livestock."

In the neighbouring Mirpur Khas district, things are no better. Motan Bheel, 52, and her five children and two goats, belonging to Jhudo village, had to wade through waist-deep water to reach the safety of the bank of Puraan (a sub-drain that collects saline water, agricultural effluent, and floodwater to the Arabian Sea). "There is water all around us, but not a drop to drink," she said. "We have not received any help from the government, NGOs or philanthropists."

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water still waist deep, she said there was no way of retrieving their belongings from under the debris.

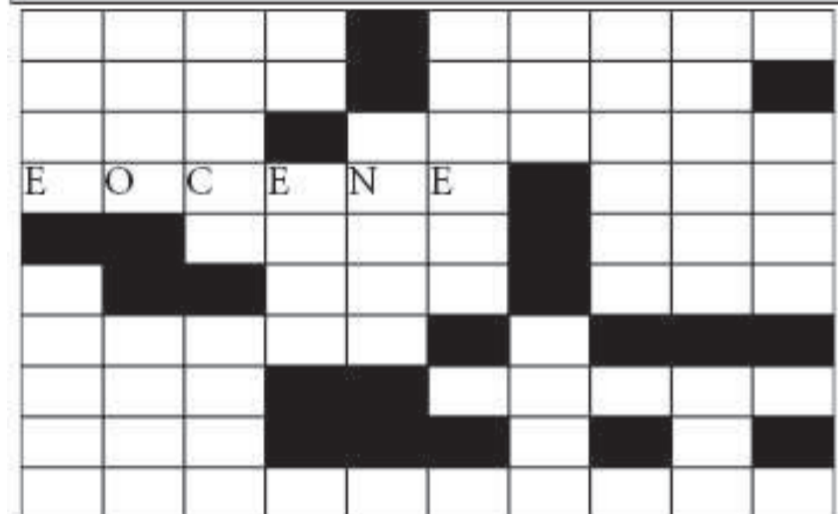
The monsoon season hit Pakistan this year in June, earlier than usual. Torrential rains continued well into July, with 181% above average rainfall. The Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) said it rained 177.5mm against its normal of 63.1mm, making this July the wettest since 1961.

"July 2022 rainfall was excessively above average over Balochistan (+450%) and Sindh (+307%), both rank as the wettest ever during past 62 years," said the PMD's monthly summary. And the rains continue to batter the country well into the end of August, spreading more destruction across the provinces of Punjab, KP, and the mountainous region of Gilgit-Baltistan, after annihilating Balochistan and Sindh.

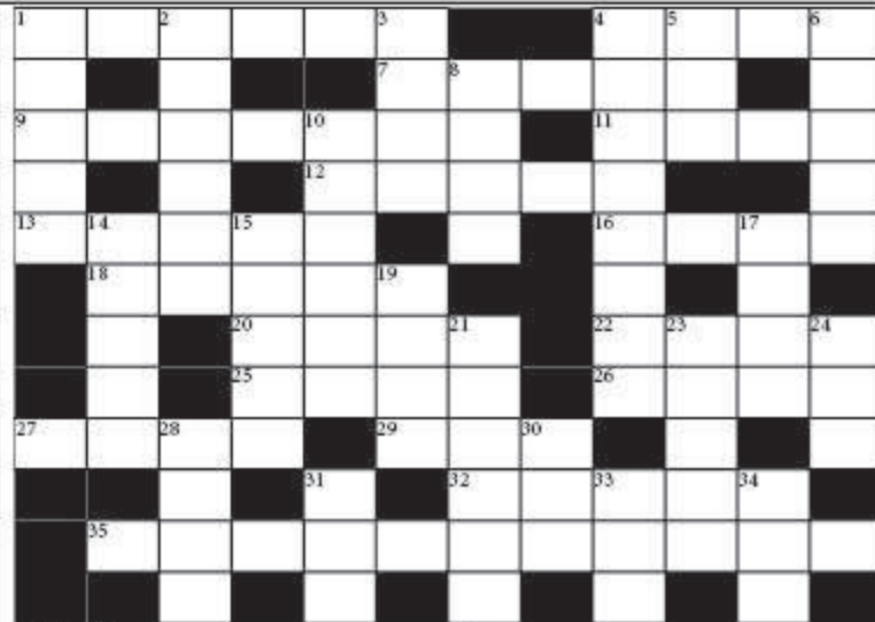
According to the National Disaster Management Authority, the rains have caused havoc across Pakistan, claiming nearly 1,000 lives and more than 1400 rain-related injuries since June. More than half the casualties are from Balochistan and Sindh province.

Over 3,000 km of road network has been damaged, of which over 2,300 km is in Sindh, making it difficult for the government and non-governmental organizations to reach and rescue. "The whole province is inundated with flood water, and roads are battered; it is difficult to reach and provide relief," said Inayatullah Ismail, senior manager, coordination at the non-profit Al Khidmat Welfare Society. "We are providing tents to the displaced people and will be setting up kitchens on the highways where people are seeking refuge."

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BUSINESS

DSE share indices open the week on high notes

By Guardian Reporter

THE Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange (DSE) share indices opened the week on green trends, following the appreciation of CRDB Bank Plc and East Africa Breweries Limited (EABL) share prices and unchanged prices of the remaining listed companies.

The market report show Tanzania Share Index (TSI) which measures the performances of locally listed companies gained by 9.88 points to 3,900.78 points on Monday close, from 3890.90 points recorded during the end of last week. The DSE All Shares Index (DSEI) opened the week by gaining 8.83 points to 1,903.72 points on Monday close, from 1894.89 points recorded during

the last trading of last week.

According to the report, CRDB Bank share price appreciated by 2.50 percent to 410/- on Monday close from 400/- on Friday's close, pushing up its market capitalization to 1,070.85bn/- from 1,044.74bn/- respectively.

The EABL Plc share price also increased by 2.08 percent to 2,940/- on Monday's close from 2,880/- recorded during Friday's close, increasing its market capitalization to 2,324.88bn/- from 2,277.43bn/- respectively.

The appreciation of two companies share prices also pushed up total market capitalization to 15.86trn/ from 15.79trn/- respectively.

However, trading activity closed low on Monday, compared with Friday last



All shares traded during the day were sold by local investors. PHOTO/FILE

week, after a turnover of 50.5mn/- recorded from trading 104,210 shares in 44 deals, against a turnover of 1.4bn/- from

trading 902,774 shares traded in 51 deals on Friday.

Top mover during the opening day of

the week was CRDB Bank Plc, which recorded a turnover of 37.1mn/ after transacting 90,616 shares traded in 29 deals

at a price ranging from 400/- to 420/- per share.

NMB Bank Plc was the second top mover after recording a turnover of 5.4mn/- from a transaction of 1,913 shares traded in four deals at a price ranging from 2,800/- and 2,940/- per share.

The third top mover was NICO which recorded a turnover of 3.6mn/- after transacting 10,000 shares in three deals at a price of 360/- per share.

The fourth top mover was Tanzania Portland Cement Company Limited (TPCCL) after recording the turnover of 3.2mn/- through transaction of 848 shares traded in five deals at a price ranging from 3,820/- and 3,860/- per share.

Other mover included Tanga Cement Company Limited (TCCL) which recorded a turnover of 1.12mn/ from transaction of 693 shares traded in one deal.

The market report shows foreign investors injected 2.6mn/- from buying shares, which was 4.08 percent of total value of buying transactions, while local investors injected the remaining 95.92 percent of the value. All shares traded during the day were sold by local investors.

Dubai's Desalytics water solutions expands to Tanzania

By Guardian Reporter

DESALYTICS, a provider of water solutions with a focus on consumables and services for water treatment and quality, has expanded its activities in East Africa by establishing a new subsidiary in Dar es Salaam.

Desalytics says it will assist municipal and industrial clients in Africa in resolving their water-related issues through working with young entrepreneurs to help them expand their current businesses or enter the water sector.

Explaining on the new Tanzanian subsidiary's strategic importance, Desalytics General Manager Walid Khoury (pictured) said this comes after experiencing that East Africa has experienced high single-digit economic development before the pandemic, and with it comes greater pressures on the water resources.

"Desalytics can assist Tanzanian industrial and municipal players with water treatment and quality measurement at various stages of their operations, ensuring that the treatment is effective, affordable, and water is safe," he said in a press release.

Khoury continues, "Africa is thriving with budding young businesses. By providing them with the tools and guidance they need to succeed, we help them realize their full potential. And what more worthy goal could there be than preparing future engineers to address Africa's water problems".

He said Desalytics is on track to eventually operate in 20 nations in Sub-Saharan Africa after the new subsidiary' in Tanzania.

"Desalytics brings a diverse portfolio of water testing and water treatment consumables and services while developing water industry talent in Tanzania," he noted.



Desalytics offers a diverse portfolio of water testing and water treatment consumables and services in Sub-Saharan Africa through strategic partnerships and an innovative impact investing business model.

"We help municipal and industrial customers produce reliable water, optimize processes, and maximize returns at a competitive cost through expertise, technologies, and local footprint," he added.

Desalytics was established in 2020 to help municipal and industrial customers produce reliable water, optimize processes, maximize returns at a competitive cost through expertise, technologies, and local footprint.

The company partners with young African entrepreneurs and helps them start or scale their businesses and create jobs through working capital injection, mentoring programs, and global supplier relationships.

Reports show winners, losers of mobile telecoms market share

By Guardian Reporter

MOBILE telecommunication operators are continuing to battle for subscribers market share, after the recent report showed winners and losers of the market for the year ending June.

The quarterly report shows mobile telecommunications subscribers amounted 56.22 million as at June this year from 53.18 million recorded during the period ended in June last year.

Top market winner, in terms of market share was Tigo Tanzania which increased its share to 27 percent by June this year from 24.5 percent recorded in June last year, with number of subscribers reaching 14,923,064 from 13,011,395 respectively, making it the third largest.

Vodacom Tanzania, which accounts for nearly a third of market share also improved its number to 31 percent in June this year from 30 percent in June last year, with number of subscribers jumped to 17,192,496 from 15,980,922 respectively.



Tanzania Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (TCRA) head office in Dar es Salaam PHOTO/FILE

Airtel Tanzania also managed to slightly expand its market share to 27 percent from 26.6 percent after increasing number of subscribers to 15,290,789 during the end of June this year from 14,162,213 recorded during the end of June last year, making it the second largest.

The report shows Tanzania Telecommunication Company Limited (TTCL), the government wholly-owned market share closed at 3 percent from 2.4 percent respectively, as number of subscribers increased to 1,783,301 in June this year from 1,300,295 recorded in June 2021.

However, Halotel Tanzania lost part of their market share during the period reviewed to 12 percent in June this year from 13 percent in June last year with number of subscribers slowed to 7,021,425 in June this year from 7,581,691 in June last year.

Smile and Zantel also lost their market shares to 0 percent each in June

this year from 0.02 percent and 2.1 percent in June last year.

However, smile managed to increase its subscribers to 13,672 in June this year from 11,120 in June last year while there was no data for Zantel for June this year, as the telecom was combined by Tigo. In June last year the company had 1,135,015 subscribers.

Tigo and Zantel merged in November 2019, whereby the two combined their operations in the mainland and on the archipelago of Zanzibar.

In April this year, Axian Group of Madagascar announced that it has partnered with Mr Aziz to close the \$100 million acquisition of Tigo and Zantel in Tanzania.

The new owners of the local telecommunication companies Tigo and Zantel in later month outlined future plans to invest over trn/- in strengthening network coverage, especially in the rural areas where there is potential.

Oil price edges down as high inflation to impact demands

VIENNA

OIL prices dipped on Tuesday, paring some gains from the previous session, as the market feared that more aggressive interest rates hikes from central banks may lead to a global economic slowdown and soften fuel demand.

Brent crude futures for October settlement dropped 56 cents, or 0.5 percent, to \$104.53 a barrel by 0620 GMT, after climbing 4.1 percent on Monday, the biggest increase in more than a month.

The October contract expires on Wednesday and the more active November contract was at \$102.57, down 0.4 percent.

US West Texas Intermediate crude was at \$96.86 a barrel, down 14 cents, or 0.1%, following a 4.2 percent rise in the previous session.

Inflation is near double-digit territory in many of the world's biggest economies, a level not seen in close to a half century, which could prompt central banks in the United States and Europe to resort to more aggressive interest rate hikes.

"Risk appetite has cooled over an anticipation that the

Federal Reserve would continue to increase interest rates ... A pull-back of natural gas prices in Europe also adds uncertainties to the picture of energy crisis," said analysts from Haitong Futures.

Also weighing on prices, Russia's oil output has exceeded expectations in the wake of the war in Ukraine, the head of the International Energy Agency (IEA) said on Monday. But he said that Moscow, which calls its actions in Ukraine "a special operation", will find it increasingly difficult to uphold production as Western sanctions begin to bite.

IEA members nations could release more oil from strategic petroleum reserves (SPR) if they find it necessary when the current scheme expires, the head of the agency also said.

However, political violence on Monday night in Iraq, OPEC's second-largest producer, supported prices.

Government security forces and militias loyal to Shi'ite cleric Moqtada al-Sadr clashed around the Green Zone that houses government headquarters and embassies in the capital Baghdad, killing 20, in a long-running dispute over the formation of a new government since elections last year.

"As a major oil exporter with an output of over 4 million barrels per day, (Iraq's) domestic situation has no less im-



act on oil prices than Iran," Haitong's analysts said.

Also offering some support to prices is tight supply. Saudi Arabia, top producer in the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), last week raised the possibil-

ity of production cuts, which sources said could coincide with a boost in supply from Iran should it clinch a nuclear deal with the West.

OPEC+, comprising OPEC, Russia and allied producers, meets to set policy on Sept. 5.

The American Petroleum Institute, an industry group, is due to release data on U.S. crude inventories on Tuesday with the Energy Information Administration, the statistical arm of the U.S. Department of Energy, to follow on Wednesday.

WORLD

Angola's governing party wins election, extends long rule

LISBON

ANGOLA'S electoral commission on Monday declared the ruling MPLA, in power for nearly five decades since independence, the winner of last week's national election, handing President Joao Lourenco a second term amid concerns about possible fraud.

The commission gave the ex-Marxist People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola a 51.17 percent majority after all votes were counted. Its longtime opponent, the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, got 43.95 percent, its best result ever.

Fewer than half of Angola's registered voters turned out for Wednesday's election which, despite being the closest fought yet, extends the rule of the MPLA that has ruled since independence from Portugal in 1975 and defeated UNITA in a long civil war.

UNITA leader Adalberto Costa Junior has rejected the results, citing discrepancies between the commission's count and the main opposition coalition's own tally.

Analysts fear any dispute could ignite mass street protests and possible violence among a poor and frustrated youth who voted for Costa Junior.

"The international community perceives this election as being free, fair

and transparent," Lourenco told a news conference after the final results.

He promised more jobs for the young, in a country where half of under-25s are jobless and few feel the benefit of its vast oil wealth.

Concerns of fraud

Local observers said the elections were free. International observers from the Southern African Development Community said the vote was calm and peaceful, but noted an insufficient number of local observers.

The head of the Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLP) election observers' mission, Jorge Carlos Fonseca, a former president of Cape Verde, told CNN Portugal that the mission's initial assessment did not say the vote was fair and free.

He said that around 2.7 million deceased people were included in the electoral roll, party delegates at polling stations did not have access to the roll and some candidates were given more air time than others.

A European Union spokesperson said in a statement the election was conducted in a "peaceful environment" but said it was aware of complaints by the opposition and civil society on "some shortcomings in the electoral process".

It said stakeholders should use all "le-



In this file photo taken on Nov 2, 2021 Angola's President Joao Lourenco makes a national statement on the second day of the COP26 UN Climate Summit in Glasgow. AFP

gal remedies to address their concerns" and urged authorities to "make every possible efforts to respond to them in a fair and transparent manner".

With a new, centralised vote-counting system, first provisional results were announced just hours after polling stations closed, and the final tally was available a few days later, in what was the fastest result ever.

'Resolve grievances'

If Costa Junior decides to dispute the result, he must lodge a complaint with the electoral commission. If that is rejected, he can challenge the result in the Constitutional Court, which must rule within 72 hours.

He has urged his supporters to remain calm. The MPLA and UNITA, formerly anti-colonial guerrilla groups, were on opposing sides of a civil war since independence in 1975 until 2002, when Angolan troops killed UNITA's rebel leader, Jonas Savimbi.

The US, which backed UNITA in the civil war, called on all parties to "express themselves peacefully and to resolve any grievances in accordance with applicable legal processes under Angolan law".

"We will continue to closely follow the elec-

toral process," said US State Department deputy spokesperson Vedant Patel.

Despite losing the election, UNITA has nearly doubled to 90 its seats in the 220-seat parliament, for the first time depriving the MPLA of the two-thirds majority needed to pass major reforms. The ruling party will need the backing of opposition lawmakers to pass legislation.

UNITA won in Luanda, Angola's most populous province, and in Cabinda and Zaire, the provinces which produce most of the country's oil.

The final tally came a day after the funeral of Angola's long-serving ex-ruler and MPLA stalwart, Jose Eduardo dos Santos, who died in Spain in July.

Lourenco, 68, has pledged to press on with reforms in his second term, including privatising poorly run state assets and continuing to clean up corruption after investigating wealthy and powerful members of the Dos Santos family.

But his reforms have so far failed to create a fairer distribution of Angola's vast oil wealth, which remains mostly in the hands of a few well-connected MPLA officials.

Agencies

'Return money stolen from Afghans': Russia tells US to pay for 20-year occupation

UNITED NATIONS

RUSSIAN Permanent Representative to the UN Vasily Nebenzya called on his US counterpart Linda Thomas-Greenfield to return the money stolen from the Afghan people, instead of trying to make others pay for someone else's bills during the UN Security Council meeting on Afghanistan.



Thomas-Greenfield claimed during the meeting that Russia allegedly contributes too little to funding the restoration of Afghanistan.

"From the long-winded speculations of our US colleagues, this could be perceived as a call to Russia and China to pay for the restoration of Afghanistan. Allegedly, it is the US and its allies who are paying for everything, while all that Russia and China only do is just empty talk."

"The cynicism of such claims is simply shocking. We are being called upon to pay for restoring the country, whose economy was effectively destroyed by the 20-year-long occupation by the US and NATO," the diplomat noted. "Instead of admitting it's own mistakes and trying to fix them, we are being accused of being unwilling to pay for someone else's bill. It is an interesting proposal."

"No, our dear former Western partners, it is you who must pay for your own mistakes," the diplomat specified. "And, for starters, it is necessary to return the money stolen from the Afghan people back to them. We have been helping and will help Afghanistan. And we suggest that you focus on paying the bills to the Afghan people for the 20 years of [your] pointless occupation, which destroyed Afghanistan and which put its people on the brink of survival."

"Not everything can be measured in money. The lives of those who died during your imposition of democracy in Afghanistan cannot be measured with money; nor can money buy the loyalty of the people of Afghanistan, which the US has completely lost, apparently," Nebenzya insisted.

Pakistan floods cost at least \$10 billion, planning minister says

ISLAMABAD

EARLY estimates put the damage from Pakistan's recent deadly floods at more than \$10 billion, its planning minister said on Monday, adding the world has an obligation to help the South Asian nation cope with the effects of man-made climate change.

Unprecedented flash floods caused by historic monsoon rains have washed away roads, crops, infrastructure and bridges, killing at least 1,000 people in recent weeks and affecting more than 33 million, over 15% of the country's 220 million population.

The climate change minister has called the situation a "climate-induced humanitarian disaster of epic proportions."

"I think it is going to be huge. So far, (a) very early, preliminary estimate is that it is big, it is higher than \$10 billion," Ahsan Iqbal told Reuters in an interview.

"So far we have lost 1,000 human lives. There is damage to almost nearly one million houses," Iqbal said at his office.

"People have actually lost their complete livelihood." Iqbal rated the recent floods worst than those that hit Pakistan in 2010, for which United Nations had issued its largest ever disaster appeal.

The minister said it might take five years to rebuild and rehabilitate the nation, while in the near term it will be confronted with acute food shortages.

To mitigate food shortfalls, Finance Minister Miftah Ismail said the country could consider importing vegetables from arch-rival India.

The two neighboring countries have not had any trade for a long time.

"We can consider importing vegetables from India," Ismail told local Geo News TV, adding other possible sources of food imports included Turkey and Iran.

Food prices have already shot up due to flooded crops and impassable roads.

India Prime Minister Narendra Modi said he was saddened by the devastation caused by the floods.

Climate change victim

Social media users posted videos showing stranded people and whole families washed away by floodwater. Reuters was unable to independently verify the footage.

Southern, southwestern and northern Pakistan have been the hardest hit by the floods, which have swept large swaths of farmland and stored crops, also isolating the regions from rest of the country for the last several days.

Agencies

Chinese envoy: Avoid repeat of tragedy in Afghanistan

UNITED NATIONS

ZHANG Jun, China's permanent representative to the United Nations, on Monday described the 20-year-war waged by foreign troops in Afghanistan as fiasco, stressing that the tragedy in Afghanistan should never be allowed to repeat.

The fiasco has once again proved that military intervention and power politics are not the right way, foreign models and democratic transformation cannot win the hearts and minds of the people, Zhang told a Security Council briefing on Afghanistan, adding that "the tragedy in Afghanistan should never be allowed to repeat."

The withdrawal of foreign troops is not the end of responsibility, but rather the beginning of reflection and correction. The countries concerned should have seriously reflected on their mistakes and corrected them in a timely man-



Zhang Jun (center front), China's permanent representative to the United Nations, speaks during the Security Council emergency meeting on Ukraine at the UN headquarters in New York, Feb 21, 2022. File photo

ner, instead of walking away with a shrug of shoulders, he said.

"Regrettably, rather than fulfilling their due responsibilities, relevant countries have cut off development aid, frozen Afghan assets, and imposed political isolation and blockade. This is not only just evading responsibility and abandoning the Afghan people,

but also perpetuating the mistakes and exacerbating the sufferings of the Afghan people," he said.

With the withdrawal of foreign troops, the Afghan people have an opportunity to truly take control of their own destiny, the envoy said, noting that the past year has seen the Afghan interim government in action and significant improve-

ment of the security situation.

China expects the Afghan interim government to pursue sound and inclusive domestic and foreign policies, actively safeguard and improve people's livelihood, resolutely combat terrorism, and live in harmony with all countries, including its neighbors, Zhang said.

The international community should enhance its engagement with the Afghan interim government in a rational and pragmatic manner, he said.

Citing the grave humanitarian situation in Afghanistan, Zhang said that it is ethically hypothetical and practically lethal to claim to care about the rights of Afghan women and girls, while slashing humanitarian aid to the country and stubbornly maintaining unilateral sanction against the country.

He urged the United States to return the frozen assets to Afghanistan in full without delay and con-

ditions.

Afghanistan's overseas assets belong to the Afghan people, and freezing these assets is tantamount to depriving them of their life-saving money, Zhang said.

"We urge the international community, especially the countries responsible for the war, to take concrete actions to continue helping the Afghan people, not to abandon them or punish them. Afghanistan needs the help of the international community, and the world also needs a peaceful and stable Afghanistan," he said.

As the largest neighbor of Afghanistan, China has always firmly supported its peace, stability and development, and has been making huge efforts in this regard, Zhang said.

"China has always delivered on its promise of assistance that benefits Afghan people and reflect equality and mutual respect," said the envoy.

Xinhua

Ethiopia ready to negotiate on Nile dam under AU's patronage - ambassador

KHARTOUM

ETHIOPIA on Monday expressed readiness to negotiate with Sudan and Egypt on the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) under the patronage of the African Union (AU).

"Addis Ababa is convinced that all issues can be resolved through dialogue and negotiations," said Yibeltal Aemero, Ethiopian ambassador in Khartoum, at

a press conference here on Monday. He said that "the third filling of the GERD had been successfully completed without harm to Sudan or negative effects on the two downstream countries" (Sudan and Egypt).

He added that the filling has lessened the effects of floods in Sudan despite Khartoum's recent claims that the dam would negatively affect 20 million Sudanese citizens.

On Aug. 12, the Ethiopian government announced the successful completion of the third filling of the GERD.

Sudan, Egypt, and Ethiopia have been negotiating under the patronage of the AU over technical and legal issues related to the filling and operation of the GERD.

Sudan proposed a mediation quartet of the United Nations, the European Union, the United States, and the AU re-

garding the GERD issue, while Ethiopia rejected the proposal.

Ethiopia, which started building the GERD in 2011, expects to produce more than 6,000 megawatts of electricity from the project, while Egypt and Sudan, both downstream Nile Basin countries that rely on the river for its fresh water, are concerned that the dam might affect their water resources.

Xinhua

China's foreign trade growth sees stable recovery in January-July period

CHINA'S foreign trade maintained double-digit growth in the first seven months of this year, despite the unfavorable external situation, intermittent COVID-19 impacts and other negative factors.

The country's foreign trade volume reached 23.6 trillion yuan (\$3.49 trillion) between January and July, increasing 10.4 percent year-on-year, according to statistics released by the General Administration of Customs (GAC).

In particular, exports grew 14.7 percent year-on-year to 13.37 trillion yuan, and imports reached 10.23 trillion yuan, up 5.3 percent. The country's trade surplus expanded 62.1 percent to 3.14 trillion yuan during the same period.

The ASEAN, the EU, the U.S. and South Korea maintained the four largest trading partners of China in the January-July period. Their trade volume with China stood at 3.53 trillion yuan, 3.23 trillion yuan, 2.93 trillion yuan and 1.39 trillion yuan, up 13.2 percent, 8.9 percent, 11.8 percent and 8.9 percent, respectively.

China's trade volume with Belt and Road countries expanded 19.8 percent year on year, and that with the 14 Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) economies was up by 7.5 percent in the first seven months of this year.

In the first half of this year, Shang-

hai's foreign trade had withstood the test of the Pandemic. With the acceleration of the resumption of work and production, Shanghai's local economy has returned to normal, strongly boosting the city's imports and exports.

In June, Shanghai's foreign trade growth turned positive, standing at 9.6 percent, up 46.2 percentage points from that in April.

"Both the numbers of incoming containers and enterprises' pickups have significantly increased. We are currently working at full capacity," said customs officer Wei Jianhua from Shanghai's Wusong district. Wei

told People's Daily that the Wusong customs handled 37,000 batches of goods in June, up 46.3 percent from a year ago and 370 percent from a month ago.

Statistics indicate that Shanghai municipality, as well as Jiangsu, Zhejiang and Anhui provinces, all of which are located in the Yangtze River delta, reported combined foreign trade growth of 11.7 percent in the January-July period, up 2.5 percentage points from that in the first half of this year. The figure was 25.7 percent in July alone, contributing over half to the national foreign trade growth.

According to statistics, China's

trade with RCEP partners reached 1.17 trillion yuan in July, up 18.8 percent year on year, boosting China's overall foreign trade growth by 5.6 percentage points.

"The policy dividends released by the RCEP have helped us expand the overseas market. We'll learn more about the requirements on imports from China set by Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam and other RCEP members, so as to introduce our products to these countries," said Zhang Hao, who heads a high-tech company in south China's Inner Mongolia autonomous region.

Recently, a batch of sea-buckthorn

drinks weighing 115 tons and worth 1.62 million yuan produced by Zhang's company received a certificate of origin under the RCEP. These products will enjoy a tariff cut of over 30,000 yuan when exported to Japan.

The company has exported 2,556 tons of sea-buckthorn drinks and capsules this year, with a total value of 35.16 million yuan.

"The tariff for our formic acid exports to Japan has been reduced to zero from 4.3 percent, while that for hexafluoropropylene from 3.1 percent to 0.3 percent," said Zhang Guoqing, director of the sales division of Luxi Chemical Corp, a chemicals company based in east China's Shandong province.

People's Daily

Sanctions hamper Russian gas supplies to Europe – Kremlin

MOSCOW

NOTHING hampers the supply of Russian gas to Europe, except sanctions-related technological problems, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters yesterday.

Gas supplies to Europe via the Nord Stream gas pipeline will be suspended for three days from August 31 due to the repair of the only gas pumping unit remaining in operation.

"For sure, apart from technological problems caused by sanctions, nothing hampers supplies. Russia was and remains ready to fulfill all its obligations," the Kremlin spokesman said in response to a question about whether there are guarantees of resuming supplies via this route after the work was completed.

He recalled that EU countries, the UK, Canada and the US had imposed sanctions against Russia, which "do not allow normal service and repair work, and gives no rooms for the legal registration of the return of necessary units and assemblies to their places of operation." There are no other obstacles facing Russia to fulfill its obligations, Peskov noted.

"This concerns those irrational actions of Europeans, which are very difficult to understand and, probably, impossible to explain, but for which ordinary citizens have to pay a lot," he concluded.

The Nord Stream gas pipeline, which supplies gas from Russia to Europe, has been operating at about 20% of its maximum capacity since July 27 due to the shutdown of several gas turbines.

One of them, made in Canada by Siemens Energy, was sent to Montreal for repairs. Due to Ottawa's sanctions against Russia, the manufacturer initially refused to return the repaired turbine to Germany, but after numerous requests from Berlin, the company decided to do it.

On July 25, Gazprom announced the forced shutdown of another gas turbine engine at the Portovaya compressor station. Consequently, only one turbine remains in operation.

US Department of Justice completes review of documents seized in Trump raid

WASHINGTON

THE U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) on Monday finished examining documents seized in the raid of former President Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago residence in Florida.

The completion of the review could undermine Trump's legal team's efforts to prevent any such examination of the documents until a third party is appointed to review them.

This comes just days after a federal judge in Florida on Saturday signaled she could appoint a "special master" to review some of the documents obtained in the raid. U.S. District Judge Aileen Cannon, who had been appointed by Trump himself, did not order a review but rather said she had a "preliminary intent" to do so. That was after the judge heard arguments in her courtroom on Thursday.

Trump's legal team had filed a request last week for a third party to look over the documents that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents obtained during the Aug. 8 raid of the former president's Mar-a-Lago residence.

The FBI raid of a former president's home sparked outrage from Republican lawmakers and conservative media. The FBI claimed it had "probable cause" that warranted a raid, as the bureau believed it would find "evidence of obstruction" -- a crime in the United States -- at Trump's residence.

Trump's legal team said the search was too broad and noted that agents whisked away the former president's passports. On Friday, Bruce Reinhart, another federal judge, ordered the release of a copy of the search warrant affidavit that allegedly described how agents in May had discovered nearly 200 documents that were marked according to how secret they were.

Those documents were located in boxes at Trump's Florida address. But the affidavit was so heavily redacted that entire pages were blacked out, according to U.S. media.

The affidavit said 25 of those documents were labeled "top secret." Sixty-seven were marked as "confidential" and 92 labeled "secret." White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre on Monday emphasized that the FBI is conducting an independent investigation and that "we have not been involved."

That came after critics' accusations that the White House is using the DOJ -- whose head was appointed by U.S. President Joe Biden -- to prevent Trump from running for re-election against Biden in 2024.

Meanwhile, Trump on Sunday took to Truth Social, the social media platform he founded, to claim the FBI and DOJ were engaged in election interference "at the highest and most dishonest level our country has ever seen before, both in the Midterms, and the 2024 Presidential Election."

That followed a Trump post on Saturday that the FBI raid was a "disgrace to our now Third World Nation!" Trump called the raid an "unprecedented, unnecessary, and unannounced FBI/DOJ Raid (Break-In!) of my home, Mar-a-Lago."

This assault was done for political purposes just prior to the Midterm Elections (and 2024, of course!). It is a disgrace to our now Third World Nation!"

Trump posted. The FBI raid has caused a GOP uproar, with Republican lawmakers alleging that the action has turned the leader of the West into a "banana Republic."

Republican Florida Governor Ron DeSantis labeled the search "another escalation in the weaponization of federal agencies against the Regime's political opponents."

Experts: Nuclear deal survival 'up to the US'

HONG KONG

THE longevity of any newly restored Iran nuclear deal will depend on the United States who unilaterally abandoned the original pact in 2018, according to experts.

The expert comments came as the US irons out concessions with Iran with a possible resurrection of the scuppered 2015 deal on the horizon.

The analysts also said Iran's re-engagement with the world economy, currently limited by US-led sanctions, through a renewal of the deal, would offer relief to a global system which has been battered by the COVID-19 pandemic and the Ukraine-Russia conflict.

In a press conference in Tehran on Aug 29, Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi said that the lifting of anti-Iran sanctions and unfreezing of Iranian assets abroad have been at the core of the nuclear talks.

He said that Iran did not seek to develop nuclear weapons but would employ nuclear technology for civilian purposes and that Iran's nuclear industry and nuclear capability "are the right of the Islamic Republic and the people of Iran."

Raisi said his country seeks to use nuclear technology in agriculture, oil and gas, medicine and many other civilian sectors and that safeguard issues should be resolved before reaching an agreement between Iran and other signatories to the deal, namely China, France, Russia, the UK and the US plus Germany.

He was referring to reports from the International Atomic Energy Agency, or IAEA, about the alleged "discovery of uranium traces" in three locations that "has not been announced" by Iran. Iran insists the accusations are "political" and that the case should be closed "forever."



Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi speaks during a press conference in Tehran on Aug 29 2022. (STR / AFP)

Jawaid Iqbal, chairman of the Department of West Asian and North African Studies at Aligarh Muslim University in India, said the latest mediated talks by the European Union between Iran and the US regarding the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, or JCPOA, "will not play out in a simple manner."

Iqbal said that Tehran has laid down three conditions for accepting the EU's proposals, which include the lifting of sanctions, the guarantee that no future US president would renege on the nuclear deal if it were revived, and the closure of the IAEA's probe into several Iranian nuclear sites, where man-made nuclear particles were

found several years ago.

"The US has been unwilling to allow these concessions due to the presence of hawkish foreign policy experts in US President Joe Biden's administration and the pressure being applied by the Zionist lobby," Iqbal said.

"The planned visit of Mossad head David Barnea to Washington next week for talks on the Iranian nuclear deal is indicative of the fact that anti-Iranian hysteria will continue to act as a stumbling block in the restoration of the JCPOA," he added.

English language online newspaper Times of Israel reported on Aug 28 that Barnea, the chief of Israel's intelligence agency, will travel to Wash-

ington next week to discuss the Iran deal, which Barnea and Israeli senior government officials have criticized as a bad deal.

The report said a senior Israeli government official confirmed that the White House was aware of Barnea's trip but was keeping quiet on whether the Biden administration was involved in its planning.

Despite the challenges, Arhama Siddiq, a Middle East expert and research fellow at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad in Pakistan, said that the US and Iran appear to have resolved many "bones of contention" that have been impediments to the revival of the deal - something which

was "unthinkable even until last year."

She said it would not have been possible had it not been for the Russia-Ukraine standoff earlier this year, which has left a significant gap in the supply of oil.

"The longevity of the deal will depend upon a concrete assurance by the US to not unilaterally withdraw from the deal as it did the last time. It should acknowledge that Iran and Russia are staunch partners as is Iran and China - and the US should not let Iran's bilateral relations cloud its judgment," Siddiq said.

Negotiations on the revival of the 2015 nuclear deal began in April last year in the Austrian capital of Vienna but were suspended in March this year because of political differences between Tehran and Washington.

The latest round of the nuclear talks was held in Austria's capital Vienna in early August after a five-month hiatus. On Aug 8, the EU put forward a "final text" of the draft decision on reviving the 2015 nuclear deal.

"The Russia-Ukraine standoff has been heavy, yes, globally, but primarily for European countries. Russia supplied the EU with 40 percent of its natural gas last year. Revival of the JCPOA means resumption of Iranian gas exports globally," Siddiq said.

"With a renewal of the deal, there can be a resumption of Iranian oil and gas exports worldwide, thus filling the void and much needed relief for conflict fatigued global consumers," Siddiq added.

Agencies

Economic blocs seen to serve US goals in supply chains

IN recent months, business advisers and scholars have raised sharp questions over the feasibility and the geopolitical intentions behind a slew of fresh exclusive economic blocs being pushed by the United States.

These new groupings have campaigned for a "free and open" economy, but the real plan is to secure US economic and geopolitical hegemony at the cost of existing relevant regional cooperation platforms and the very interests of countries around the world, they said.

The Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity was launched during US President Joe Biden's visit to Japan in May.

The first in-person ministerial meeting of the framework is expected to be held Sept 8 and 9 in Los Angeles, Japan's Kyodo News agency quoted government sources as saying.

Aside from the US, the framework comprises 13 nations, including Australia, Japan, South Korea and some ASEAN member countries.

"The framework, known as the IPEF, is aimed at balancing Beijing's rising economic clout in the fast-growing region," Kyodo said.

Many business advisers, media and experts warned that the framework offers limited value for the Asian nations involved.

German broadcaster Deutsche Welle said the framework is not about a free-trade pact and that it boasts "high-standard commitments" to "deepen economic engagement".

The framework is an executive agreement that "will not require congressional approval, meaning that it will lack the force of law within the United States and will be at the mercy of changing political winds", South Korea's JoongAng Daily newspaper said on Aug 21.

Deborah Elms, founder and executive director of trade policy analyst the Asian Trade Centre in Singapore, said in a briefing for the National Press Foundation last month that "almost nothing in the Trans-Pacific Partnership is in IPEF."

The Trans-Pacific Partnership was a free-trade agreement that the administration of then US president Donald Trump withdrew from in 2017.

Wang Peng, a research fellow at Huazhong University of Science and



This March 27, 2020 photo shows the White House in Washington D.C., the United States. File photo

Technology's Institute of State Governance, said the framework of the IPEF is "a combination featuring strong ideological values and norms "when pursuing a resilient and flexible supply chain that will minimize their ties with China.

"Engaging countries like Japan and South Korea will help sustain the US comparative advantage in cutting-edge sectors such as semiconductors and chips," he said.

At the same time, the US "aims to keep its allies and partners locked in various economic and defense arrangements" as it keeps lobbying the framework, contracting countries such as India and those in Southeast Asia to replace China's role in some middle- and low-end supply chains, he added.

Xu Liping, director of the Center of Southeast Asian Studies of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, said there are seven ASEAN countries among the framework's founding members.

"Joining the framework may sow discord and lead to conflict of interests between China and the seven ASEAN countries, and may mean more pressure on them when they are required by Washington to take a side between China and US," Xu said.

Separately, a group called The Partners in the Blue Pacific, an initiative including Australia, Japan, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the US, mainly offering aid to Pacific island countries, was announced on June 24.

More African countries regret Morocco's absence from TICAD

RABAT

JOINING other African countries, the Central African Republic, Burundi, and Equatorial Guinea have all regretted Morocco's absence from the 8th edition of the Tokyo International Conference on Africa Development (TICAD), which was held over the weekend in Tunis.

As a result of Tunisia's abrupt abandonment of its decades-old neutrality in the Western Sahara dispute by inviting the Polisario leader Brahim Ghali to the TICAD, Morocco decided to boycott the conference, escalating tensions between the two neighboring countries.

"The Central African Republic supports the statement of President Macky Sall, Chairman-in-Office of the African Union regarding the absence of Morocco and the failure to comply with the rules established for participation in this Summit," said the country's President Faustin Archange Touadera at the conference.

Macky Sall, President of Senegal and current Chairman of the African Union, had expressed regret that Morocco, "a prominent member of the African Union," was not present at TICAD.

The Senegalese president also urged Rabat and Tunis to work toward finding "a lasting solution in the future for the smooth running of our organization and our partnership in a serene and peaceful way."

Also expressing regret over Morocco's absence from the TICAD summit was Burundian President Evariste Ndayishimiye.

"We regret the absence of the Kingdom of Morocco from TICAD due to the lack of consensus during the negotiations that preceded these meetings," Ndayishimiye said during a plenary session on peace and secu-

urity at TICAD.

"Our most fervent wish from Burundi is to avoid such divisions in future sessions," he added, recalling that TICAD's goal is to have their visions and approaches operating in unison for the sake of worldwide solidarity.

Equatorial Guinea's Minister of Foreign Affairs Simeon Oyono Esono also expressed his country's regret for Morocco's absence at the conference.

"We regret the absence of the Kingdom of Morocco, a country of particular importance, from TICAD," Oyono Esono said, adding that he hopes Rabat and Tunis can find a long-term solution to the crisis.

These positions are consistent with those of other African countries, which have condemned Tunisia's unilateral invitation of the separatist entity, opposed Japan's recommendation and in breach of the planning process and established procedures.

Morocco chose not to attend the TICAD Summit and to promptly recall its ambassador to Tunisia for consultations.

Even as it sought to dismiss Morocco's surprising reaction to President Kais Saied's invitation to and hosting of the Polisario leader, the Tunisian Foreign Affairs ministry also withdrew Tunisia's ambassador from Rabat.

Amid escalating diplomatic tensions between the North African countries, many in Tunisia have also joined in slamming President Saied for hosting the leader of the separatist Polisario Front.

Critics of the Tunisian president's move have notably lamented what they have described as a dangerously unprecedented and "politically stupid" decision to end Tunisia's long-standing "constructive neutrality" on the Western Sahara dispute.

Agencies

SPORT



Dares Salaam's Kivukoni Ward Councillor, Sharik Shoghule (L), wraps the Tanzanian scarf around Sri Sri Ravishankar Gurudev, the founder of India-based Art Of Living Foundation, in the city early this week. Gurudev was invited by the Ministry of Culture, Arts, and Sports to promote various sports in Tanzania. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

Mwakinyo aims to upset UK boxing fans in WBO title bout

By Correspondent Nassir Nchimbi

TANZANIAN pugilist Hassan Mwakinyo is in high spirits as he continues to train intensively for his bout against Liam Smith for the World Boxing Organization (WBO) Super Welterweight title.

The world title fight will be held at the M&S Bank Arena in Liverpool, England September 3.

Mwakinyo, alias 'Champezi', who is regarded as a heavy puncher, revealed that he wants to take the WBO World title with the motivation he has in training for his bout.

The 27-year-old Tanzanian boxer most recently stopped former unified world champion, Namibian Julius Indongo, last September.

Through his social media platforms, Mwakinyo has written about how he boosts his morale, thinking of winning the title and he wants to return with the boxing honour back home.

"I think a lot about the night when I will be announced as the official WBO champion from Makorora, Tanga, Tanzania," Mwakinyo stated.

The boxer who temporarily moved his residence to the United States has delved into strength training to ensure that he fulfills his dreams of becoming the WBO world champion.

Liverpool's Smith, alias 'Beefy', aged 34, (31-3-1, 18 KOs) will begin his campaign for a

second world title shot when he headlines at the M&S Bank Arena against Tanzania's number one boxer in Super Welterweight.

Making his way to Merseyside to face the hometown hero is the heavy-handed Mwakinyo (20-2, 14 KO's).

The Tanzanian pugilist shocked the British boxing fanbase on his 2018 visit to the UK when he demolished the infamously tough Sam Eggington in just two rounds.

Mwakinyo is undefeated since then and is coming off three consecutive stoppage victories, the former World Boxing Federation (WBF) Intercontinental champion has scored 70% of his victories by either KO or TKO.

The pugilist has to stop power in both hands and is traveling to the UK intent on upsetting the home fans once again.

Smith can edge closer to a world Super Welterweight title fight with a win over Mwakinyo after his ruthless stoppage win over Jessie Vargas in Madison Square Garden in New York, the USA earlier this year.

Currently ranked in the top five by three of boxing's major sanctioning bodies, Smith last won the WBO World Light Middleweight title in 2015.

The boxer has propelled his name back into the world championship contender conversation with stoppage wins in his last two fights and is now set on winning a second world title as part of the BOXXER stable.

Bayi asks Coastal Region's athletes to improve their performance

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

TANZANIA Olympic Committee (TOC) Secretary General Filbert Bayi has advised athletes in Coast Region to work hard and set life goals.

Bayi, an athletics legend, stated so on Monday when he hosted Coast Region's athletes that participated in this year's Inter-Secondary Schools Games (Umisseta).

Coast Region was represented by 16 athletes in Umisseta Games and finished first in the girls' category and took fifth place in the boys' category.

Ten of the athletes in the region's squad are studying at Filbert Bayi Secondary School while the remaining six are attending other schools.

All Filbert Bayi School athletes are on scholarship at the institution, they were offered the opportunity after performing well in Inter-Primary Schools Games (Umitashumta).

The girls' team won seven medals, three of which are gold, and four silver medals while the boys' team secured five medals, three gold, one silver, and one bronze.

All medals except one were won by athletes attending Filbert Bayi Secondary School.

Overall, the region ended third in this year's Umisseta showdown, hosts Tabora turned out to be the overall winner, whereas Mara ended second.

"I congratulate you for a great performance in the just ended Umisseta Games in Tabora, you did us proud. I'm asking you all to have a vision, athletics is now a big business," the TOC leader

noted.

"You ought to work hard in academics and sports, the good thing is that here at our school there are scholarships for those who perform well in academics and sports to study abroad, please make use of that opportunity before it lasts," he said.

Some of the school's students now attending scholarships abroad include Regina Mpagichai now studying at the University of Northern Colorado in the United States of America (USA).

Other youngsters, Elizabeth Ilanda and Benedict Mathias are expected to study at Kansas Community College and the University of Northern Colorado respectively in the USA.

Coast Region athletics team's head coach Ali Nyonyi also hailed his athletes for performing well in Umisseta Games but revealed they would have won many medals if the field was in good condition.

He asked the authorities to improve the fields in the country, saying poor fields hinder young athletes' efforts to showcase their potential.

"Our athletes did a good job and I congratulate them, the only challenge was the condition of the field. It was not in good condition, a situation that hindered not only Coast Region's athletes but also all other athletes to show their talents," he said.

Coast Region will represent the country in the coming Federation of East Africa Secondary Schools Sports Association (FEASSA) Games which are expected to take place in Arusha from September 15-25.

SPORTS

Taifa Stars left with a mountain to climb in CHAN Qualifiers

By Correspondent Lloyd Elipokea

LAST Sunday, the Taifa Stars crossed swords with the Uganda Cranes in the first leg of their high-stakes African Nations Championship qualifier at the stately Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam.

There is a lot on the line for both teams as the victor will book their ticket to the African Nations Championship finals, which are all set to kick off in January next year.

Interestingly, this is the third time that the Taifa Stars and the Uganda Cranes are doing battle with each other in the African Nations Championship qualifiers.

Indeed, the teams' head-to-head record reveals that both Uganda and the Taifa Stars have claimed a victory apiece in their two earlier meetings.

With regards to the weighty task at hand, though, the Taifa Stars are likely to face a tremendously fierce battle in their second leg against the Cranes, who will be on home turf.

It is hoped then that the Taifa Stars will be able to comfortably gain a clear victory in the second leg even though it is certain that the encounter will not be plain sailing for them.

Still, on football, it is cheerful to note that the football gods did not curse us with miserable results where last weekend's football matches involving Tanzanian teams are concerned.

Indeed, Simba Queens provided just cause for merry-making last weekend when they claimed a razor-thin 1-0 victory against She Corporate of Uganda in the enthralling final of the CAF Women's Champions League qualifier for the CECAFA Zone.

Admirably, Simba Queens proved to be head and shoulders above the rest at the tournament, which featured the region's foremost women's football clubs.



Tanzania's national football side Taifa Stars' goal-getter, Daniel Lyanga (R), negotiates his way past Uganda Cranes' defender as the squads faced off in an African Nations Championship (CHAN) qualifiers' tie in Dar es Salaam last Sunday. Taifa Stars lost 1-0. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

By dint of their spectacularly classy title victory last weekend, Simba Queens have assured themselves of a berth at the 2022 CAF Women's Champions League, which is set to get rolling in October and November, this year.

It should be noted that this year's CAF Women's Champions League will feature the most pre-eminent women's football clubs on the continental football landscape.

Thus, it is incumbent upon Simba Queens to ensure that they work their fingers to the bone where preparation for the treasured competition is concerned.

Finally, the last few years have been positively nightmarish and hellish for us all, what with the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic and all.

Indeed, it is during such trying times that the value of an unbeatable mentality is shown to be all-

important.

Some sportsmen have just such a strong mindset but one sportswoman who fits the bill is the American amputee ultramarathon runner Jacky-Hunt Broersma.

Earlier this year, Broersma stunningly completed an incredible 104 marathons in 104 days, which is quite a staggering achievement.

Broersma ran that grueling number of marathons in a bid to raise funds for fellow amputees.

However, in my book her running tour de force should inspire us all to firmly believe that we can overcome anything that comes our way in life, no matter how daunting or formidable that challenge might be.

Serengeti Girls to camp in Southampton ahead of U-17 Women's World Cup finals



Players making Tanzania's national U-17 women's football team, Serengeti Girls, take part in training in Zanzibar recently to shape up for U-17 Women's World Cup to be held in India. PHOTO: TANZANIA FOOTBALL FEDERATION

By Correspondent Nassir Nchimbi

TANZANIA's national U-17 women's football team, alias 'Serengeti Girls', will in September travel to England to set up a special camp at Southampton training grounds in preparations for the U-17 Women's World Cup that will be held in October 2022 in India.

Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Culture, Arts, and Sports Hassan Abbas said so during the opening of the Tanzania Premier League Board's seminar for journalists in Dar es Salaam early this week.

Abbas pointed out that the government has made strategic plans to serve the national teams including 'Serengeti Girls' for every game.

"If you look at the government at the moment, every area is affected by sports, we support all the national teams as much as we can and we will continue to do so," Abbas noted.

The Permanent Secretary revealed: "For

example, next month 'Serengeti Girls' is going to set up a camp in England at the grounds of the Premier League team in the country in Southampton."

"It is a huge step, while in England they will play various friendly matches with competitive Women's teams and then it will go to Arab regions to continue the camp before going to India for the competition," he pointed out.

Abbas also explained that the Ministry of Culture, Arts and Sports has continued to look for sources of income to ensure that it becomes more economically stable.

"At the moment we get five percent from gambling games and we continue to look for many other sources, the goal being to be more economically stable and support games in general," Abbas stated.

Serengeti Girls have been drawn in Group D of the U-17 Women's World Cup, which

will take place in India.

Other teams in the group are Japan, Canada, and France. The group's first match will be played on October 12, according to the fixture.

As Tanzania's girls are grouped with the seemingly tough teams, Africa's other representatives, Morocco, are in group A together with hosts, India, the United States, and Brazil.

Group B squads include Germany, Nigeria, Chile, and New Zealand. Group C comprises Spain, Colombia, Mexico, and China.

As per the tournament's procedures, two teams in each group will qualify for the quarterfinal stage of the competition to be held at three venues, namely Bhubaneswar in Odisha, Margao in Goa, and Navi Mumbai in Maharashtra.

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Inside Jesse Marsch's Leeds revolution: 'it's not harmony, it's about identity'

By Tom Hamilton, ESPN Senior Writer

MARC Roca lets out a shout of frustration as a move breaks down, and his group head back to halfway to try again. It's early Wednesday morning at Leeds United's training ground Thorpe Arch and the team are preparing for the Sunday match against Chelsea.

The whole passage of play re-starts. The attack wins the ball off the defence in midfield, Jack Harrison emerges down the wing, zips past a defender and slips it to Roca, who squares it for Tyler Adams to thump it home. Roca turns to two people watching and roars approval, and amid some laughter they head back to start the drill again. All the while Jesse Marsch and his coaches watch, offering tweaks here and there.

Once training has finished and the players have had lunch and showered, they head off in various directions, but Brenden Aaronson is left holding a soaked sponge; the USMNT star is covered in water and foam. He lost one of the games in training, and his forfeit was to clean Adams' car.

It's all very relaxed. Four days later, Leeds hammered Chelsea 3-0 and moved up to second in the Premier League. You wouldn't know that months earlier, the club were scrapping against relegation.

When Marsch took over from Marcelo Bielsa at the start of March, Leeds were fighting for their Premier League life. The environment he encountered was tense, the strain of the situation getting to the players. "I could see the stress when I came in, and I knew the job I thought I had to do was maybe five times harder," Marsch tells ESPN.

But as they hit a midseason reset, they started clocking up the points and on the final day, the club avoided relegation thanks to their win at Brentford and Burnley dropping points elsewhere. Then the focus shifted to the next season in the Premier League under their new boss.

The summer saw two star players leave in Raphinha and Calvin Phillips, with that money reinvested in seven new faces, giving Leeds an opportunity to evolve. The players brought in all slot into how Marsch wants his team to play: high-pressing, quick-tempo, relentless, claustrophobic football. The recruits were perfect for Marsch's system and made an immediate impact. But though there's a short-, medium- and long-term plan for the club, none of that detracts from the weekly necessity of racking up points and making sure they're nowhere near another relegation scrap.

"I know the longevity of a person in these positions is not great," Marsch says. "But every job I take, I treat it as I'm the custodian of the club. I try to operate in the best interests of the club and team, and I find if you do that effectively, you can create both short-term, and long-term success. Now, here at this level, it's the biggest challenge of my life, right?"

When he was first approached by Leeds, Marsch wasn't sure if he was ready for a return to the hot seat. The outgoing manager was seen as a footballing deity by Leeds fans, having led the club back into the Premier League for the first time in 16 years and into the ninth spot in their return to the top flight. But their form was troubling in the 2021-22 season and by the end of February, the club and Bielsa went their separate ways.

When February ticked around into March, Marsch was enjoying time away from the daily rigours of management. His previous role at RB Leipzig hadn't worked out, and he left in December after just four months in the post.

He spent the intervening period travelling, visiting friends, spending time with his family and soaking up new experiences. Then the phone rang.

"Leeds came knocking before I thought I would get back to work, and my first thought was the timing wasn't right," Marsch says. He spoke to his wife, Kim, and to his three children. Hearing he was approached by a club is nothing new. Kim's message



After avoiding relegation by the narrowest of margins last season, Jesse Marsch has Leeds United near the top of the Premier League table in 2022-23. (Agencies)

to Jesse has always been to not tell the family of potential interest "until it gets serious because things get tossed around all the time," he says.

Marsch was approached by the club after sporting director Victor Orta had identified him as the best man from 42 potential candidates to replace the outgoing Bielsa. "I would say Victor and his team do a really good job of scouring the world really looking for - and using data very heavily, data and analytics - the right types of players that can fit into the way that we think about football," Marsch says. "This was how they found me as the coach."

Marsch was originally keen to take over at the end of the season, rather than midway through the campaign, but as he thought more about the opportunity, he envisaged these jigsaw pieces clicking together.

"The more I looked at the potential of what I thought the club and the team could be, the more excited I got," Marsch says. "I changed my mind overnight. I knew I was going to have to dig into everything on a higher level and faster than I wanted to, but that the reward and opportunity was bigger than the threat of failure. I came here because I felt like Leeds was the right place for me."

On arrival, he knew the potential and ability of the group, but the key was to tap into it amid a period as stressful as the club had endured for some time. "At the start Andrea [Radrizzani, the majority shareholder at Leeds] asked me how quickly I could transform the team from the way Marcelo played into the way I wanted to play. I wasn't totally sure, because I'd never taken over a team so deeply ingrained in a specific style to what I wanted. But I think we did well; it wasn't just the style of play, but also the stress of the relegation situation. It meant we had to free the players to commit intellectually, physically and emotionally to what we needed to become."

Marsch emptied the tank over those two-and-a-half months leading up to the final day. Rodrigo, the Spain striker, speaking back in March, said Marsch's first on-field steps were to shift the team away from one-vs-one marking to zonal, and it helped their transitional play from defense to attack. He also emphasised how Marsch "tried to understand everyone" to figure out how to get the best out of the squad. Some players needed picking up, other players needed reminding of their ability.

"As soon as he came in, he's been brilliant," Daniel James tells ESPN. "He's good with everyone, giving information all the time. He's someone you can approach with anything, anytime."

After several heart-stopping moments and twists and turns, goals from Raphinha and Harrison gave Leeds a 2-1 win at Brentford, while Burnley losing to Newcastle United meant Marsch's side had successfully retained their top-flight status. "It wasn't easy to manage and I was trying to think of ways to help the group tactically and, to be fair, we have had good performances, it's just trying to put it all together that hasn't always looked perfect," Marsch said at the time.

"The stress has been high for three months, I've tried to stay calm and focus on us and you see the quality of the mentality and character."

As he reflects on the end of last season, Marsch smiles, but also exhales. He says it "re-

quired all of the experience and insight and expertise that I've gathered over my years to get this moving the way I wanted it to," though his memories of that day aren't around the goals but instead the fans and that connection they had with the team. After his first three months of working on psychology to get the team out of a relegation battle, the next stage was shifting attention to the football and the future.

Marsch headed back to the U.S. to refuel after the season. A couple of days in, he needed a new pair of jeans. He was in New York at the time, so he headed to the Levi's shop in Times Square. It was the usual routine he'd done tens of times before: train to Penn Station, 15-minute walk to the store. But this time, he had football fans asking him for a photo.

"That for me was an eye-opening moment, because I'd never been treated like that," he says. "You know, sometimes here around Leeds people know who I am. But back home, I never thought that that would be the case. So you know, there's obviously a sense of responsibility in terms of what that means."

His favourite on-field moment so far is Joe Gelhardt's goal against Norwich last term, but his most memorable off-field memories shift daily, from the fans he meets while out walking his dogs, to those waiting outside the training ground asking him to autograph a shirt while advising him which player to sign.

Leeds' summer outlay to date is roughly the same as the outgoing, with Raphinha moving to Barcelona for a £55 million transfer fee and Phillips to Manchester City for £42m. Both were key players, but the money has been reinvested in new faces: Aaronson and Rasmus Kristensen from FC Salzburg, Adams from Leipzig, Luis Sinisterra from Feyenoord, Joel Robles from Real Betis, Roca from Bayern Munich and Darko Gyabi from Manchester City.

From their opening three matches, we've seen Leeds operate in a 4-2-3-1, which shifts to a 4-2-2-2. The front three players - Harrison, Aaronson and James started there against Chelsea - are largely interchangeable behind Rodrigo leading the line, and it's their mission to run like hell at the opposition. They hustle the opponents until they give up the ball and then attack at pace, in as quick and direct a manner as possible. Leeds are playing more vertically this season than before, but it's anchored on fitness and sprinting. You can see how the summer recruits have slotted in: Adams and Roca causing mischief in the midfield but forcing turnovers, and then it's up to Aaronson and Sinisterra to turn the opportunity of a counterattack into a goal-scoring chance.

Leeds also went for younger players, and it's their policy to offer such talents long-term contracts. They have the sixth-youngest average age of their starting XI in the Premier League, and it's all tuned into their policy in the transfer market.

"It's always an opportunity," Marsch says of the summer's business. "I don't care. If you're talking about failure, success, money, losing players, gaining players, it's always about seeing the opportunity and then seizing it. And so it's the reason I came here in the end was because I saw the opportunity even in a relegation fight of what Leeds United could become."

"And we tried to, at every moment, see what's happening within our team, within our transfer

politics. Within every decision we make we see where the opportunities are and how to grow and how to get better."

Their vast database includes many matching capabilities, but it comes down to a human touch. "Once the metrics match their metrics, then it's about really investing in who the person is to ensure the person we're bringing in honours the environment that we really are establishing and trying to create every day," Marsch explains. "And I think the balance of the two is what Victor does so well."

Some of the transfers were planned before Marsch's arrival, such as Aaronson from Salzburg. Leeds went for him in the January transfer window, but he decided to see the season out in Austria. And just days after Leeds' survival was confirmed, he was the first signing of the Marsch era.

Aaronson remembers his first meeting with Leeds and the appeal of the club. "Just the plan that the club had, you know, and the people surrounding it," Aaronson tells ESPN. "The club wanted me here and was so supportive and showed me how much they wanted me here and how they wanted me to be a part of that plan. We have high expectations of the club and the fans do, too. And that's something I want to be a part of developing me as a player and as a person."

He was later joined by fellow USMNT starter Adams. While Aaronson finished the 2021-22 campaign on a high, Adams struggled in his last season at Leipzig while managing some niggling injuries, but his class endured. He was the player Leeds identified to form a double pivot with Roca in midfield, but they had to be sure about where his head was at first.

"I had a tough conversation with Jesse before I came here about finding the old Tyler," Adams said. "I felt like in my time at Leipzig I lost a little bit of confidence. I lost the way of, you know, who I was and what I wanted to become. And I got a little bit too much in my comfort zone."

"So we had a tough conversation, we talked over it, not an argument in any way or sense but some difficult points came across."

"I've known him for so long," Marsch said. "I'm very proud of him and I've always believed in him. Always, but I've also known that he's had challenges, you know, big challenges. And it's not just about playing or not, it's about how an environment works and how people interact."

"When I brought him here, I said we just need you to get back to being the kind of player that you are and more freedom in the way that you express yourself as a person, as a player on the pitch. We have a really strong foundation of a team here and we have leaders in the team, but I wanted to make sure that he knew there was a responsibility to commit to the team fully in a selfless manner, because I know what the mental-

ity of the group and the character of the group is here."

"We took a week to reconnect," Adams said, "and I reflected on my time at Leipzig, you know, [and] what I wanted to become as a player and person, and when we reconnected I was all-in and bought into the idea of coming here and finding the old Tyler."

Adams describes the old Tyler as an "absolute beast on the field," someone who "doesn't really overthink anything." He fits the bill of what Marsch pictures as your archetypal Leeds player. Marsch says he wants his team to be known for their hard work, with his players "ready to fight and run and commit and do everything they can for every second of the match."

There may yet be further recruits this summer - Leeds are looking into bolstering their options up front - but only if the right player is there.

"I know that those transfers are always a lightning rod in the public and they want to see us continue to invest," Marsch says. "But we just want to make sure that every decision we make is the right one."

"I think the additions we've made have been perfect. Perfect. Right, really, I think the seven additions we've made have been fabulous. And the key is to keep that 100% rate. And it's almost impossible to do, but that's our job."

Leeds' season began with Wolverhampton Wanderers coming to Elland Road. The new-look team edged past Bruno Lage's side 2-1, thanks to goals from Rodrigo and (officially) an own-goal from Rayan Ait-Nouri, though Aaronson still claims he had the final touch. But there were no doubts over Aaronson's first in Leeds' win over Chelsea on Sunday, as he hustled Edouard Mendy to force the error that gave the team their opener. Their third was reminiscent of what they were practising in training Wednesday: winning the ball back, countering at pace and punishing the opponent.

But Marsch would have loved one statistic above all in that match, exhibiting exactly what he wants from his team: after 80 minutes, Leeds had run 11 kilometres farther than Chelsea. When Aaronson is told that statistic postmatch, the young American smiles and says that's what they want to be known for: work rate.

When you talk to the new signings about their first impressions of the Premier League, Adams says he was "absolutely shattered." But without prompting, they mention the Elland Road atmosphere. Aaronson says it was "electric," while Adams adds: "It gave me goosebumps. This kind of support is what pushes you on in the 90th minute to make that extra sprint back to tackle harder."

For Marsch, there are many moments that have emphasised how big a job managing the team is: like when he saw his first Leeds United tattoo on a supporter's leg on his first day, or when he heard the club's anthem coming from the stands. "This is what I love. You know, I don't like when they chant my name. I just don't, and I know they're doing it to be unified in what we're doing. But I love it so much more when I hear 'Marching on Together' or Leeds or Yorkshire or whatever, you know, it's not me I care about, it's the club and this is why I love being here."

He quickens the pace as he talks more about why he feels so at home at the club. "It's just a selflessness from every member of this entire sporting organization to help the team and to do whatever they need to do in their role for the on-the-field product to be what we all want it to become."

Marsch has also enjoyed interacting with the San Francisco 49ers, with 49ers Enterprises owning a 44% stake in Leeds. "I liked going to watch the 49ers train, seeing how they work, seeing how organized they are, and how they are structured," Marsch says, referring to his visit to the 49ers minicamp in the offseason. "That's been a bit of an eye-opener and very interesting to see. And I think it's helped me even organize things. And I like to be organized. I like to be on top of things. I don't like to be caught by surprises."

The focus shifts to what Marsch hopes Leeds achieve in the future. "We can't feel too good about ourselves, we can't feel too bad about ourselves. We just have to have a relentless commitment to keep moving forward."

"The goal isn't to have total harmony, but to create a common understanding as to what we are, our identity and to commit to that every day. I don't have a problem of telling somebody if they're not carrying their weight, or of telling them how disappointed or angry I am because I will protect the environment above everything. That's the most important thing: it's not harmony, it's about identity, expectation and making sure that in every way we're maximising the potential of each other and of the group every day."

Marsch and his family are settled in Yorkshire: the Wisconsinite who found a home in Leeds. "I think what I've learnt more than anything, it's just that I belong here," he says. But he's just getting going. He's aware of how managers are an endangered species, and his responsibility in keeping the ship steered in the right direction.

"There's still a lot of work to do and our goals are much bigger than just a couple of good performances," Marsch says. "But I'm thankful to be here. It's an important position, an important club and I know that fully."

"So yeah, when you asked me how's Leeds? Leeds is pretty damn good."

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Inside Jesse Marsch's Leeds revolution:
'it's not harmony, it's about identity'

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Former Simba SC defender counsels Azam FC

By Correspondent Ismail Tano

THE decision by Azam FC to part ways with its head coach, Abdihamid Moallin, and his assistant, Omary Nasser has prompted former Simba SC defender Frank Kassanga to issue advice to the Chamazi-based squad following the move.

Azam FC had on Monday announced to reach an agreement with Moallin and Nasser to terminate the contracts between the outfit and the two gaffers after being dissatisfied with their competence.

The NBC Premier League side has managed to notch a victory and a draw in two rounds of the 2022/23 Premier League.

Kassanga, alias 'Bwalya', called on Azam FC management and the outfit's players to be calm during this period in which they are preparing for the Premier League game against defending champion Yanga.

He said Azam FC players should realize the importance of the role they have now and completely stop thinking about the decisions taken by the outfit's management.

Regarding Azam FC's management, Kassanga revealed that it should bring in a highly professional coach who will help the team achieve its goals this season.

The former center-back pointed out: "It will depend on how motivated the players are to fight, although I believe that the team they have registered can play in any system the new coach will bring."

"The players should do their job, the decision reached by the management should remain as it is so that it does not affect the behaviour of the team that is currently preparing for the Premier League game against Yanga."

"As for the registration, they have made a very good registration, so what Azam FC's leaders need to do is get a coach with great potential, a tactician that knows how to fight in the local league and international assignments," Kassanga pointed out.

Moallin, a USA national of Somali origin, was hired by Azam FC as the side's youth team coach but the dismissal of Zambian gaffer George Lwandamina saw the former get promotion to operate as the club's senior team's head coach last season.

The gaffer enabled Azam FC to finish third in the 2021/22 NBC Premier League and get a chance to play in the 2022/23 CAF Confederation



Geita Gold FC's Secretary-General, Simon Shija.

Geita Gold FC to use Azam Complex Stadium for 2022/23 CAF CC

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

TANZANIA's representative in the 2022/23 CAF Confederation Cup, Geita Gold FC, has noted it has opted for Azam Complex Stadium of Dar es Salaam, as its home ground in the continental show-piece.

Geita Gold FC is making its maiden appearance in CAF Confederation Cup and it will start its campaign away to South Sudan's outfit, Hilal Al Sahil, in the preliminary round's first leg scheduled for September 11 and one week later the former will host the visitors in the second leg.

Simon Shija, Geita Gold FC's Secretary-General, pointed out that Azam Complex Stadium, owned by Azam FC, will be the former's home ground for CAF Confederation Cup ties.

"CAF approved two stadiums (Benjamin Mkapa Stadium and Azam Complex Stadium) as fit for hosting CAF inter-club tournaments' matches, we have opted for Azam Complex Stadium as our home ground, we were planning to use Mwanza's CCM Kirumba Stadium but I can assure all our supporters that Azam Complex Stadium is our home ground," he said.

Commenting on the team's preparations for the ongoing NBC Premier League and continental tournament, Shija said it is ready for all matches.

The leader revealed during the pre-season that they planned to camp in Burundi but the plan did not materialize, instead, an outfit from Burundi went to Geita for a friendly against Geita Gold FC. Shija said the friendly against a Burundi side gave his side a good test.

He applauded the club's main sponsors, Anglo Gold Ashanti, for the support they are offering, pointing out the sponsors have already arranged all logistics for the team's travel to South Sudan.

Shija revealed: "We would like to wholeheartedly thank our main sponsors, Anglo Gold Ashanti, for their support to the team, they are the ones who are taking care of all of our logistics for CAF Confederation Cup assignment and local games."

"The good thing is that our sponsors are ready and willing to welcome other sponsors on board, the aim is to see our club become big and better," he said.

He said they are happy with the team's performance in the two NBC Premier League games played so far.

Shija said the team's focus now is on the next NBC Premier League game against Kagera Sugar, to be played at Kaitaba Stadium, and CAF Confederation Cup's away game.

Kim Poulsen backs Taifa Stars to recover from defeat to Uganda



Tanzania's national football side 'Taifa Stars' goal-getter, Daniel Lyanga (R), seeks to get the better of Uganda Cranes' defender as the squads faced off in an African Nations Championship (CHAN) qualifiers' tie in Dar es Salaam last Sunday. Taifa Stars lost 1-0. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

COACH Kim Poulsen insists Tanzania's senior national football side 'Taifa Stars' are still in contention for a place in the 2023 African Nations Championship (CHAN) finals despite a 1-0 home loss to Uganda in the qualifiers' first leg.

Taifa Stars will be without Poulsen in the return leg of the qualifiers, as the Danish tactician was early this week relieved of the squad's coaching duty by the Tanzania Football Federation following the results.

Zambian coach Honour Janza that also serves Premier League club, Namungo FC, has taken over as interim head coach of the Tanzanian squad.

In the match played on Sunday at the Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam, substitute Travis Mutyaba netted a late goal to hand Uganda's Cranes an advantage before the return leg slated for September 3 at the St. Mary's

Stadium in Kitende, Uganda.

Poulsen revealed: "We were quite sure it would be a very tough game, a very physical one. It was a tough game for both teams."

The Danish coach added: "It was hard for both teams to create chances because it was quite even all the way. There were few incidents where the players pleaded for a penalty."

The coach revealed: "In the end, small things make a big difference. We had a corner and then we took it short, which we had been talking about, be careful because they wanted to counter-attack and they did it."

"In a split second, we were too relaxed and they were free and they scored a few minutes before full time."

Poulsen disclosed: "Of course with the results, it is not what we were looking for, so we are disappointed to lose at home. I told the players this was the first game and there is a second game in one week."

"What we saw today, I think both teams know it is going to be a very tough game in the second one."

"With a little bit of magic in a second,

you can score, and then we are even again. I think we have made it a little bit difficult for ourselves but, at the same time, we still have a strong belief we can go to Uganda and we can do something there and get out of the two games as the winner."

"Again, it will be very tough, both teams know each other very well. We know the quality of the players that they have and so on."

The tactician pointed out: "I expect another tough game where we have to be very brave and to have a mindset that we are fully concentrated and focused all the way because in a split second when you take a poor corner they counter-attack and you don't defend, you make an individual error then you suddenly lose the game 1-0, it could have ended 0-0."

The coach said: "At the same time, the players gave what they had. They tried their very best, they worked very hard for each other. We tried to make some changes along the way to see if we could change a little bit, I think everyone was focused on doing his very best for the team."

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