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Residents of Moshono ward in Arusha District, look on helplessly as efforts to rescue five small-time limestone diggers covered by soil after their 'mine' caved in continued yesterday. At the end of it all, three of the victims were confirmed dead while two escaped with injuries. Photo: Corresp

Malawi flags off WHO infants' trial malaria vaccine

THE World Health Organisation has welcomed yesterday's launch by the government of Malawi of the world's first malaria vaccine in a landmark pilot programme.

With this step, Malawi becomes the first of only three countries in Africa in which the vaccine, known as RTS.S will be made available to children up to two years of age. Ghana and Kenya are expected to introduce the vaccine in the coming weeks.

Malaria remains one of the world's leading killers, claiming the life of one child every two minutes. Most of these deaths are in Africa, where more than 250,000 children die from the disease every year.

Children aged under five years are at greatest risk of malaria's life-threatening complications. Worldwide, the disease kills 435,000 people a year, most of them

"We have seen tremendous gains from bed nets and other measures to control malaria in the last 15 years, but progress has stalled and even reversed in some areas," said WHO Director General Dr Tedros Ghebreyesus.

"We need new solutions to get the malaria response back on track, and this vaccine gives us a promising tool to get there. The vaccine has the potential to save tens of thousands of children's lives," he asserted.

Thirty years in the making, RTS,S is the first, and until now the only vaccine that has demonstrated that it can significantly reduce malaria in children. In clinical trials, the vaccine was found to prevent approximately four in ten malaria cases, including three in ten cases of life-threatening severe malaria.

"Malaria is a constant threat in the African communities where this vaccine will be given. The poorest children suffer the most

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Murrum miners die in sprawling quarry

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

THREE people have been confirmed dead and two others injured after one of the pits at a sprawling murrum quarry in the vicinity of the city collapsed following heavy rains.

The pit where people harvest building raw materials buried the trio at 8am yesterday morning at Moivaro area, Moshono ward in Arusha city.

Regional Police Commander (RPC) Jonathan Shana said here yesterday that the accident occurred when the quarry miners continued working in the pit when it was raining heavily.

The walls of the pit collapsed after being overwhelmed by the downpour, he said, appealing to those working in quarries to focus on their safety first.

"Rescue teams were quick to reach the area but were not early enough to save the three. The two injured people were rushed to Mount Meru

Hospital for treatment," he said.

District Commissioner Gabriel Dagarro called on the miners to be more cautious while working in the area since yesterday's accident was not the fist in the sprawling Moshono quarry.

In April 2013, 13 people mostly residents of the area died instantly when a murrum quarry caved in. And like yesterday's accident, only two of the miners who were in the pit survived.

An eye witness said that a few minutes before the incident he saw a truck loading the murrum in the area and suddenly heard a big sound indicating that there was something wrong.

Arusha City Mayor Calist Lazaro said that after hearing of the accident he quickly informed responsible officials to fast-track rescue operations.

"I will also work to find out if the extractions have legal license to operate. What I remember is that TURN TO PAGE 2

US forecaster cites cyclone closing in on Lindi Region

By Guardian Reporter

A NEW storm is brewing in the southern Indian Ocean and may form a tropical cyclone expected to strike Tanzania tonight, an American international weather forecaster said yesterday.

AccuWeather Inc. announced in its latest forecast that the cyclone is projected to hit the southern coast of Tanzania and northern coast of Mozambique by the end of today before increasing in coverage and duration tonight and tomorrow morning.

"At this time, landfall of a tropical cyclone could occur as early as midday Thursday near the border of Tanzania and Mozambique. Areas near and just inland of this landfall location will be at risk for flooding rainfall, mudslides and damaging winds, the firm's statement noted.

The commercial weather forecaster named Lindi region in Tanzania and Pemba in Mozambique as

most likely to experience the worst of the storm. "While interaction with land will cause the brewing tropical cyclone to weaken as it continues

to slowly move westward, torrential rainfall can still trigger flooding and mudslides for locations such as Masasi and Tunduru in Tanzania and Marrupu and Montepuez in Mozambique," the statement indicated.

A slow westward drift of this storm is expected to lead to multiple days of heavy rainfall for the same locations.

Rainfall amounts of 200-300 mm are possible from today through Sunday, AccuWeather said, noting that this amount of rainfall can result in life-threatening flooding and lead to homes being inundated by floodwaters. There will also be an elevated risk for mudslides in areas of rugged

The areas that are most at risk from this tropical depression were largely spared by the recent Tropical Cyclone Idai's destruction. Prior to reaching the eastern Africa coastline, this brewing tropical cyclone will enhance rainfall across far northern Madagascar today.

Sea storms were set to build along Madagascar's

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Govt dismisses latest IMF team findings, views as 'one-sided'

Dr Mpango noted that during his recent visit to Washington DC for the 2019 spring meetings organized by the World Bank and IMF, he held talks on the subject with Abebe Selassie, who is director of the Africa Department at the IMF

By Guardian Reporter

FINANCE and Planning Minister Dr Philip Mpango yesterday opened up on why the government did not give the International Monetary Fund (IMF) the green light to publish its report on Tanzania's economic status, saying the content was one-sided.

Responding after the matter was raised in the National Assembly, Dr Mpango said the go-ahead was not given because opinions given by government experts after reading the first draft were not included in the final

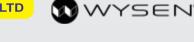
"The IMF team was in the country from November 26 to December 7 last year. After

preparing the draft I received on March 18 and we gave opinions that should have been accommodated in the final report but that did not happen," the minister said.

Dr Mpango noted that during his recent visit to Washington DC for the 2019 spring meetings organized by the World Bank and IMF, he held talks on the subject with Abebe Selassie, who is director of the Africa Department at the IMF.

"Even today we are continuing with discussions on the subject. After the executive board of IMF received the final report, the government had 14 days to go through sanction its publication or not," he











































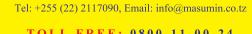




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Ibututu nursery children at Ilota in Mbeya Region queue late last week while awaiting their turns to wash hands before getting porridge. The centre is among 23

Govt to establish large project to facilitate increase in nation's electricity generation

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE government plans to establish power generation project which will increase the supply of megawatts to the national grid from the current 1,602 to 10,000 megawatts come 2025, it has

Deputy Minister for Energy, Subira Mgalu, told the House that there are a number of projects the government is undertaking to ensure increased

production of electricity megawatts to power plant from 150MW to 335MW by the national grid so that power woes become history.

Mgalu was responding to a question by the Special Seats MP Zainab Katimba (CCM) who had wanted to know what the government was doing to increase the electricity production to 5,000 megawatts come 2020.

She named some of the projects to increase power production as the government had implemented the expansion of the Kinyerezi I natural gas 2,115 MW Rufiji hydro-power project as

August, this year.

Other project is the KInyerezi II 240MW which has been completed in April last year, Mtwara MW 300 power project under the sponsorship of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) which is expected to be

completed by March next year. Moreover, she said, in December 2018,

well as 80MW Rusumo project.

Mgalu named other power projects whose implementation will start soon as Ruhudji (358MW), Rumakali (222MW) and Kakono 87MW which if all goes well they will start power generation by the end of 2021.

In order to meet the 10,000 MW targets by 2015, the deputy minister said they had in the pipeline Kishapu 150MW, Singida 100MW windmill and Coal power project for 600MW.

Govt disputes latest IMF fiscal scorecard

Under chapter IV of its Articles of Agreement, the IMF has a mandate to exercise surveillance over the to ensure effective operation of the international monetary system.

The executive board of IMF announced last week that it had concluded the consideration of the 2019 Article IV Consultation with the government but was not allowed to make the report public.

to publication of the staff report or transmitted to the country authorities," the related press release," the IMF the notice intoned.

statement reads.

The IMF said in a notice published on its website that appraisal of its members' economic, financial and exchange rate policies involve a economic, financial and exchange rate comprehensive analysis of the general policies of member states in order economic situation and policy strategy of each member country.

"IMF economists visit the member country, usually once a year, to collect and analyze data and hold discussions with government and central bank officials. Upon its return, the staff submit a report to the IMF Executive Board for discussion. The board's views "The authorities have not consented are subsequently summarized and

US forecaster cites cyclone closing in on Lindi Region

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northern coastline into Wednesday morning, resulting in dangerous conditions for bathers and small craft

Mayotte and Comoros were cited as the next locations at risk for significant

impacts from this tropical disturbance. The Comoros were likely to endure a longer period of stormy weather, with 50-100 mm of rainfall and locally damaging winds.

Dangerous seas will batter the island's coastal locations Tuesday night into Thursday.

The southern African region has barely had time to recover from the effects of Cyclone Idai, which hit last month and killed more than 1,000 people in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and

If this depression becomes the next organized tropical cyclone in the South-West Indian Ocean, it would be given the name Kenneth.

Murrum miners die in sprawling quarry

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the extractions were once suspended from operating," he elaborated.

is used for construction works in construction sites.

the region is a beehive of activity, popular with young men who enter pits in groups and sell the gravelly Moshono quarry whose murrum soil to trucks that carry the same to

WHO Regional Director for Africa, Dr

"We know the power of vaccines to prevent killer diseases and reach children, including those who may not have immediate access to the doctors, nurses and health facilities they need to save them when severe illness comes," she stated.

"This is a day to celebrate as we begin to learn more about what this tool can do to change the trajectory of malaria

through childhood vaccination." The pilot programme is designed to generate evidence and experience to inform WHO policy recommendations on the broader use of the RTS,S malaria vaccine. It will look at reductions in child deaths as well as vaccine uptake, including whether parents bring their children on time for the four required doses, and vaccine safety in the context of routine use.

The vaccine is a complementary malaria control tool - to be added to the core package of WHO-recommended measures for malaria prevention, including the routine use of insecticidetreated bed nets, indoor spraying with insecticides, and the timely use of malaria testing and treatment.

pilot The WHO-coordinated programme is a collaborative effort with health ministries in Ghana, Kenya and Malawi and a range of in-country and international partners. These include non-profit organisation PATH and GSK, the vaccine developer and manufacturer, the latter donating up to 10 million vaccine doses for this pilot

"We salute WHO and Malawi for their leadership in realising this historic milestone and we look forward to the start of vaccination in Ghana, and then Kenya later this year," said PATH President and CEO Steve Davis.

"A vaccine for malaria is among many innovations needed to bring an end to this disease, and we proudly stand with all countries and our many partners in progressing towards a malaria-free world," he declared.

The malaria vaccine pilot is meant to reach 360,000 children per year across the three countries, where

and are at highest risk of death," said Malawi launches milestone infants trial malaria vaccine

the vaccine will be given and with the focus on areas with moderate-tohigh malaria transmission - where the vaccine can have the greatest impact.

"Delivering the world's first malaria vaccine will help reduce the burden of one of the most pressing health challenges globally," said Dr Thomas Breuer, Chief Medical Officer of GSK

"This novel tool is the result of GSK employees collaborating with their partners, applying the latest in vaccine science to contribute to the fight against malaria," he noted, adding: "We look forward to seeing the results of the pilot and, in parallel, are working with WHO and PATH to secure the vaccine's sustained global health impact in the future."

Financing for the pilot programme has been mobilised through an unprecedented collaboration among three key global health funding bodies: Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance; the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, along with UNITAID. Additionally, WHO, PATH and GSK are providing in-kind contributions.

UNITAID is an international drug purchase facility established by Brazil, France, Chile, Norway and the UK as an innovative funding mechanism to accelerate access to high-quality drugs and diagnostics for HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis in countries with a high burden of disease.

Meanwhile, Gavi CEO Dr Seth Berkley has noted that malaria is still one of the biggest killers of children worldwide, taking the lives of over 200,000 children every year.

"These pilots will be crucial to determine the part this vaccine could play in reducing the burden this disease continues to place on the world's poorest countries."

director Lelio Marmora has said: and the fourth dose provided around "The malaria vaccine is an exciting the second birthday.

health ministries will determine where innovation that complements the global health community's efforts to end the malaria epidemic. It is also a shining example of the kind of interagency coordination that we need. We look forward to learning how the vaccine can be integrated for greatest impact into our work."

> Global Fund executive director Peter Sands has chipped in, saying: "To step up the fight against malaria, we need every available tool. If this pilot shows that RTS,S is a cost-effective tool against malaria, it will help us save more children's lives."

> Following a request by WHO for expressions of interest, the three pilot countries were selected from among ten African countries. Key criteria for selection included wellfunctioning malaria and immunisation programmes, and areas with moderate to high malaria transmission. In Phase 3 trials conducted in

> Africa, between 2009 and 2014, children receiving four doses of RTS,S experienced significant reductions in malaria and malaria-related complications in comparison to those who did not. The vaccine prevented four in ten

> cases of clinical malaria, three in ten cases of severe malaria, and six in ten cases of severe malaria anaemia, identified as the most common reason children die from malaria. Significant reductions were also seen

> in overall hospital admissions and the need for blood transfusions, which are required to treat severe malaria anaemia.

> These and other benefits were in addition to those already seen through the use of insecticide-treated bed nets, prompt diagnosis, and effective antimalarial treatment.

In selected areas in the three countries, the vaccine will be given in four doses: three doses for infants For his part, UNITAID executive between five and nine months of age



Florensia Mende (R) leaves the city's Kisutu Resident Magistrate's Court escorted by a Prisons warden shortly after her economic sabotage case was adjourned yesterday. Photo: Correspondent

By Guardian Reporter

Tanzania Tourist Board (TTB) as its official service term ended yesterday.

A statement issued in Dar es Salaam yesterday by Chief Secretary, Ambassador John Kijazi said that the current TTB Board of Directors chairman, Rtd Judge Thomas Mihayo and all the six members will continue to serve the board until April 23, 2022.

TTB board members include, Augustine Kungu Olal, Zabein Muhaji Mhita, Richard Rugimbana, Mark Leveri, Ally Hussein Laay and Ibrahim Mussa.

The President's decision to extend the board's working period comes after Minister for Natural Resources country's tourist destination in every and Tourism, Dr Hamisi Kigwangalla corner of the world and struggled to

PRESIDENT John Magufuli has resolved to extend for three years the term of the Board of Directors of the

of Directors in January this year.

The move which was opposed by Judge Mihayo who said the minister's announcement was null and void since by law, only the President has powers to dissolve the tourism marketing board.

Iudge Mihavo asserted that: "As per the Tanzania Tourist Board Act no 25 of 1962, the minister can only remove individual members from the board but he cannot send the entire board packing".

He claimed that the board has for years worked tirelessly to promote the

announced to disband the TTB Board settle its debt from 7bn/- to 1.5bn/-.

Dissolving the board, Dr Kigwangala said it has failed to manage and ensure implementation of directives and plans issued by the government.

According to Dr Kigwangalla the board failed to perform to the fullest despite having been appointed to manage the TTB, which handles sensitive matters in the country's

economic development. The World Bank projects that Tanzania's tourism sector has a potential to grow contributing 16 billion US dollars to the economy with a record of eight million tourists by



National Assembly Speaker Job Ndugai (C) chairs a parliamentary leadership committee meeting in his office in Dodoma yesterday. Photo courtesy of National

'Roadway traffic cameras to detect motoring offences in the pipeline'

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

IN efforts to tame rogue drivers and reduce traffic crimes, the plans are underway to fix surveillance cameras on all highways, the deputy minister for Home Affairs, Hamad Yusufu Masauni told the House.

He said for the start the surveillance cameras have been fixed along the Dar es Salaam to Morogoro highway

though the plan is to have them in all deputy minister. highways.

Masauni was responding to a supplementary question by Joseph Mbilinyi (Mbeya Urban-Chadema) who had started remitting them to the sought the government need to have beneficiaries. the surveillance cameras installed countrywide.

"It is a matter of budget, with time and availability of financial resources are finalising theverification of the we will fix them countrywide," said the remaining ones.

On unpaid arrears of police officers countrywide, Masauni said they had challenges of payments but they

He told the House the big numbers of the personnel with pending arrears had been catered for while they

The deputy minister said they will soon start a mandatory vehicle inspection for increase road safety.

He said the mandatory vehicle inspection contrary to that of the road safety week is awaiting the amendment.

He used the platform to called upon the drivers as well as traffic officers to abide by the law and regulations of the country.

Centre for Foreign Relations to begin teaching Kiswahili

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE Centre for Foreign Relations has prepared a curriculum to start teaching Kiswahili language for the coming academic year as a means to spread the language internationally, the House heard yesterday.

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and East Africa, Regional and International Cooperation, Damas Ndumbaro told the lawmakers that plans are ready for the establishment of the language.

The deputy minister made the statement while responding to a question by the Malindi MP, Ally Saleh Ally (CUF) who had wanted to know the plans for the centre to increase the number of foreign language being taught at the centre.

Ndumbaro explained that Kiswahili as a foreign language will be taught starting 2019/20 academic year as all plans are in store for the service.

He said CFR is recognizing the importance of foreign languages as far as diplomacy and international relations is all about, thus the need to increase the number of languages being taught.

Currently, Dr Ndumbaro said foreign languages studied at the CFR are Arabic, Chinese, French, Spanish, English, Korean and Portuguese.

He told the National Assembly that since the establishment of the institute in 1978, the centre has produced more than 3421 graduates of which 72 are degree holders.

Others are Postgraduate Diploma in

International Relations Management (503), Postgraduate Diploma in Economic Diplomacy (341), Ordinary Diploma 2,084 and certificates 347 while 74 senior foreign affairs ministry officials went through special training.

Dr Ndumbaro went on saying that of the number of graduates, 1.060 were women and the remaining men who were from South Africa, Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Guinea, Kenya, Comoro, Libya, Malawi, Msumbiji, Namibia, Palestine, Rwanda, Sudan, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Tanzania.

He told the House that since the college started more than local 500 graduates had attained careers in diplomacy within and outside the country.

He expressed the government commitment to ensure that the centre becomes one of the top not only in Africa but internationally whereas countries can rely on when it comes to diplomatic training.

Dr Ndumbaro said Argentina is among the country that has picked CFR as an institute which will train its staff on international relations and diplomatic aspects.

He said that the country will train more personnel in the areas as diplomacy and international relations to meet the local and foreign market demands.

The CUF Member of Parliament commended Dr Ndumbaro for the detailed answer with statistics saying others should emulate him

AML Finance Limited



Audited Financial Statements for 2018

ED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL **POSITION AS AT 31.12.2018** (Amounts in Tzs "000")

	31.12.2018	31.12.2017
ASSETS EMPLOYED		
Non Current Assets		
Property and Equipment	171,708	130,781
Current Assets		
Loan Portfolio	7,647,507	6,358,043
Accounts Receivables	6,297	37,114
Cash and Cash Equivalents	123,771	233,600
Total Current Assets	7,777,575	6,628,757
TOTAL ASSETS	7,949,282	6,759,538
OWNERS EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Issued and Paid Share Capital	300,000	300,000
General Reserve	357,123	357,123
Retained Earning	4,260,825	4,461,922
Total Equity	4,917,948	5,119,045
Current Liabilities		
Borrowed Fund	1,760,000	909,904
Accounts Payables	617,774	703,438
Proposed Dividend	294,980	14,620
Tax Provision	358,580	12,531
Total Current Liabilities	3,031,334	1,640,493
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	7,949,282	6,759,537

COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR PERIOD ENDED 31.12.2018 (Amounts in Tzs."000")

	31.12.2018	31.12.2017
INCOME		
Interest Income	3,034,582	2,736,650
Non Interest Income	1,121,631	559,473
Total Income	4,156,213	3,296,123
Less: Finance Costs	325,612	162,116
Gross Financial Margin	3,830,601	3,134,007
Less: Operating Expenses		
Staff Costs	875,722	833,964
General and Administrative Costs	1,972,109	2,258,273
Net Profit before tax	982,770	41,770
Less: Tax Provision	382,049	12,531
Net Profit after Tax	600,722	29,239

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES **IN EQUITY AS 31.12.2018** (Amounts in Tzs "000")

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER	R 2017			
PARTICULARS	SHARE	GENERAL	RETAINED	TOTAL
PARTICULARS	CAPITAL	RESERVE	EARNINGS	
At 1 January 2017	300,000	357,123	3,852,458	4,509,581
Profit for the year			29,239	29,239
Proposed dividend			(14,620)	(14,620)
Prior year adjustment			594,844	594,844
At 31 December 2017	300,000	357,123	4,461,922	5,119,045
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER	R 2018			
PARTICULARS	SHARE	GENERAL	RETAINED	TOTAL
FARTICULARS	CAPITAL	RESERVE	EARNINGS	
At 1 January 2018	300,000	357,123	4,461,922	5,119,045
Profit for the year			600,722	600,722
Proposed dividend			(300,361)	(300, 361)
Prior year adjustment			(501,457)	(501,457)
At 31 December 2018	300,000	357,123	4,260,825	4,917,948

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31.12. 2018 (Amounts in Tzs."000")

	2018	2017
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERARTING ACTIVITIES		
Net profit before tax	982,770	41,770
Adjustment for: Depreciation for the year	40,606	42,543
Depreciation on Disposal of assets	(22,028)	-
Profit before Changes in Working Capital	1,001,348	84,313
Change in Working Capital Item		
(Increase)/Decrease in Loan Portfolio	(1,289,464)	(1,669,268)
(Increase)/Decrease in Accounts Receivables	30,817	24,547
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payables	(85,664)	581,354
Cash Generated from Operations	(1,344,311)	(1,063,367)
Tax paid	(36,000)	(154,003)
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(378,963)	(1,133,057)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Additions during the year	(59,504)	(173,946)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(59,504)	(173,946)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Prior year adjustment	(501,457)	594,844
Borrowed fund	850,096	599,904
Dividend Paid	(20,000)	(40,950)
Net Cash From Financing Activities	328,639	1,153,798
Net Cash Flows(A+B+C)	(109,828)	(153,205)
Cash and Cash Equivalents as at 1st January	233,600	386,805
Cash and Cash Equivalents as at 31st December	123,771	233,600

Name and Title	Signature	<u>Date</u>
Reginald Massawe (Managing Director)		01/04/2019
Donath Olomi (Board chair)		01/04/2019

NATIONAL.NEWS

HESLB: RITA calls on students to verify their birth certificates

By Correspondent Gerald Kitabu

Trusteeship Agency (RITA) has called on all certificates.

students who are expected to apply for loans from the Higher Education Students' Loans Registration, Insolvency and Board (HESLB) to start verifying their birth

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ENVIROTEC HYGIENE AND PEST CONTROL LIMITED (Company No. 106493) INITIAL HYGIENE (T) Limited (Company No. 137624265

Of ASSET TRANSFER

(Pursuant to the Transfer of Businesses (Protection Of Creditors) Act (CAP 327 RE 20021)

Enviroted Hygiene and Pest Control Limited is an organization that carries out fumigation, washroom and hygiene services and pest control activities in Tanzania, with its registered office at Lugoda Street, Plot No. 2176/205, Dar es Salaam

The above-mentioned company is the "Transferor" that intends to transfer specific assets to Initial Hygiene (T) Limited (Company No. 137624265), ("Transferee") pursuant to the terms of a business purchase agreement entered into between the Transferor and Transferee on 19th October, 2018 (the "Agreement").

In the event that the conditions precedent to the Agreement are fulfilled, Transfer of the selected assets is expected to take effect on or around the later of: (i) the date falling two (2) months after the date of publication of this notice; and (ii) 23 July, 2019 [the "Completion Date") and, as from that date onwards, the Transferee will be undertaking the furnigation, washroom and hygiene services and pest control business.

In accordance with the Transfer Of Businesses (Protection Of Creditors) Act[Cap 327 RE 2002], all money debts or liabilities due and owing by the Transferor in respect of the furnigation, washroom and hygiene services and pest control up to the Completion Date (date of transfer) out above shall be received and paid by the Transferor. The Transferee will not assume nor is it intended to assume any liabilities incurred by the Transferor in the fumigation, washroom and hygiene services and pest control business up to the date of

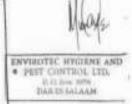
The address of the Transferor is at: Lugoda Street, Plot No 2176/205, P.O. Box 3076, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

The address of the Transferee is at: 1st Floor, Opal Place, 77 Haile Selassie Road, P.O. Box 79651, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

If the Agreement is not completed, this NOTICE shall be void ab initio and shall be of no effect.

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Envirotec Hygiene and Pest Control Limited Transferor centokil Initial Kenya Ltd. Transferee



The verification exercise also applies to students who have lost one or both parents. They are supposed to verify the death certificates of their parents.

Speaking at a press conference in Dar es Salam yesterday, RITA Administration General, Emmy Hudson explained that the Agency started the verification exercise vesterday, urging the students to start the exercise before it is too late. She said that one of the requirements of HESLB is for student to attach the birth certificates and other important

"Experience shows that many students tend to wait until it is too late. They start the verification exercise too late at a time when the HESLB is about to close the door for the loans application. This causes unnecessary inconvenience," he

She said that the student must do it directly through RITA or authorised representatives who have been guided such as the district administrative secretaries who are available across the country.

"Students must avoid conmen

who tend to hike the fees. We have such experience where in some internets; the students used such internets and their application did not reach RITA, others ended up paying more than thirty thousands. I stress again that the actual verification fee is three thousands only," she said.

She explained that the students must make sure that all documents for the verification are well readable, they must make sure that they open their own accounts and remember passwords because in the past, some certificates were not well readable and some of them used selfie-photos which are not accepted. "The students must be careful, they must read and follow all instructions in the advert including the portal provided by RITA before they start the verification exercise," she stressed

Last year RITA conducted similar verification exercise and more than 1800,000 sent their certificates for the verification out of whom more than 98,000 their documents were legal, and more than 2,000 their documents were not in the formal



Stanbic Bank regional economist Jibran Quereishi speaks at an event the bank held in Arusha at the weekend to showcase opportunities available in

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		financial institution and	
		pedestrian retail.	

Further clarification or sale of the Property can be sought from CDTF Tanzania office, NIC Investment House Samora Avenue& Mirambo Street, 2nd Floor between 08.30hrs to 15.00hrs between Mondays to Friday.

- 3. Prospective bidders submitting proposal are invited to visit the site during working hours
- 4. Selection shall be in accordance with CDTF Competitive selection procedures
- 5. The seller of the propety is at
- 5.Bids should be submitted in physical sealed envelopes plus non refundable fees of Tsh. 500,000 only payable to COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND OF TANZANIA NBC COORPORATE ACCOUNT NO. 011103003058 and delivered to the address below by or before 17th May, 2019 and be clearly marked BID FOR PROPERTY SALE -SAMORA & OHIO STREET PLOT 768/39.

All applications should be addressed to

Executive Director, Community Development Trust Fund of Tanzania (CDTF) Samora Avenue/Mirambo Street, NIC Investment House, 2Floor P. O. Box 9421, Dar es Salaam Tel: 255 22 2131472 or +255 22 2122759 E-mail: tzcdtf@yahoo.com or info@cdtf.or.tz , Website: www.cdtf.or.tz



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) PR/SCITZ/2018/004977

Consultancy to Conduct Endline Survey for the Child Protection and Child Rights Governance Programme.

Coverage Dar es Salaam, Songwe, Zanzibar and Shinyanga Regions.

Save the Children is one of the world's leading independent organisation for children working in 120 countries. We save children's lives; we fight for their rights; we help them fulfil their potential. We work together, with our partners, to inspire breakthroughs in the way the world treats children and to achieve immediate and lasting change in their lives. We have over two million supporters worldwide and raised 1.6 billion dollars in 2011 to reach more children than ever before, through programmes in health, nutrition, education, protection and child rights, also in times of humanitarian crises.

SCI Tanzania Office wishes to engage a highly experienced, reputable and well-established individual, firm or Institution to Conduct Endline Survey for Child Protection and Child Rights Governance Program with coverage in Dar es Salaam, Songwe, Zanzibar and Shinyanga Regions.

The key objective of the endline evaluation is to measure performance of the Child Protection and Child Rights Governance Programme against the expected outcomes using the documented monitoring reports, case studies, and lessons learnt and to make the recommendations for improving Child protection and Child Rights Governance programming in Tanzania.

> If you are interested in submitting a proposal/bid, please refer the link below that has a detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) and the Save the Children's Quality Scoring Tool.

https://tanzania.savethechildren.net/consultancy-conduct-endline-survey-child-protection-and-child-rights-governance-programme#overlay-context=consultancy-<u>conduct-endline-survey-child-protection-and-child-rights-governance-programme</u>

Sealed proposal/bids marked: "Endline Survey for Child Protection and Child Rights Governance Programme." must be delivered at the address below latest by 14th May 2019 on or before 11.00 a.m. Any proposal received after the indicated time shall be rejected.

Address to:

Tender Committee, Save the Children International - Tanzania Country Office, Plot No. 257 Kiko Avenue, Mwai Kibaki Road, Mikocheni P. O. Box 10414, Dar es Salaam

Further clarification could be sought through email: tanzania.logsshared@savethechildren.org

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A vendor hunts for customers for his hand-made baskets along Dar es Salaam's Ali Hassan Mwinyi Road yesterday. Photo: John Badi

Govt to subsidise menstrual pads for schoolgirls - Kijaji

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE government is charting the best modalities as it considers stakeholders' view on the best tax practices that will benefit girls to get sanitary pads at reasonable prices.

The Deputy Minister for Finance and Planning, Dr Ashatu Kijaji told the House here yesterday the move had been initiated due to stakeholders complaints that despite the government decision to remove VAT from the sanitary towels the products prices are still

Dr Kijaji said they went to study in Kenya on how they had been undertaking the issue for the underprivileged and those in rural areas at a price which will be conducive to them.

She said with free market the government has decided to delete some taxes but traders have been using the platform to make profit at the expense of girls and women.

However, she said, they are taking into consideration stakeholders' views as well as studying how each group will benefit from the tax relief and on how the taxes could be collected and come up with the best modalities for supply.

Dr Kijaji was responding to Dr Semesi Sware (Special Seats-Chadema) who wanted the government to go for an option that will guarantee the best prices of the products since the prices are high.

Dr Kijaji said they will look into possibility of the suggestion of the ring fenced of the taxes so that they can purchase the sanitary towels for the

Dr KIjaji said since they exempted VAT on sanitary towels in June last year, prior in 2016/17 financial year the government collected 3bn/- and in 2.5bn/- in 2017/18

Dr Shein challenges students to acquire educational skills for self-employment

By Guardian Reporter, Zanzibar

ZANZIBAR President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein has challenged graduates to acquire educational skills to employ themselves since the government cannot provide work for all of them.

He was speaking during the 14th graduation ceremony of the State University of Zanzibar (SUZA) held at its main campus at Tunguu, Zanzibar. There were a total of 1940 graduates from 56 different courses, of which 58

per cent are women and 42 per cent are yet to be utilized.

Dr Shein asserted that engaging on various entrepreneurship projects would make them excel in life because most successfully people in the world are those employed themselves.

"You must aim higher to succeed in life, your dreams should be to employ yourself and apply the acquired educational skills to maximize profits", said Dr Shein adding there are many entrepreneurship opportunities that (ILO) for working closely with the

The President commended SUZA for being able to increase the number of students each year as well as new course including Doctor of Medicine which had 25 graduates. He said the university also offered Apprenticeship courses to 53 students who were awarded certificates. All the students were from the tourism industry.

He however commended the International Labour Organization

government in ensuring that SUZA offers the best Apprenticeship courses in the tourism sector. "We are confident that you are well equipped with necessary skills and knowledge to work and improve the tourism sector which is the main contributor to our economic growth", he noted.

He said SUZA has been making progress every year whereas the introduction of Doctor of Medicine degree courses is clear indication that it is determined to continue producing

The 25 graduate doctors will help reduce health workers gap at our hospitals, he said. Dr Shein said the current patient/ doctor ration in Zanzibar is (1:6435) compared to the previous ratio of (1:23,000) in 1997, a situation contributed with growing

population. He said that in 1965 the government under Afro Shirazi party had planned that a single doctor should attend to 6000 patients per year, but the number

qualified graduates in different sectors. of patients per doctor has increased by more than three folds.

> The President directed the Ministries of Education, Agriculture and Fisheries, Natural Resources and Tourism to work closely with SUZA to facilitate training of its servants.

> He said the government is finalizing processes to join the Kizimbani Agricultural College with SUZA. He said once connected with SUZA, the college will be able to offer the best agricultural courses.

Hippo strikes, kills Tanzanian man in Kisumu

KISUMU

45-year-old fisherman has died after he was attacked by a hippopotamus in Muhuru Bay along the shores of Lake Victoria.

The Saturday incident occurred after the man, national, Tanzania allegedly went on a fishing expedition to Lake Victoria.

Nyankondo management chair Jared Songora said the man only identified as Nyakuti was attacked by the hippo as he cast his net in the lake.

According to Songora, the attack was so swift and sudden that even frantic calls for help by his colleagues could not do much.

"We alerted him that there was a hippo coming by but he could not swim fast enough and was caught up in the attack. The hippo tore him to pieces and drove him inwards," he said.

Songora said divers helped retrieve the badly mutilated body before the relatives transferred the body to Tanzania.

Local residents now claim the beach has been infested by hippos which have prevented them from carrying out their fishing activities in the lake.

They are now appealing to the government to help address the menace which has resulted in the loss of lives.

"The government should help us out of this menace that has crippled our fishing activities in the lake. We have lost many people to constant hippo attack," said Songora.

people Last two including a class eight pupil were killed in a hippo attack at the same place.

The government is yet to provide a solution to the human-wildlife conflict in this area.



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LEGAL SERVICES FACILITY (LSF)

CALL FOR CONCEPT NOTES FOR THE URBAN LEGAL **EMPOWERMENT PROJECT FOR DAR ES SALAAM-BASED NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS**

Introduction

The Legal Services Facility (LSF) is an organization created in 2011 and was registered as a company limited by guarantee without share capital in October 2013. It is a basket fund created to channel funding on equal opportunity basis to organizations which are providing legal aid and paralegal services in Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar.

Background

This call is issued following consultative processes that involved Urban-based legal Aid providers and other legal aid stakeholders that took place in 2016. The consultative process resulted into development of an urban legal empowerment approach. The approach was piloted by six (6) organizations based in Dar es Salaam in 2017/2018.

Projects under this call for concept notes will be implemented in Dar e s Salaam covering all districts namely Kinondoni, Temeke, Ilala, Ubungo and Kigamboni for a two year period 2019 – 2021.

General Selection Considerations:

Under this call for concept note, the LSF will select programs that will:

- · Clearly present a unique intervention of addressing urban justice issues specifically labour and employment among women, girls and youth
- Demonstrate potential to be replicated and scaled up in the same or other urban settings with cost effectiveness aspects
- · Clearly indicate how the project will be monitored and how relevant lessons will be documented and shared with other
- Significantly utilize legal empowerment approach as a central approach in realizing the changes
- · Demonstrate improved integration, partnership and coordination among legal aid providers and other stakeholders • Designed in such a way that at community level, the direction and management of the processes started can be sustained.
- **Applicants Eligibility**

This call is open only to Dar es Salaam-based Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) that have not participated in the implementation of the Pilot Urban Legal empowerment project, which have been involved in promotion and protection of human and women rights and/or provision of legal aid, legal education, including paralegal services and community mobilisation, engaged in other social and economic empowerment interventions. They should have established themselves as organisations with capacity to deliver the intended results and with an understanding of labour and employment related challenges facing women, girls and youth.

Application process

More information about this call including full details, concept note format, budget Template and the urban legal Empowerment approach, is available on the LSF website: www.lsftz.org. The deadline for receipt of the Concept Notes is Tuesday 07th May, 2019 at 16:00hrs. Clarification meeting will be held at the LSF office on Tuesday 30th April, 2019 at 10:00 hrs.

Delivery of the Application

Completed concept note should be addressed and hand-delivered or delivered by private courier services to:

Chief Executive Officer, Legal Services Facility, P. O. Box 31480, Bima Street, Nyati Rd., Mikocheni B, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Guardian

NATIONAL.NEWS

Minister elaborates on the African Peer **Review Mechanism**

By Henry Mwangonde

THE idea to amend mining laws originated from citizens during the compilation of views for the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) for Tanzanian some seven years ago, Foreign Affairs minister Prof Palamagamba Kabudi said yesterday.

According to Prof Kabudi, the decision to bring on board the Wealth and Natural Resources (Permanent Sovereignty Act) and Natural Wealth and Resources Contracts (Review and Renegotiation of Unconscionable Terms) Act, 2017, was a result of views that citizens aired during the APRM's evaluation of Tanzania in 2013.

Minister Kabudi was speaking yesterday when he opened the two days expert validation workshop on deepening the APRM review in Dar es Salaam.

The meeting brought together APRM experts from across Africa are also discussing the rationale and an achievement of the programme 15 years since it was established.

"The government did not just come up with the idea, it originated from this APRM and their views were that they felt they had little ownership to their natural resources," said prof Kabudi.

Prof Kabudi downplayed reports that the stories that laws were aimed at scaring inventors saying the aim was to ensure that the country's resources were valued.

He said APRM is key towards achieving the African agenda 2063 and the United Nations agenda 2030.

The Minister said he hoped that the deliberations will take into consideration the African context and come up with the best way to implement APRM.

Prof Kabudi said Tanzania success-

fully peer reviewed in January 2013 in Addis Ababa Ethiopia saying prior to this event, various stakeholders had been involved in the Country Self-Assessment process where the Country Self-Assessment Report (CSAR) was produced and validated by a Country Review Team.

"To a large extent, the process has added peoples' voices in the review of major policies in the following areas; the electoral process, education and health sectors, land management and the mining sector," he added.

In 2016, the Tanzania Country Review Report was tabled before the Pan African Parliament in Egypt. Apart from encouraging Tanzania to implement the challenges identified, Tanzania was hailed for having the only Union between two sovereign countries that has lasted for 50 years, maintaining peace and tranquility and having one unifying language which is Kiswahili.

The review involves looking at the challenges and successes during the implementation period.

This will be followed by formulation of a roadmap which will facilitate proper implementation of the APRM hence enhance good governance in Africa.

For her part APRM expert from Tanzania Dr Rehema Twalib said during the launching of Tanzania. She said APRM is an instrument for advancing good governance and that participation in the review process is an effective way for African countries to collectively meet their development goals.

"The government did not just come up with the idea, it originated from this APRM and their views were that they felt they had little ownership to their natural resources"



Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children minister Ummy Mwalimu (R) has an audience in Dodoma at the weekend with Prof Sang Young, managing director of South Korea's Radian Qbio. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Korean firm plans to invest in medical equipment manufacturing

By Guardian Correspondent, Dodoma

THE Korean medical facility manufacturing company-Radian Qbio intends to invest in the country in a bid to complement the government's industrialization agenda.

Speaking to the Minister for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, Ummy Mwalimu at Bunge premises in Dodoma over the weekend, Managing Director of Radian Qbio, Prof Sang Young thanked the government for what he called "a genuine and friendly support" in fulfilling the company's agenda to invest in Tanza-

to sell and invest in setting up a plant to manufacture medical equipment.

"We are quite impressed in the manner that most the government officers from Medical Store Department and TFDA handled us as we wanted to understand the investment climate here," He said currently we are in the ini-

tial stage to ensure that his company complies with the government laws and procedures regarding selling and marketing medical equipment and facilities in Tanzania.

The Radian Qbio CEO also impressed the Minister of the plan to

including the University of Dodoma and Nelson Mandela University and those in Korea to collaborate in various areas.

For her part, Minister Mwalimu thanked the delegation for choosing to invest in Tanzania, saying Tanzania was one of the best areas for investment, especially in the health sector.

She said the government was willing to assist them fulfil their investment dream. She said however, that they should ensure that they comply with the laws and procedures regarding investing in the country.

"We have experts and institutions

tify any foreign medical device, make sure you consult these institutions," the minister told the delegation.

On the proposed collaboration between Korean Universities and those from Tanzania, the minister hailed the company for devising the initiative, which said will provide exposure and provide study opportunity to the Tanzanian students.

The Delegation paid a courtesy call on the minister following invitation by the ministry to the company to demonstrate to the medical practitioners in Dodoma to get briefing of the Radian Qbio medical products.



THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMNENT OF ZANZIBAR MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND PLANNING

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT PROJECT FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE (ISPGG III)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ISPG/ZNZ/AfDB/QCBS/01/2019

CONSULTANCY SERVICES (FIRMS) TO FACILITATE OPERATIONALIZATION OF INTERNAL AUDITOR GENERAL- ZANZIBAR

> Financing Agreement reference: 2100150034794 Project ID No.: P-TZ-KFO-005

This Request for Expressions of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published in the UN Development Business (UNDB online) and the African Development Bank's Internet Website (www.afdb.org) on 30th November, 2017.

The Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar has received financing from the African Development Bank toward the cost of the Institutional Support Project for Good Governance (ISPGG III) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this loan to payments under the contract for the "Consultancy Services for to facilitate operationalization of internal auditor general department of ministry of finance and planning Zanzibar"

The objective of the assignment includes services but not limited to operationalise the office of the IAG by putting in place Operational plan, standardised Audit manual and Quality Assurance Manual in order to facilitate day to day activities.

The duration for the implementation of this assignment is Four (4) months.

The Ministry of Finance and Planning now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants" Edition May 2008, Revised July 2012, which is available on the Bank's website at http://www.afdb.org.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours; 7:30am to 3:30pm local time. Days not include public holiday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 7th May 2019 at 10:00am Local time and mentioned on the envelope "Expression of interests for Consultancy Services to Facilitate Operationalization of Internal Auditor

Late Expressions of Interest shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances.

Project Coordinator ISPGG III, Ministry of Finance and Planning, ISPGG III PCU Office, P.O. Box 1154, 12Keneth Kaunda Road 71402 Urban West, Vuga, Zanzibar.

Tel: +255 777 468 886/+255 777 470 557

E-mail: caliphansaid@yahoo.com or alimwalim@gmail.com



THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMNENT OF ZANZIBAR MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND PLANNING

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT PROJECT FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE (ISPGG III)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: ISPG/ZNZ/AfDB/QCBS/02/2019

CONSULTANCY SERVICES (FIRMS) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INVESTMENT REGULATIONS FOR THE ZANZIBAR INVESTMENT PROMOTION AND PROTECTION **AUTHORITY ACT NO. 14/2018**

> Financing Agreement reference: 2100150034794 Project ID No.: P-TZ-KFO-005

This Request for Expressions of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published in the UN Development Business (UNDB online) and the African Development Bank's Internet Website (www.afdb.org) on 18th September

The Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar has received financing from the African Development Bank toward the cost of the Institutional Support Project for Good Governance (ISPGG III) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this loan to payments under the contract for the "Consultancy Services Development of Investment Regulations For The Zanzibar Investment Promotion And Protection Authority Act No. 14/2018"

The objective of the assignment includes services but not limited to go through the Zanzibar Investment Promotion and Protection Authority (ZIPPA) Act so as to indicate areas which will need rise to make regulations for the smooth operation of the Act, To undertake a comprehensive review of the Act to understand the purpose and roles of ZIPA and facilitate stakeholders strategic planning workshop in which the interview of the various analysis and draft regulations will be discussed.

The duration for the implementation of this assignment is three months (3).

The Ministry of Finance and Planning now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

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Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours; 7:30am to 3:30pm local time. Days not include public holiday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 7th May 2019 at 10:00am Local time and mentioned on the

envelope "Development of Zanzibar Investment Promotion and Protection Authority Act No. 14/2018".

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Embattled Civic United Front (CUF) national Chairman Prof Ibrahim Lipumba (2nd-R) addresses journalists in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Among other things, he appealed to the government to make public the International Monetary Fund's statement on the state of Tanzania's economy. Others are the opposition party's secretary general Khalifa Suleiman Khalifa (R), Mchinga legislator Hamidu Bobali (L) and CUF defence director Masoud Mhina. Photo: John Badi

UNICEF supporting training for out of school adolescents

By Correspondent Friday Simbaya, Mbeya

THE United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in collaboration with Mbeya district council is supporting vocational trainings for Out of School Adolescents (IPOSA) who completed primary education but did not proceed to secondary education.

The trainings through Integrated Programme for Out of School Adolescents (IPOSA) has seen more than 100 young people receiving both life and vocational skills at the IPOSA Mbalizi Vocational Training Centre located at Mbalizi Teachers' Resource Centre in Mshewe ward in Mbeya district.

Speaking on behalf of other donors, Alice Motion, who is the Head of Programmes at the UK Department for International Development (UKAID) said that UNICEF is collaborating with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology and the Institute of Adult Education to implement the project.

She said that youth are integrated into literacy, entrepreneurship, life skills and vocational skills through IPOSA. She said the targeted group includes those who completed primary school and those who completed secondary school but couldn't proceed to Advanced level secondary education.

Data from Basic Education Statistics indicates that more than 30 per cent of the adolescents completing primary education do not continue with ordinary level secondary education.

According to Motion UNICEF in collaboration with Ministry of Education and Institute of Adult Education introduced an Integrated Post Primary Education (IPPE) that provides alternative educational pathway to younger adolescents who missed secondary educa-

More than 2440 adolescent girls and boys in country have been enrolled to the program. The youth have been equipped with various livelihood skills including tailoring, carpentry, electrical, cookery and motor vehicle mechanics.

Mbeya district education officer, Shile Swai commended UNICEF for introducing the IPOSA program which has so far helped a number of young people.

Swai said the government through Mbeya district is paying teachers working at the IPOSA Mbalizi VTC.

He said UNICEF is also supporting other projects including the community based nutrition program, Accelerating Stunting Reduction Project (ASRP) and Early Childhood Development (ECD).

With the nutrition program, he said that UNICEF helps to establish the basic architecture and function of children brain for them to grow stronger and healthy.

NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL OFFICER (CULTURE) Title:

Domain: Culture Grade: NOB Post Number: 6TZCLT1000RP

Organizational Unit: UNESCO Dar es Salaam Office Dar es Salaam, Tanzania Primary Location:

Recruitment open to: Only Nationals of Tanzania can apply for the post

Type of contract: Fixed Term

Annual Salary: 100,312,000 Tanzanian Shillings

Deadline (midnight, Tanzania): 23rd May, 2019

UNESCO Core Values: Commitment to the Organization, Integrity, Respect for Diversity, Professionalism

Overview of the functions of the post

Under the overall authority of the Assistant Director-General for Culture (ADG/CLT) and the direct supervision of the Head of the UNESCO Dar es Salaam Office, the incumbent will contribute to the design, implementation and coordination of activities carried out under Major Programme IV - Culture in Tanzania in view of supporting the Member State in their efforts to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the African Union Agenda 2063. The incumbent shall work as part of the interdisciplinary team in the UNESCO Dar es Salaam Office, in collaboration with culture stakeholders, and with technical guidance from Programme Divisions at Headquarters and the Culture Programme Specialist in the Multi-sectoral Regional Office for Eastern Africa in Nairobi. In this context, the incumbent will:

- · Contribute to identifying, designing and implementing activities in the field of culture in the country within the framework of the Culture Sector's strategies and priorities, particularly for the promotion, preservation and safeguarding of tangible and intangible heritage, the promotion of creative industries, and the advancement of the linkages between culture and development, to help build the institutional capacity of UNESCO's national/local counterparts and partners. In close cooperation with Headquarters, contribute to intersectoral programmes developed by the Office.
- Contribute to identifying, designing and implementing extra-budgetary projects in collaboration with Culture Partners to reinforce the Regular Programme and ensure the related required fundraising by mobilizing resources and partnerships including providing professional and technical contributions based on research and analysis, with an emphasis on the national perspective and potential.
- Coordinate the implementation of all technical cultural cooperation projects of the Office funded through extra-budgetary resources by monitoring implementation and outputs and ensuring timely implementation consistent with the approved project documentation.
- Maintain close contacts with the concerned national/local authorities and contribute to the development of national cultural policies. In this context, maintain working relations and interact with relevant governmental bodies, cultural institutions, as well as pertinent intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations. Maintain working relations with the concerned Resident Coordinator Office and other UN Agencies, groups and entities.
- Participate in joint programming exercises within the framework of the UN reform, such as Delivering as One, Common Country Assessments/United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks (CCA/UNDAF).

Competencies

A successful candidate will be required to demonstrate the following competencies:

Core Competencies

Accountability Communication Teamwork Innovation Results focus Planning and organizing Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement

For detailed information please consult the **UNESCO Competency Framework**

Required qualifications

Education

· Advanced university degree (Master's or equivalent) in the field of culture, social and human sciences or a related area.

Work Experience

- · Minimum of 2 years relevant experience in project implementation in the field of Culture,
- · Proven experience in designing and implementing programme and policies in the field of Culture.

Skills and competencies

- Strong analytical, problem solving skills,
- Proven resource mobilization skills,
- knowledge of UNESCO's standard-setting instruments and programmes in the field of cultural heritage,
- Proven ability to draft clearly and concisely,
- Ability to build, maintain and enhance working relations with national/local authorities, cultural institutions and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,
- Discretion and maturity of judgement,
- Good IT skill (word processing, spreadsheets, etc.).

Languages

- Excellent knowledge of English or French and very good knowledge of the other language,
- · Full proficiency of the official language of the duty station.

Desirable qualifications

Education

Relevant professional training in the field of

Work Experience

- Work experience in the UN or international organizations.
- Familiarity with the political context of the region.

Languages

• Knowledge of local languages (s) and dialects.

Assessment

An assessment exercise may be used in the evaluation of candidates

How to apply?

To apply, please send your CV together with the motivation cover letter ao.dar-es-salaam@unesco.org . Please clearly indicate in the subject line of your application message the post title and post number. The deadline for submission is 23rd May, 2019 at midnight (Tanzania).

Benefits and entitlements

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Taking A New Look At The News ESTABLISHED IN 1995

Land degradation: Issue not financing but property titles

is making strenuous efforts to uplift all sectors of the economy, with a semblance of debate still going on between experts as to what is the leading sector, industry or agriculture, a number of old issues keep recurring. One is a cry last week from a United Nations summit on desertification raising the issue of financial resources to curb land degradation, a standard recipe that is being combated by liberal thinking and constantly reiterated by left wing analysts, those opposed to increased use of banks, land speculation. They prefer aid as a

On account of post-independence Africa treating the felling of trees for charcoal as natural, and the seasonal rainfall mode as natural as well, awareness of the danger of desertification crept in slowly. Even by the mid-1990s where a crisis was brewing already in many African countries and has tended to persist, finding real solutions has been hard. Tanzania has plenty of coal resources and animal manure which if mixed with crop or wood residue could make a feasible substitute for charcoal, and even before gas discoveries. No one thought about it, for 55 years.

In a write up about the summit on desertification, a business analysis pointed out that nearly 500million hectares of once fertile land (five million square kilometers) had now been abandoned owing to desertification. It is also evident that millions of people have been pushed to forage on marginal land to which they would have migrated, many migrating to clogged cities and burgeoning towns, as the land fails to profitably hold more people. It is in view of this situation that African countries seek finance as part of remittances for lower levels of greenhouse gas emissions.

While African and a number of other on unusable land. It is really that simple.

THILE the government countries plead for finance to combat the widening scourge of desertification, ample resources which could be used to secure sufficient finances lie unutilised. The reason is that most African countries do not permit freehold ownership of land, or as it was decided concerning landholding in Dodoma Region lately, obtain land titles of up to 99 year leases with municipal or other levels of government. Such titles could enable cultivators to obtain loans or transfer the titles to other individuals who would be in a position to obtain loans.

> That isn't what top government officials are saying, as the minister responsible for Land, William Lukuvi, keeps reminding banks and financial institutions to accept customary titles of land occupancy. Needless to say banks are not heeding that call and even ward level lending groups balk at the titles. They are too hard to transfer.

> It is this kind of attitude which keeps Africa poor, as administrators don't wish to work with banks as technical instruments for rational lending and recovery, and keep thinking of tricks enabling their constituents, voters, to obtain loans while having an option of not paying, as collateral collection becomes unfeasible. That is the secret of millions of hectares of arable land lying idle as no one has a title to land that is easy to transfer when the land is held commercially, who can secure a bank loan to develop that land. It isn't a question of regulations for banks but long lease titles for peasants; they quickly transfer to commercial buyers to get capital.

> That is the crucial point, that the core of African economic management thinking is to retain original populations on ancestral land, then seek bank intermediation as a clever way of solving their problems. The methods can't work: Africa insists on old ownership modes while people perish

Celebrating UN English Language Day should be more than formality

observed annually on April 23 The event was established by UN's Department of Public Information in 2010 to celebrate multilingualism and cultural diversity as well as to promote equal use of all six official languages throughout the organization.

For the English language, 23 April was chosen because it is the date traditionally observed as both the birthday and date of death of William Shakespeare. Other dates were selected for the celebration of the UN's other five official languages.

Multilingualism is the use of more than one language, either by an individual speaker or by a community of speakers. It is believed that multilingual speakers outnumber monolingual speakers in the world's population. More than half of all Europeans claim to speak at least one language other than their mother tongue; but many read and write in one language. Always useful to traders, multilingualism is advantageous for people wanting to participate in globalization and cultural openness. Owing to the ease of access to information facilitated by the Internet, individuals' exposure to multiple languages is becoming increasingly possible. People who speak several languages are also called

Multilingual speakers have acquired and maintained at least one language during childhood, the so-called first language. The first language (sometimes also referred to as the mother tongue) is acquired without formal education, by mechanisms about which scholars disagree. Children acquiring two languages from these early years are called simultaneous bilinguals. Even in the case of simultaneous bilinguals, one language is usually dominant. People who know more than one language

N English Language Day have been reported to be more adept at language learning compared to monolinguals.

The term multiculturalism has a range of meanings within the contexts of sociology, of political philosophy, and of colloquial use. In sociology and in everyday usage, it is a synonym for ethnic pluralism, with the two terms often used interchangeably, for example, a cultural pluralism in which various ethnic groups collaborate and enter into a dialogue with one another without having to sacrifice their particular identities. In reference to sociology, multiculturalism is the end-state of either a natural or artificial process (for example: legally-controlled immigration) and occurs on either a large national scale or on a smaller scale within a nation's communities. On a smaller scale this can occur artificially when a jurisdiction is established or expanded by amalgamating areas with two or more different cultures.

Cultural diversity is the quality of diverse or different cultures, as opposed to monoculture, the global monoculture, or a homogenization of cultures, akin to cultural decay. The phrase cultural diversity can also refer to having different cultures respect each other's differences. The phrase cultural diversity is also sometimes used to mean the variety of human societies or cultures in a specific region, or in the world as a whole. Globalization is often said to have a negative effect on the world's cultural diversity.

Diversity refers to the attributes that people use to confirm themselves with respect to others, that person is different from me. These attributes include demographic factors (such as race, gender, and age) as well as values and cultural norms. The many separate societies that emerged around the globe differs markedly from each other, and many of these differences persist **The Guardian Limited Key Contacts**

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By Kole Omotoso

ELA says Water has no enemy. What happens when Water has too many friends? What happens to the water? What happens to the friends? What happens when Water makes them enemies of one another? The waters of the Nile River, the longest river on Earth, is making enemies of the 11 nations of Africa of more than 300 million souls, that live along its route to the Mediterranean Sea. Ethiopia is building a dam on the Blue Nile that supplies 85% of the waters of the Nile River. The remaining 15% flows from Lake Victoria through the White Nile, which runs through Uganda into the Sudan where it meets the Blue Nile in Khartoum, capital of the country.

Egypt, my third country in Africa after Nigeria and South Africa, hardly gets any rainfall throughout the year. It depends on the Nile River for 90% of its water needs. When former Egyptian President Morsi heard about the Ethiopian Renaissance Dam, he threatened to send soldiers to stop Ethiopia. The dam on the Blue Nile might be re-birth for Ethiopia, it could be the death of Egypt. Since then the two countries in particular and other countries on the path of the Nile River have been negotiating. And recently, when the 42 year old new prime minister of Ethiopia, Abiy Ahmed, visited Cairo, President Sisi of Egypt made the Ethiopian Prime Minister swear publicly that he will do nothing to 'hurt' (in Arabic wallahi, led by President Sisi) the water interest of Egypt. The Prime Minister swore to general laughter in the audience.

Two agreements exist on the ownership of the waters of the River Nile. The first was signed in 1929 while the second was signed in 1959. In 1929 Egypt signed a colonial type agreement with, guess with which country? You are right - with Great Britain! Or did you think it was with an African country? The 1959 agreement was signed between Egypt and the Sudan.

That agreement gave Egypt control over the waters of the Nile River along with authority to veto any projects on the river. Britain was representing Uganda, Kenya, Tangayinka (now Tanzania), and Sudan.

The 1959 agreement gave Egypt the right to 55.5 billion cubic meters of Nike water a year and the Sudan 18.5 billion cubic meters of water per year.

Whoever made the statement that future world wars will be fought on water and the access to water ought to be praised for his or her foresight. A few years ago a science fiction film was made of an alien race that came out of space to Earth to steal our waters, fresh waters as well as salt waters. How did that film resolve the conflict?

In 2009 or thereabouts, I attended the 40th anniversary of Muamar Gadafi in power in Libya as a member

What happens when water has too many friends?

I have too many friends but I don't have one true friend.

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of the Pan African Writers Association PAWA. During trips arranged for us to visit places in the country I asked to be taken to where Libya was mining water in the desert. Yes, there is water deep in the desert, pristine water available to the first person to reach it.

Libya is creating two rivers fed by these desert aquifers from below to make the ground above green again as it was millions of years ago. What is happening to that vision now?

Throughout the second half of the twentieth century the relation between the Arab countries in North Africa and the African countries South of the Sahara was dictated by Israel and apartheid South Africa. Every North African country calls itself the Arab one thing or the other include Africaloving Libya which styles itself the Arab Republic of Libya. The Arab countries promised to support African countries against apartheid South Africa If these African countries in their numbers supported Arab countries against the state of Israel to make Palestine survive. Over the years, South Africa defeated apartheid and Israel, with the for agriculture. A report by Reuters

unflagging aid of the western countries, saw the back of the Arabs and Palestine. What next for Afro-Arab Relations? Up comes the question of the sharing of the waters of the Nile River.

Post colonial responses to the coloniser are to be seen in expressions of dissatisfaction against colonial agreements that disadvantaged Africans. The countries of the Nile River, Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, South Sudan, Rwanda, Tanzania and Ugandan wanted more of the Nile River. Egypt has been gracious enough to negotiate with them.

Only a 10th of Kenya is within the Nile basin, but the waters of the Nile support 40% of the population of Kenya. Ethiopia and Eritrea have rainfall for only four months of the year. Eritrea is not a member of the World Bank created Nile Basin Initiative set up to help manage the waters of the Nile. Most of the countries through which the Nile River flows are mainly rural and underdeveloped.

80% of the Nile River water is used

claims that experts "call for better and more integrated use of water resources, saying many countries have been slow to adopt improved irrigation techniques." Flood irrigation remains the common method and this is considered inefficient and wasteful. So, some of the negotiation into the future would not be just about amounts of water to share but also how those shares are used. It would also take into consideration the rising of sea levels that is leading to saltwater invasion of the Nile as it enters the Mediterranean Sea. There is also the poor management of rainwater in the region leading to the loss of 30% of it before it can be used.

We need to be more conscious of not how we use water alone but how we misuse and abuse water. We can be grateful for the tropical rainfalls that we still enjoy. We need to capture rainwater rather than letting it flow away into wastes. We need to manage water from our springs and rivers and avoid polluting them. True water has no enemy. When something is dirty we wash it with water. Ifa asks when water is dirty with what shall we wash it?

Economic empowerment of women good for all

UNITED NATIONS

O V E R N M E N T staffer Souhayata Haidara enjoys talking about her life in a patriarchal society. Her career is a triumph of patience and perseverance, she tells Africa Renewal with a smile and a wink.

Haidara, currently the Special Adviser to Mali's Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, says she was lucky not to be married off at age 14 like some of her peers. Her father resisted pressure from suitors and relatives and insisted that the teenager be allowed to complete high school before getting married.

"In our culture, people believe education is for boys and that the women must marry and stay at home," she says.

Women's economic empowerment is anchored by education, maintains Ms. Haidara, who earned a degree in environmental science in the US on a scholarship from the United States Agency for International Development.

"I couldn't be where I am today without education. I earn an income. I educated my three children—a boy and two girls, now grown. I have a six-year-old granddaughter who is getting the best grades in class. That makes me very happy."

But Brandilyn Yadeta, a 32-year-old Ethiopian, missed out on education. "I had a baby at 19 and the father traveled abroad without letting me know. Since then, I continue to struggle to take care of my child, which is my priority, above my education." She is a small-scale trader.

If the father refuses to pay child support for his child, what options does a woman have? "What can I do?" Ms. Yadeta asks with frustration and regret.

Yadeta and others like her in Africa are unsung heroes—taking care of the family, a job mostly unrecognized by their society. Yet in monetary terms, women's unpaid work accounts for between 10% and 39% of GDP, according to the UN Research Institute for Social Development, which provides policy analysis on development issues.

The International Labour Organisation (ILO) states that women are disproportionately laden with the responsibility for unpaid care and domestic work. It highlights this issue to make the case for economic empowerment of women, which is now a front-burner topic in development literature.

Countries making reforms

A World Bank report titled Women, Business and the Law 2019: A Decade of Reform states that sub-Saharan Africa "had the most reforms promoting gender equality [of any region]." In fact, six of the top 10 reforming countries are there—the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Malawi, Mauritius, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Zambia.

Despite a protracted political crisis, the DRC made the most improvement based in part on "reforms allowing women to register businesses, open bank accounts, sign contracts, get jobs and choose where to live in the same way as men," states the report

Mauritius introduced civil remedies for sexual harass-



ment at work and prohibited discrimination in access to credit based on gender. Among the civil remedies, employers are prohibited from sexually harassing an employee or a job seeker while an employee must not sexually harass a fellow employee. Mauritius also mandated equal pay between men and women for work of equal value.

\$95 billion

is the amount that sub-Saharan Africa loses yearly because of the gender gap in the labour market. São Tomé and Príncipe equalized mandatory retirement ages and the ages at which men and women can receive full pension benefits—a move that increased the country's female labour force participation by 1.75%.

The World Bank's report by no means suggests that all is well with women in these countries. The report merely highlights the positive incremental changes that these countries are making.

The DRC, for example, may have implemented some pro-women's empowerment reforms, but women in that country still have no land or inheritance rights, according to the Global Fund for Women, a nonprofit.

Theodosia Muhulo Nshala, Executive Director of the Women's Legal Aid Centre, a non-profit in Tanzania, tells Africa Renewal that "men and women [in Tanzania] have equal rights to land ownership, thanks to the Village Land Act of 1999; however, customary laws exist that prevent women and girls from inheriting land from their husbands and fathers"

While women's participation in the labour force (mostly in the informal sector) is high in many sub-Saharan Africa countries–86% in Rwanda, 77% in Ethiopia and 70% in Tanzania–only in eight countries (Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Libya, Namibia, South Africa, Uganda and Zimbabwe) do more than 50% of women own bank accounts, according to the Global Financial Inclusion Database, which regularly publishes country-level indicators of financial

Not a zero-sum game

Economically empowering women is not a zero-sum game in which women win and men lose, notes Urban Institute, a policy think tank in Washington, D.C. Rather, Mckinsey Global Institute, a US-based management consulting firm, forecasts that, "A 'best in region' scenario in which all countries match the rate of improvement of the fastest-improving country in their region could add as much as \$12 trillion, or 11 percent, in annual 2025 GDP."

And UN Women, an entity for gender equality and women's empowerment, states: "Investing in women's economic empowerment sets a direct path towards gender equality, poverty eradication and inclusive economic

On the flip side, since 2010 sub-Saharan African economies have lost about \$95 billion yearly because of the gender gap in the labour market, says Ahunna Eziakonwa, Director of UNDP's Regional Bureau for Africa (see interview on page 22). "So imagine if you unleash the power, talent and resolve of women."

Empowerment is limited

Experts believe that women's economic empowerment is the key to achieving the African Union's Agenda 2063, a continental framework for socioeconomic transformation of the continent, and several goals in the UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

That includes Goal 1, ending poverty; Goal 2, achieving food security; Goal 3, ensuring

good health; Goal 5, achieving gender equality; Goal 8, promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all; and Goal 10, reducing inequalities.

Aspiration 6 of Agenda 2063 envisages an "Africa whose development is people driven, relying on the potential offered by people, especially its women and youth, and caring for children."

Taking action

What can countries do to empower women economically?

In a blog for the World Bank, Cape Verde's Minister of Finance, Planning and Public Administration Cristina Duarte and the World Bank's Vice President for Infrastructure Makhtar Diop recently encouraged "support [for] young women during adolescence—a critical juncture in their lives."

The Empowerment and Livelihood for Adolescents programme in Uganda, which "uses girl-only clubs to deliver vocational and 'life skills' training," is a good example, according to Ms. Duarte and Mr. Diop.

The World Bank recommends, among other actions, the passage of laws that foster financial inclusion. Ms. Eziakonwa believes that countries must expunge laws that are obstacles in women's way, including those that prohibit them from owning land.

South African journalist Lebo Matshego is urging women's rights activists to use social media to lobby against those customs and traditions that infringe on the rights of women.

Vera Songwe, head of the Economic Commission for Africa, the first woman to lead the organization, says women, especially in rural areas, need access to the internet to be able to take advantage of new technologies.

The UN Secretary-General's 2018 CSW report titled Challenges and Opportunities in Achieving Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Rural Women and girls advises countries to "design and implement fiscal policies that promote gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls by investing in essential infrastructure (ICT, sustainable energy, sustainable transport and safely managed water and sanitation)."

According to Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, a former president of Liberia, affirmative action is the way to go.

She says that "now is the time for preferential treatment of women," such as quotas on jobs and access to credit.

UN Women supported a review of Kenyan public procurement in 2013, and Kenya now reserves a minimum of 30% of annual government spending for women. In 2017, through its Women's Economic Empowerment programme,

UN Women reported successfully training 1,500 women vendors in Nairobi to participate and benefit from the government supply chain. This is one example of an action in line with Ms. Sirleaf's suggestion.

The quality of jobs that women do also matters, writes Abigail Hunt, a researcher with the Overseas Development Institute, a UK-based think tank. "Empowerment is limited when women enter the labour market on unfavourable terms.

This includes women's engagement in exploitative, dangerous or stigmatized work, with low pay and job insecurity." In other words, women need access to high-paying, safe and secure jobs.

"The road to women's economic empowerment is irreversible," maintains Ms. Sirleaf. "It's taking a while to get it, but it's coming; no one can stop it."











TERMS OF REFERENCE

Tittle	Radio Programming Airing	
Purpose	To create announcement for Radio stations to bid	
Location	Mwanza	
Duration	Qualified Radio station will enter into a long-term Agreement with	
	IMPACT for one year (June 2019-May2020)	
Deadline for Submission 7th May 2019		
	Send to akftzprocurement@akfea.org	

BACKGROUND

Improving Access to Reproductive, Maternal and Newborn Health in Mwanza, Tanzania' (IMPACT) project will accelerate the reduction of maternal and newborn mortality in Tanzania by addressing major reproductive, maternal and newborn health (RMNH) challenges in eight districts of Mwanza region. This will be through implementation of IMPACT project which is executed by Aga Khan Development Network in partnership with the Government of Tanzania and with funding support from Global Affairs Canada (GAC). IMPACT comprises of two components: 1) improving availability of quality maternal, newborn and health (MNH) services and 2) increasing utilisation of MNH services by women and their families.

IMPACT Project is expecting to run radio programming and talk shows on different Radio stations in Mwanza Region. The Radio programs aims at broadcasting of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Adolescent Health issues. These programs will create awareness and advocate for behavior change within Mwanza communities. They will be used as tools to amplify community from the normal practices including myth and beliefs in maternal and new born health behaviors which cause damages and lead to mortality and parental death in Mwanza region.

These radio platforms will raise the voice of voiceless who will share their knowledge, asking questions and demonstrating their views in advocating for change especially in SRMNAH issues. Through these special programs in radio's, will address critical issues and raise dialogues with duty bearers to take actions. IMPACT staff in collaboration with government officials will participate to educate and create awareness for change.

RADIO SHOW OBJECTIVES.

Create awareness among communities in Mwanza Region on RMNAH related issues.

Create Platforms for dialogues in advocating for social behavioral change.

SCOPE OF THE WORK

For IMPACT staff (SBCC)

- Working with the team to identify the topics
- Develop the script and details for airing the programs
- Participate in media schedule arrangement, dermo preparation, and participant invitations
- Organize the crew to produce the media materials
- Submit a draft for review and comments by IMPACT staff
- Incorporate all the comments and submit the final version

FOR Radio station

Develop program contents and details of the show for review and comments by IMPACT project. Air the program as per agreed time and duration

Coordinate with IMPACT staff to advise other relevant people to execute the programme. Submit a copy (CD) of the programme and media report to IMPACT project.

REQUIREMENT FOR RADIO STATION

- 1. 96 programs will be aired in a year (June 2019 to May 2020), eight times in a month and 24 programs in a quarter.
- 2. A broadcast of 45 minutes radio programs from each station.
- 3. These programs should be aired from 1900hrs to 2100hrs depending on suitable time approved by the team.
- 4. Each radio station should repeat the programs the following day after airing the programs.
- 5. Radio station must be in Mwanza Region and its coverage should reach the six districts of the project.

Qualifications and experience required / evaluation criteria:

The radio station should fulfill the following requirements to be selected for this assignment:

- At least three years of professional work experience in producing media programmes.
- Experience of producing media contents for health issues, especially maternal and new born health and owning a program on health not a segment
- Previous work experience with NGO's and/or Government institution. Submission of the previous sample work

How to apply

The qualified Radios are requested to send in their bids based on the ToR. The submission should include a company profile, and CV of the team leader, list of key media materials produced in the last 3 years, existing clients, sample work (preferably on health issues). A dummy radio script or radio spot on a health topic (e.g. Maternal and New born health, Adolescent and gender responsiveness). is also requested as part of the submission.

Sri Lanka survivors narrate trauma of terror attacks

COLOMBO

26-year-old Suganthi Kannasamy dressed for the Easter Mass last Sunday, she was joyful. It was her fiveyear-old daughter's birthday and she had planned an Easter lunch at her house, located in Kochchikade, in Sri Lanka's capital.

Suganthi was a Catholic and visited the St. Anthony's Church every Sunday with her husband and daughter. Her house was located in close proximity to the church.She felt safe there.

A while after Suganthi entered the St. Anthony's Church, holding her daughter's hand on Sunday, the girl wanted to go out to have a small snack."

As I made my way out, I suddenly felt a huge impact hit me from behind. I fell to the ground and could not wake up for a few seconds.

Everything was hazy. Suddenly I smelt blood," she said.Suganthi got injuries to her back, hand and right leg. She said within a few seconds people were crying, screaming. She immediately turned around to find her daughter, who was lying a few

She rushed to her, in pain."My heart stopped. I carried my daughter and wanted to rush out. There was a lot of screaming and crying. No one knew what had happened. I rushed with my daughter outside, weeping," she said.

Once out, Suganthi heard her daughter crying on her shoulder. She was relieved."I ran away from the area as far as possible. I did not know what had happened. I ran till I reached a safer road.

Then I collapsed."Suganthi was rushed to the Colombo National Hospital but due to her injuries being non severe, she was discharged on Monday morning. Her daughter is safe with a small bandage around her arm. She is safe near her husband. "Who did this?" she questioned.Suganthi is not the only one living in fear now.

The blast which hit the St. Anthony's Church in Kochchikade claimed lives of at least 73 people, according to officials from the Colombo National Hospital.

Some injured eye witnesses said

that they saw the bomber. He was seen carrying a large bag and went and sat in one of the middle benches of the church.

In a nearby church in Dematagoda, a local resident, Francis Perera told Xinhua that moments after the explosion in St. Anthony's Church, police entered their church and requested people to go back home.

"All they told us was that there had been a blast nearby and all must go home immediately," she said. She and her family left." Many of the injured are recovering.

There are foreigners among those injured and presently we have all the medical facilities in place to treat all of them," said Dr. Kumara Wickremesinghe, Deputy Director General of Colombo National Hospital.

Just shortly after the St. Anthony's explosion, a bomb ripped through the St. Sebastian's Church in Negombo, in the outskirts of the capital. Hundreds had been in church, taking part in Easter Mass.

So far at least 104 people have died in that explosion with over 100 injured, according to officials from the Negombo Hospital.

Then shortly afterwards, a third bomb struck the Zion church in Batticaloa, in the eastern province, where at least 300 people were attending Easter Mass. Twenty-eight people have so far died in that blast, while over 50 have been injured, according to Batticaloa Hospital sources.

The Ragama Hospital in Colombo also received seven bodies while 32 of those injured are receiving treatment. As panic spread across the island country following the church bombings, explosions occurred in the Shangri-la Hotel, the Cinnamon Grand Hotel and the Kingsbury Hotel in Colombo.

All explosions happened in the main restaurant of the hotels, when guests were having their breakfast.Guests including foreigners all rushed out of the hotels, in fear and were guided by the respective hotel managements. The dead and injured were rushed to hospitals.

The latest death toll from the blasts, according to the police, is 310 killed and over 500 injured. The dead include 32 foreigners.

"We severely condemn these at-



Police and forensic officials inspect the site of an explosion at the Shangri-la hotel in Colombo, Sri Lanka, on April 21, 2019. AP Photo

tacks. I urge for people to remain calm and united and to assist the official authorities conduct swift investigations. We will catch those behind these attacks," President Maithripala Sirisena said in a statement, hours after the explosions.

Tri forces and the police had cordoned off the blast sites, and several government and opposition legislators visited the explosion sites to asses the extent of damage.

Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe, visiting the St. Anthony's Church in Colombo on Sunday, urged people to remain calm but said those responsible will be caught.

"We will never let terrorism raise its pect was arrested but three police ofhead again in this country," he said.As fear and panic had spread across the country over the church and hotel explosions, terror struck again on Sunday

At 2:00 p.m. local time, a bomb ripped through a small hotel, located close to the Dehiwala Zoo in Colombo. Three people died from the explosion.

Then at 2:30 p.m. another blast occurred in a housing complex in the highly populated Dematagoda area, also in Colombo.

Police said shortly after this blast, a suspect had hidden himself in a house in the area with explosives. The susficers were killed in a shoot out.

The government have vowed to conduct thorough investigations and said massive search operations were underway to nab the suspects. The police said so far, 24 had been arrested.

Sri Lanka's Health Minister Rajitha Senaratne in a media briefing on Monday said that a local Muslim radical group, the "National Towheed Jamat" is responsible for the attacks.

He said police had also received prior information of possible terror attacks but adequate measures had not been taken.

On Sunday evening, Prime Minister

Wickremesinghe expressed disappointment over not being informed that the police had received prior information and said the matter would be looked into.

President Sirisena has appointed a special committed to probe into the explosions. His office said that he had made an appeal to the international community to assist in the probe.

An island wide curfew was also reimposed on Monday evening, starting 8:00 p.m. local time which would end 4:00 a.m. Tuesday. The government is calling Sunday's attacks as the bloodiest day in Sri Lankan history.

Xinhua

What do party manifestos actually say about corruption?

BY JUDITH FEBRUARY

Corruption has probably not cast a shadow over any election in South Africa since 1994 quite as it is doing now. The scale and brazenness of 'state capture' under former president Jacob Zuma has shown just how destructive it could be - not just diverting and appropriating resources, but undermining the whole fabric of South Africa's governance system.

How the country's major parties intend to act provides some insight into how they see the problem, and what sort of action they believe is feasible given the depth of the challenge.

The approach of the African National Congress (ANC), as the party that has largely presided over most of South Africa's corruption scandals - and which will probably remain the keystone of the country's politics - naturally piques the most interest.

All over the campaign trail President Cyril Ramaphosa has emphasised the so-called clean-up, and that any future government he leads will promote honesty and integrity in public life. This includes a 'clean-up' within the ANC itself, promising that those placed in positions of power will be 'uncorrupted, honest and self-disciplined with clear values [and] who can resist moral

As with most of its manifesto, the ANC's stance on corruption is set out in broad, non-specific brushstrokes. Not much comes across as particularly new or innovative. It will 'strengthen' the criminal justice system, 'step up' measures against private sector malfeasance, 'ensure' lifestyle audits, 'strengthen' restraints on public servants

doing business with the state, 'develop' systems to prevent tender fraud, and 'build and strengthen' a social compact against corruption.

In a nutshell, there is rather more continuity than change here, although it is perhaps noteworthy that the ANC's manifesto attempts to appropriate the fight against state capture. It was after all the ANC as an organisation that enabled leaders such as Zuma and secretary-general Ace Magashule to engage in state capture unhindered while attacking and undermining those attempting to resist grand-scale corruption.

The Democratic Alliance (DA) has anchored much of its brand and appeal on its opposition to corruption and a promise of honest, effective government. This was much easier as an opposition party, yet in government it has had to weather its own share of scandals.

nently in its manifesto. Little doubt is left that the DA regards it as one of the key issues confronting South Africa.

The DA's manifesto probably predictably emphasises the ANC's record on this matter, and locates its anti-corruption strategy as part of expanding opportunities for individual South Africans and the prosperity of the country as a whole.

It also refers to its own successes in dealing with corruption, in contrast to the conduct of the ANC. At one point it describes the latter as having used the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro as a 'piggy bank'. It also warns that 'the ANC will not bite the hand that feeds it, even if the consequences are devastating for South Afri-

Thus it commits to rooting out graft, not only as a general principle, but specifically

Nevertheless, corruption features promi-regarding numerous distinct sectors. For example it promises to act against corruption in employment (cash for jobs, for instance). It points to corruption as a partial explanation for the failures of state-owned enterprises, land reform, empowerment, education and housing.

> The DA offers some detail on its proposed strategy, although not much. It says it will overhaul empowerment policy, so as to enhance opportunities for ordinary South Africans and grow the economy. It suggests altering governance and administrative structures in education, and providing necessary support, to ensure their functionality. Precisely how this is to be implemented is unclear.

> The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) is hoping to see a surge in support. Not unlike the DA, it has tried to position itself as a fearless opponent of corruption. This was always a controversial stance, given long-standing corruption allegations around the conduct of party leader Julius Malema in relation to his company On-Point Engineering in Limpopo, and more recently his deputy Floyd Shivambu regarding the VBS Mutual Bank saga.

> Its manifesto makes numerous commitments on corruption that wouldn't be out of place in any other manifesto. It promises to 'increase' efficiency, 'protect' the independence of such bodies as the Auditor-General and Public Protector, 'strengthen' whistle-blower protections and to increase the severity of punishment for corruption.

> It proposes instituting minimum sentences of 20 years for civil servants and representatives found guilty of corruption, and denying them their pensions.

> The EFF's manifesto envisages building 'internal capacity to fulfil its own functions and responsibilities, thereby avoiding being influenced and having its employees bribed by private companies and consultants in the fulfilment of government tasks'.

> Besides this, it proposes some far-reaching changes such as amending the constitution to make the National Prosecuting Authority a Chapter 9 institution (in other words, at arm's length from most of the state machinery), and instituting state administration courts that would deal expeditiously with instances of corruption, blacklisting offenders and recovering lost money.

> While each of these manifestos makes appropriate promises, and contains some ideas worthy of consideration, implementation is crucial for the country to root out corruption. This will require leadership and an adherence to the rule of law in all spheres of society. The new National Director of Public Prosecutions will play an important role in this. It will also be important to repurpose the state institutions which have been hollowed out for the purposes of state capture.

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Credit reporting, financial literacy vital in Tanzania's socio-economic development

By Guardian Reporter

FINANCIAL education on credit report has become one of the challenges facing borrowers, which have contributes to the misuse of loans without reaching their goals after failing to repay the loan on time.

That's why Bank of Tanzania (BoT) in collaboration with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group, ventured into a new program aimed at increasing understanding among Tanzanians on issues related to credit reporting and access to credit report—a document that shows details of a person's borrowings and repayment pattern/behaviour. A good credit history means that a person is financially creditworthy.

The credit reports prepared by credit bureaus-Creditinfo and Dun & Bradstreet—can be obtained from bureaus by anyone once a year.

In the awareness campaign dubbed; "Get Your Credit Report today. Check your financial health to plan a better tomorrow", the initiative is being supported by different players across the financial services sector, who are committed to scale up awareness messages on why access to credit is important and how people can live a better life by having access to their credit reports.

According to Nkanwa Magina, assistant manager responsible for Credit Reference Operations from BOT, in today's era, credit report is one of the most important documents in one's

financial life

Magina says: "A good credit history is essential for everybody to get a loan, a mobile phone service, a vehicle and in some cases, even a job."

"To me, credit report is a critical indicator of your financial health. It shows the details of the money you have borrowed and repaid, or you are busy repaying, and helps lenders predict how likely you are to repay the loan and timely make the payments.

If you apply for a loan to help with school fees, for example, the bank will use your credit information to decide whether to give you the loan or not, and on what terms," the expert

He adds: "It also helps people who want to have a business relationship with you like employers, landlords and retailers to decide how trustworthy you are."

Prof Florens Luoga, central bank governor also says the recent launch of the awareness campaign on the matter signifies the bank and other stakeholders' commitment towards increasing awareness on credit reporting system and financial literacy as important elements in the functioning of the credit market, financial intermediation, financial stability and overall economic development of the country.

"It is envisaged that, through this awareness campaign, the various categories of stakeholders will become aware of the benefits of utilizing the credit reference system. The messaging

will be targeted to both lenders and borrowers in order to foster an entrenched appreciation of the credit-reporting tool and the benefits to all stakeholders," he says.

Why is a credit report important?

IFC country manager, Manuel Moses is of the view that a credit report helps lenders—banks and microfinance organizations to predict how likely one is to repay a loan and make payments when they are due. If you apply for a loan, the credit provider will use your credit information to decide whether to give you the loan, and on what terms—interest rates or repayment terms.

"In order to get your credit report, you must submit a copy of either your Voter's identity card (ID); National ID card; driving licence; passport or employer's id to the credit bureau and fill in a request form from Credit info or Dun &Bradstreet," he adds.

He further explains that the credit report helps to know reasons if a loan application has been rejected and provides an opportunity to fix the issues before making a fresh application.

"Checking your credit report is one of the best ways to spot potential fraud and protect you from the impact of identity theft. It also helps to take stock of your debt. You can see all your debts and accounts in your credit report. This will give you a different perspective on your financial situation and help you to better plan for and manage your finances," Moses says.

"You're entitled to one free credit report a

year from Credit info and/or Dun & Bradstreet. Just like you get your health checked by going to a doctor, make sure you check your financial health as well," he says.

Important things to check on your credit

Head of Business Development at Creditinfo, Tonny Missokia says: "The first thing you have to check is personal information. It is also important to make sure that information such as your name, marital status, address, employment information and contact numbers are correct."

He also describes credit information history, as a section, which shows the number and types of credit accounts someone has such as short-term loans, mortgages, utility payments, mobile phone payments.

"A client must ensure she/he checks that the accounts displayed, the amounts you owe, and your payment history is correct," he stresses.

He also reveals: "Enquiries occur when a potential credit provider examines your credit report and uses that information to decide whether to extend an offer for credit. For example, if you apply for a home loan or vehicle finance, your credit provider will make an enquiry to help determine if you qualify for the loan. Check that this information is correct."

On ways of improving credit score, Missokia says that in order to improve your credit score you must pay your bills on time.

If you have an overdue bill, or an unpaid

debt, make arrangements to pay it off but also set up a budget and live within it, and also educate your family about what it means to budget to ensure each of you work towards the same goal

"Don't ignore your debts and financial obligations. It will only add to your problems. Do not wait until you cannot pay your bills. As soon as you have financial problems, talk to your creditor and try to work out a payment arrangement while your financial situation improves."

Steps to correct an erroneous credit report Manager of Business Development at Dun & Bradstreet, Josephine Temu, also says: "If you find errors in your credit report, you should contact the credit bureaus, Creditinfo or Dun &Bradstreet, to dispute the information and request that the information be corrected accordingly."

"When disputing information on your credit report, you should provide information about yourself, such as your name, address, date of birth and proof of identification; specific details about the information that is being disputed; and explain the basis of your dispute.

"Have a copy of your credit report that contains the disputed information available. The bureau must investigate the dispute within two days. If the inaccuracy is attributed to it, the bureau will have to investigate within 15 days of receiving the notification and advise the complainant accordingly," she said.

Manufacturing key to boosting growth and job creation in East Africa - AfDB Outlook Report

By Guardian Reporter and Agencies

THE manufacturing sector will hold the key to future growth in East Africa, the African Development Bank's Lead Economist for the Bank's East Africa Regional Office has said

Dr Marcellin Ndong-Ntah said the manufacturing sector's potential to accelerate regional economic growth, generate more job creation, and ultimately reduce poverty was significant.

"In order to achieve this objective, countries must continue to look for alternative sectors of economic growth, emphasize regional trade and continue to process goods for export rather than selling raw commodities," Ndong-Ntah said.

Mr. Gabriel Negatu, Director General of the Bank's East Africa Regional Development and Business Delivery Office East Africa Regional Office, said robust economic growth was possible in countries taking steps to move their economies away from reliance on the export of raw commodities like tea, coffee, minerals and oil.

Economic growth across East Africa will remain robust at 5.9 percent in 2019, higher than the continental average annual growth rate of 4 per cent and making it a promising investment and manufacturing destination, according to the 2019 East African Economic Outlook Report

The report puts Ethiopia in the lead as the fastest growing economy in the region with an average annual growth rate of 8.2 per cent followed by Rwanda next at 7.8 per cent; Others are Tanzania at 6.6 per cent; Kenya 6 per cent, Djibouti 5.9 per cent and Uganda 5.3 per cent.

Overall, most of the economies in East Africa are expected to continue on higher growth trajectories, with an expected average annual economic growth of 6.1% in 2020. This will be driven by the high investment rate, robust private consumption from the demand side; and agriculture recovery, and expansion of industry and services from the supply side, the report noted.

Dr. Abraham Mwenda, Lead Economist at the Bank's East Africa Regional Office noted that despite rising debt levels across the continent, there is no systemic risk of debt crisis yet.

He also noted that even though many African countries are recording robust growth rates, the growth is still insufficient to address the employment challenge across the continent.

On regional integration, the regional report noted that there are numerous opportunities for fostering monetary unions, cross-border transportation, and regulatory bonds to increase the ease of movement of goods, services and people.

The region's 5 landlocked countries and the presence of small island states such as Comoros and Seychelles also offer opportunities for integration.

This is consistent with the key findings of the Continental Economic Outlook Report.

In fact, the continental report emphasizes that regional integration is imperative for African economies because it increases market size and boosts trade among members by removing trade barriers, helps to exploit economies of scale, enhances competition and increases cross-border investments, and at a deeper level, fosters peace and security.



Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children minister Ummy Mwalimu (C) listens to Ain Shariff (R) of Bilal Muslim of Tanzania, coordinator of an eye screening camp held at Maawal Secondary School at the weekend. Photo: Correspondent Boniface Gideon

Africa's megacities a magnet for investors

By Guardian Reporter and Agen-

cies

MEGACITIES, cities with a population of at least 10 million, are sprouting everywhere in Africa.

Cairo in Egypt, Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Lagos in Nigeria are already megacities, while Luanda in Angola, Dar es Salaam in Tanzania and Johannesburg in South Africa will attain the status by 2030, according the United Nations.

Abidjan in Côte d'Ivoire and Nairobi in Kenya will surpass the 10 million threshold by 2040. And by 2050 Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso, Addis Ababa in Ethiopia, Bamako in Mali, Dakar in Senegal and Ibadan and Kano in Nigeria will join the ranks - bringing the total number of megacities in Africa to 14 in about 30 years.

The number of people living in urban areas in Africa will double to more than 1 billion by 2042, according to the World Bank.

The University of Toronto's Global Cities Institute, which monitors cities' population growth and socioeconomic development worldwide, forecasts that Lagos will be the largest city in the world by 2100, housing an astonishing 88 million people, up from 21 million currently.

In a 2016 paper titled African Urban Futures, published by the Institute for Security Studies, an African independent research organisation that aims to enhance human security on the continent, researchers Julia

Aucoin wrote: "The current speed of Africa's urbanisation is unprecedented in history. For some it is the 'single most important transformation' that is happening on the continent." They add that African "cities and towns will increasingly shape the lives of people living on the continent".

Africa's demographic transition, caused by the "youth bulge," an increase in the population of people between 15 and 29 years of age, will continue to fuel a move to the big cities because "young people are generally more prone to migrate to urban areas" than older people, according to Bello-Schünemann and Au-

While millions of rural Africans move to cities in search of high-paying jobs and a bet-

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The current geoning metropolises also offer strong incentives to investors foreign and domestic.

Power of population

Lagos is a prime example of the economic power in Africa's megacities. From its technology hub ecosystem - Africa's largest - to its successful banking sector and prosperous film industry, venture capitalists see many investment opportunities in Nigeria's commercial capital.

According to a report by the telecom trade body GSM Association, there are 31 tech hubs in Lagos, 29 in Cape Town and 25 in Nairobi. The value of innovative tech spaces to African economies is massive, as investors pump capital into start-ups and hence contribute to coun-

tries' GDPs. In 2017 outgoing Lagos State Governor Akinwunmi Ambode announced that the state's GDP had reached \$136 billion, about a third of Nigeria's GDP (\$376 billion) and more than the combined GDPs of Ghana (\$47 billion) and Tanzania (\$52 billion).

Steve Cashin, founder and CEO of the private equity firm Pan African Capital Group, believes that investors are focusing on Africa's megacities because of market size.

"My firm does a lot of business in Liberia, and one of the main constraints to growing

businesses and attracting investment there is the population size and density. When the entire country's population is just about 4 million, and you're likely only to reach a small fraction of that, it is harder to make a compelling business case," says Cashin.

A single Lagos district can be a market the size of an entire country such as Botswana. Because people in Lagos are concentrated, companies can benefit from lower fixed costs and easier distribution. "The economics are just more attractive," he adds.

Kenya banks on interregional trade to meet food deficit

NAIROBI

KENYA is banking on inter-regional agro-based trade to meet the outstanding 2 million metric tons of wheat, 600,000 metric tons of rice and up to 500,000 metric ton of maize deficit.

According to the Principal Secretary, East African Community and Regional Development, Dr Margaret Mwakima, Uganda and Tanzania, are producing the agricultural produce in surplus and it will be prudent if Kenya will import from them annually to bridge the gap of food security by the year 2022.

Grain production in the East African region has increased by 50 per cent in the period between 2007 and 2016.

Uganda and Tanzania registered notable amounts of the region's staple food commodities measured in surplus. On the contrary, Kenya has continued to record a considerable deficit in staple food production for a range of reasons such as climate change and pesticides.

According to Dr Mwakima, inter-regional trade in agricultural commodities will be the ultimate solution to cover the deficit whilst boosting the food security agenda of the government in the next three years.

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The PS says that for Kenya to compete with its neighbours in green business the government has instituted a business environment program that will ensure policies are streamlined.

Speaking during Regional Grain Stakeholder Forum, AGM, the Chairman of the East Africa Grain Council said, the council has formulated strategies that are geared towards improving green business investment for the member stated so as to eliminate the burden of overdependence among member states.

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- Follow up with Business units on remedial actions accounts in arrears and for non-compliance with credit facilities approval conditions;
- Monitor planned remedial actions and recovery strategies for defaulting borrowing customers and provide status reports monthly to the Management;
- Prepare Credit portfolio provision report quarterly taking into account both qualitative and quantitative
- Ensure that the account in arrears and recovery procedures are adhered to;
- Perform any other duties as assigned by Management from time to time.

1.3 Qualification, Experience and Competences

- Bachelor Degree in the field of Finance & Banking, Accounting, Business Administration, or other related

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2. AGRIBUSINESS OFFICER

2.1 Scope of responsibilities

The position involves getting appropriate markets and marketing options for agricultural produce and their linkages to various value chain stakeholders. It will also oversee various funding options for agricultural activities and devise sustainable linkages with financial service providers aimed at ensuring reliable cashflows sufficient to

cover financial commitments to the funders.

The objective is to have adequately funded agricultural sector capable of generating reliable and sufficient cashflows that guarantee creditworthiness customers who use and deploy banking services for mutual development of the parties, namely the players in agricultural projects and their value chains as well as the financier – a banking institution.

2.2 Duties and responsibilities

- Take the lead in identifying, developing and growing credible agricultural projects capable of utilizing bank services for efficient agro projects.
- Enable the bank to extend banking services to agricultural sector players and use the opportunities to grow customers from the sector and grow the bank's balance sheet and revenue generation from the sector.
- Conduct a comprehensive financial analysis and evaluation of various agricultural projects and recommend to the Management for funding as well as devising appropriate terms and conditions for offering various products and services to the sector.

Work closely with Bank Management to develop a funding systems approach to support the agriculture and its value chains to be supported by the bank and other appropriate partners and engage them for optimal allocation of resources aimed at growing business of all related parties.

- Define short term, medium and longterm strategy for the bank to finance the agriculture sector taking into account interests of various stakeholders including optimizing risks and other engagement options.
- To provide active agricultural sector portfolio management and advisory services for the bank.
- To initiate and devise appropriate policy, procedures and processes necessary for guiding agriculture sector funding, credit accommodation as well as business development within the bank.
- Create, utilize and maintain strategical business collaborations, alliances, synergies and arrangements between bank stakeholders aimed at boosting and maintaining business growth between the parties.
- Initiate and recommend relevant improvements in the agri-business enterprises that would enable the bank realize better returns on their investments.
- Initiate and create publicity and awareness programs on agribusiness available at the bank and engage various stakeholders aimed at raising consumption levels of accompanying bank products and services.
- Perform any other duties as assigned by Management from time to time.

2.3 Qualification, Experience and Competences

- Degree in Agricultural economics, Agriculture, Agribusiness and any other related field of study.
- Master's degree in Agricultural economics, Agribusiness provides an added advantage.

3. FUND MOBILISATION AND SYNDICATION OFFICER

3.1 Scope of responsibilities

This post requires one to be able to raise and mobilize funds from appropriate sources for financing various bankable projects including the industrial, agriculture and their associated value chains. Should also be able to identify and initiate possible syndication arrangements aimed at effectively funding all creditworthy projects requiring bank participation.

The objective is to have adequate, reasonably priced financial resources to fund all bankable projects through well thought and evaluated funding sources capable of maintaining bank profitability and growth of quality assets.

3.2 Duties and responsibilities

 Take the lead in identifying, analyzing and evaluating potential funding sources and opportunities to be available for the bank to utilize in funding various creditworthy projects including syndication arrangements as applied by existing and potential customers of the bank as well as devising appropriate terms and conditions for the facilities.

- To leverage funds by acting as an arranger, identifying investments, structuring deals and negotiating loan documents with borrowers in coordination with other financiers.
- To coordinate processing of agreements in connection with funding opportunities and ensure effective and timely follow up to the related parties.
- To create publicity and awareness programs on fund mobilization and provide active portfolio management and advisory services for the bank.
- To initiate and devise appropriate policies and procedures for fund mobilization and ensure their compliance by practicing members of staff.
- To initiate and devise appropriate policy, procedures and processes necessary for guiding funds mobilization and syndication arrangements within the bank.
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- Perform any other duties as assigned by Management from time to time.

3.3 Qualification, Experience and Competences

- Degree in Finance, Banking, Economics, Business Administration, Accounting and any other related field.
- Master's Degree will provide additional advantage

4. INDUSTRIAL FACILITATION OFFICER

4.1 Scope of responsibilities

The position holder will lead in development of commercial opportunities and initiate, coordinate and oversee the bank's industrial facilitation and financing window functions are effectively carried out and advise the bank management accordingly. The objective is to grow and increase the number of bankable industrial projects and their associated value chain that the bank can venture into facilitation and financing.

The position should bring to the bank the required efficiency and coordination in identifying, recruitment and maintenance of quality industrial projects in a bid to grow the bank's balance sheet and the related sources of income.

4.2 Duties and responsibilities

- To solicit, identify, locate and propose potential industrial projects and their value chains and analyze their financing and operational requirements. Should also evaluate possible financing options and mechanisms and recommend appropriate equity investments and bring them on board so as to establish and maintain their relationship as customers to consume bank products and services.
- Performs evaluation of industrial projects business and strategic plans, related business and operational plans and ensures their translation into bank business opportunities for revenue generation.
- Champions discussions for industrial projects deals by coordinating requirements; developing and negotiating contracts; integrating contract requirements with bank business operations and financing options.
- To work closely with other bank units, departments and branches to maximize growth of balance sheet as well as revenue lines from industrial projects and associated value chains.
- To initiate appropriate policies & procedures for industrial facilitation in the bank and comply with bank policies and procedures for industrial projects financing and related business development.
- To initiate and devise appropriate policy, procedures and processes necessary for guiding industrial facilitation and financing activities within the bank.
- Initiate and create publicity and awareness programs on Industrial Facilitation and Financing options available at the bank and engage various stakeholders

aimed at raising consumption levels of accompanying bank products and services.

 Perform any other duties as assigned by Management from time to time.

4.3 Qualification, Experience and Competences

- Degree in Economics, Finance with exposure and training in project planning and management plus any other related field of study.
- Masters in Economics will be an added advantage.

5. TRADE FINANCE OFFICERS (2)

5.1 Scope of Responsibilities

The job holder will report to the Manager, Trade Finance and will be responsible for business growth through sales of trade finance solutions to clients including Government, Corporate, Institutions, and other business segments in the areas of trade structured solutions.

5.2 Duties and Responsibilities

- To organize and deliver client marketing and sales programs for trade finance offerings to existing and new clients.
- Participate in the creation and implementation of and strategy for the growth of business under the finance arm.
- Participate in Packaging/structuring of new trade product programs to meet specific client's product requirements
- · Proactively come up with new ideas on products and
- services improvement, innovations and cost reduction.
 Analyze and report trade finance performance and profitability through periodic reports.
- Review and provide feedback into client's satisfaction surveys, responding to customer complaints.
- Liaise with Operations and other stakeholders, regularly reviewing all operational standards for product deliverables for maximization of efficiency.
- Perform any other duties assigned by the Management.

5.3 Qualification, Experience and Competences

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent in Banking, Finance, Business Administrations, Marketing, Economics or other relevant field.
- Relevant experience in the fields of trade finance, sales, marketing. Direct experience in dealing with trade finance will be an added advantage.

Remuneration

Attractive remuneration packages await successful candidates to the above post as per Azania Bank Limited Salaries and Incentive Schemes as reviewed from time to time

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Ministers hail TradeMark EA for supporting improvement of business environment

By Guardian Reporter

TWO cabinet ministers have commended TradeMark East Africa for supporting government efforts to encourage trade both domestically and in the East African region.

Industry Trade and Investment Minister, Joseph Kakunda and Minister of State President's Office for Central Establishment, George Mkuchika said on Monday during a TMEA sensitization seminar for lawmakers, that the trade supporting agency has assisted to remove non tariff barriers.

"The government of President John Pombe Magufuli is committed towards improving the business environment hence recognises the role which TradeMark East Africa has played in supporting such an endeavour," Kakunda said.

He pointed out that among other things, TMEA has assisted to remove numerous road blocks which delayed shipment of cargo from Dar es Salaam port to landlocked countries but also improvement of infrastructure to support both domestic and regional

government appreciates TradeMark's role in financing improvement of infrastructure that improves trade but also digitization of the trading system which improves Industry and Trade Minister added.

Seconding his peer, Mkuchika praised TradeMark for organizing the seminar for legislators so that they get an understanding of the situation on sary changes to address such shortthe ground in as much as domestic falls," Mkuchika pointed out. and regional trade are concerned.

"Through your presentations, law- ment climate will make the country a



efficiency through competition," the makers have become aware of the competitive destination for investnon tariff barriers, policies and laws which frustrate the smooth conducting of trade in the country hence in a better position to undertake neces-

He said a better business and invest-

ment hence boosting growth and government revenue.

TMEA Country Director for Tanzania, John Ulanga told legislators that the country is well positioned to benefit from regional trade and investment opportunities because it is bordering six landlocked countries.

"Because of its position, Tanzania is been working with governments in ideally located to become a regional trade hub in East Africa," Ulanga said while urging lawmakers to undertake necessary policy and legal reforms to ensure that such potential is unleashed. He said as an aid-for-trade Drug Authority, Tanzania Ports Au-

the region to address obstacles hindering rapid growth of regional trade.

The seminar was also attended by representatives from Tanzania Revenue Authority, Tanzania Food and donor funded regional body with its thority and relevant government minheadquarters in Nairobi, TMEA has istries and departments.

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Economic growth across East Africa will remain robust at 5.9 percent in 2019, higher than the continental average annual growth rate of 4 per cent and making it a promising investment and manufacturing destination, according to the 2019 East African Economic

The report puts Ethiopia in the lead as the fastest growing economy in the region per cent followed by Rwanda next at 7.8 per cent; Others are Tanzania at 6.6 per cent; Kenya 6 per cent, Djibouti 5.9 per cent and Uganda 5.3 per cent.

Overall, most of the economies in East Africa are expected to continue on higher growth trajectories, with an expected average annual economic growth of 6.1% in 2020. This will be driven by the high investment rate, robust private consumption from the demand side; and agriculture recovery, and expansion of industry and services from the supply side, the report noted.

Dr. Abraham Mwenda, Lead Economist at the Bank's East Africa Regional Office noted the presence of small island states such as the Bank's East Africa Regional Develop- with an average annual growth rate of 8.2 that despite rising debt levels across the Comoros and Seychelles also offer opportucontinent, there is no systemic risk of debt nities for integration. This is consistent with

> He also noted that even though many African countries are recording robust growth rates, the growth is still insufficient to address the employment challenge across the continent.

> On regional integration, the regional report noted that there are numerous opportunities for fostering monetary unions. cross-border transportation, and regulatory bonds to increase the ease of movement of

goods, services and people.

The region's 5 landlocked countries and the key findings of the Continental Economic Outlook Report.

In fact, the continental report emphasizes that regional integration is imperative for African economies because it increases market size and boosts trade among members by removing trade barriers, helps to exploit economies of scale, enhances competition and increases cross-border investments, and at a deeper level, fosters peace and security.

WARNING

WTO at risk of collapsing as US scuttles judge appointments, Saxo Bank CIO says

COPENHAGEN

THE World Trade Organization could fall apart at the next G20 meeting in Japan as the US continues to deny ratifying WTO judges, rendering the global body ineffective and negatively impacting the global economy, according to Denmark's Saxo Bank.

"You are going to have very clear signs when [the] G20 in Japan happens," said Steen Jakobsen chief investment officer of Saxo Bank. "If you look at the US in terms of its multilateral agreement, they are in disagreement about everything ... there's the risk that WTO breaks down during the negotiations in Tokyo."

The WTO is the only global international body dealing with the rules of trade between nations. At its heart are the agreements, negotiated and signed by the bulk of the world's trading nations and ratified by their parliaments. The body is responsible for settling the global trade disputes via its appellate system.

That system is under threat as the US, the world's biggest economy, has refused to ratify appointments of judges whose terms have ended, ever since Donald Trump took control of the White House. Trump has campaigned against the WTO, saying

threatening to withdraw Washington from it. The US is now facing a number of disputes at the WTO against Trump's trade policies, which include global levies on steel and a tariff war with China, the world's second largest economy.

The US refused to endorse the reappointment of a judge in September 2018, which brought the number of judges down to three - the minimum required for the system to work. The judicial system could collapse if a judge steps down or recuses themselves for legal reasons.

The G20 ministerial meeting on trade and digital economy is scheduled to be held in Tokyo on June 8-9, which will also discuss issues related to the WTO and its effectiveness.

If the WTO fails and loses its ability to settle trade disputes, it will adversely impact global trade, which has already slowed even before Mr Trump started a trade war with the US's North American, European and Asian partners, Jakobsen, who is also the chief economist of the bank, not-

World trade shrank by 0.3 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2018 and is likely to grow by 2.6 per cent this year, slower than 3 per cent growth in 2018

it was "unfair' towards the US and and below a previous forecast of 3.7 per cent, the WTO said last month.

> Earlier this month, the International Monetary Fund revised its global growth forecasts for this year for the third time in six months due to a slowing Chinese economy and persistent trade tensions between China and the US. The global economy is projected to decelerate to 3.3 per cent in 2019, down from the 3.5 per cent the IMF had forecast for 2019 in January.

> "I don't see why they [the US] want to do it [damage WTO] but they clearly want to. If that happens, everyone would have to go back to bilateral trade agreements, which is exactly what the US is trying to pursue," Jakobsen said. "I don't think the US administration realises how complicated it is to unwind all of the multilateral pacts."

> The chances of the WTO's failure are further stoked by increasing frustration of Chinese policy makers over the ongoing trade war, he said.

"From my Chinese sources, from the people who are at the table, it is very likely.

They are boycotting the whole process because no ruling can be made as there are no judges to take the cases," Jakobsen said. "So the process has



Steen Jacobsen, Saxo Bank's chief economist and CIO, says the WTO's days might be numbered.

already stopped and that fact means that the world is already in a defacto [phase of] close down of the WTO."

Saxo, in which Chinese car maker Geely built a majority stake for about \$800 million, is unfazed by the gloom of politics and is on the lookout for acquisitions. The bank which earns most of its revenues from online trading platforms, acquired Netherlandsbased BinkBank which gave it about about 5 per cent to 8 per cent of its as-70,000 clients.

"We have been growing dramatically," he said. "We are in an expansion mode and we have seen double digit growth in client numbers, he said.

Saxo's global portfolio of business has expanded by about 8 per cent to 10 per cent, while its Middle East and North African portfolio accounts for

sets and returns.

"We would love to double our impact in the region," Jakobsen said. "There is a deepening of the bond market and opening of [equity] mar-

If there's ever a time for us to be aggressive in terms of strategy to grow the number of clients, it is now.'

BUSINESS NEWS

PROGRESS

Walkabout Resources, Wogen Pacific in deal for Lindi graphite purchase

By Guardian Reporter

BETWEEN 10 and 30,000 metric tons of graphite concentrate from Lindi region has secured a global market through Wogen Pacific Limited after the company signed an agreement with Walkabout Resources Limited.

In a statement, Walkabout which is the parent company of Lindi Jumbo Limited said the binding global sales, purchase and marketing agreement between its 100 percent owned subsidiary, Lindi Jumbo Limited and international commodities trading house, Wogen Pacific Limited will last five years.

Wogen is a leading international to establish large and expensive ing the deal saying his company is

er of off-exchange speciality-metals and minerals with a particularly strong presence in Asia, Europe and the USA which includes significant logistics infrastructure, buying networks and industry relationships.

Within the agreement, an advanced payment based on 80 percent of the value for each consignment of concentrate contracted by Wogen, will be paid following receipt of shipping documents.

"The Wogen agreement perfectly complements the company's strategy to outsource the major components of the Lindi Jumbo Project. As a result, Lindi Jumbo will not need

jurisdictions to manage its sales, customer relations and global logistics," said Executive Chairman, Trevor Benson.

"The company will be able to leverage the marketing expertise of Wogen across the globe for sales at favourable prices, and to secure additional off-take agreements. The agreement is a key element in derisking the Lindi Jumbo Graphite Project and attracting development capital leading up to construction and the first period of production," Benson added.

His Wigon peer, Alex Williams was also full of excitement follow-

trader and long-established market- marketing offices across several happy to play a significant role in Walkabout's Lindi Jumbo graphite project promising to deploy extensive capabilities on the pre-marketing, sales, financing and transactional side of this business.

> "We have been highly impressed by the Walkabout management team over the course of the many interactions we have had with them to date, which bodes well for a successful and mutually beneficial working relationship over the coming years," Williams noted.

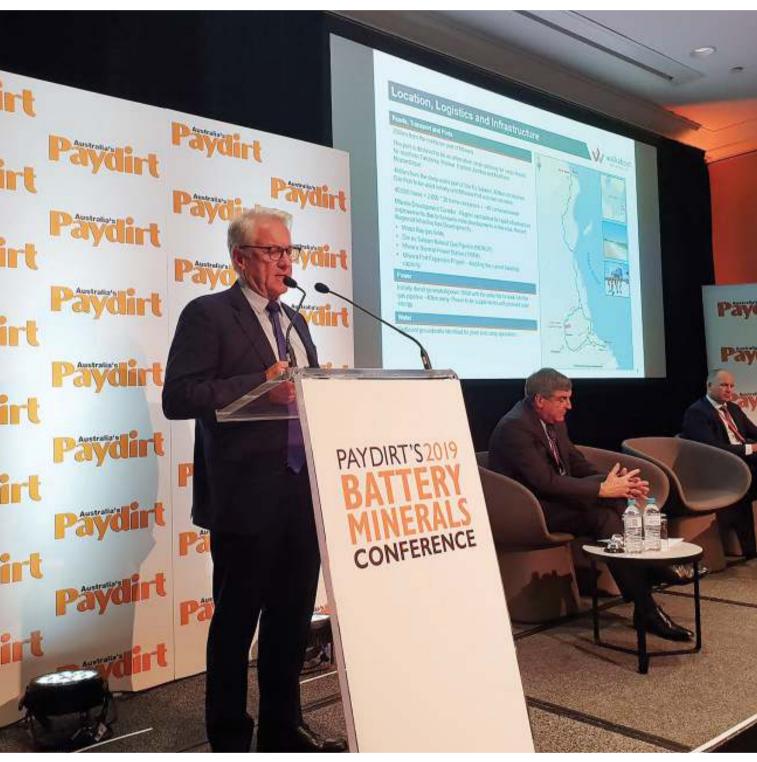
"As such we have agreed to exclusively source graphite from Walkabout. This agreement further strengthens our position as a leading international trading house for speciality metals, as well as giving us an increased presence in the modern battery sector," Williams added.

Pursuant to the agreement, Wogen will act as the marketer and buyer of the product and on-sell the concentrates on a commission basis to customers in Asia and other international markets as required.

Upon commencement of commercial production at the Lindi Jumbo Graphite Mine, the company shall make available to Wogen for purchase, on an exclusive basis, a minimum of 10,000 tonnes up to 30,000 tonnes of concentrate per annum for a period of 5 years.

Further to this agreement with Wogen, other terms include: within three working days of a consignment being loaded onto a shipping vessel in Tanzania and Wogen receiving the shipping documents, the company will immediately advance 80 percent of the deemed value of the consignment to Lindi Jumbo as working capital financing.

The remaining 20 percent less Wogen commission less agreed on-costs will be remitted to the company upon receipt of payment in full by Wogen, which currently is typically 2-3 weeks after shipment from Mtwara port. The maximum allowable aggregate of the working capital finance at any time is U\$8m.



Walkabout Resources' Executive Chairman Trevor Benson speaks at a past global conference.

BACKING

Hanekom on the suspension of tourism CEO: No such thing as bad timing for right governance

CAPE TOWN

THERE is no such thing as bad timing when it comes to the right governance, Minister of Tourism Derek Hanekom told Fin24 recently. He responded to a question on what he makes of the precautionary suspension of SA Tourism (SAT) CEO Sisa Ntshona, pending the outcome of an investigation by

Fin24 reported last week that, more than two weeks after Ntshona was abruptly suspended, the board has still not revealed any details on the allegations received from a whistle blower via its anonymous tip-offs reporting mechanism.

A statement issued by the board at the time said: "In order to conduct a free and fair investigation, [the board] has decided to place the CEO on precautionary suspension."

"This would allow the CEO to focus on responding to the allegations as well as guarantee the integrity and transparency of the process to be followed," said the statement.

In the interim, Sthembiso Dlamini has been appointed as the acting CEO. "The issue is: if it is found that he did nothing wrong, he must come back. If the board finds there is substance to the information it received, it must go on to the next step," Hanekom told Fin24 during a general interview on

his career. "I don't want to jump the gun. The main thing is for the SAT board to do its job." According to Hanekom, it is not true that people in the tourism industry are "angry" about the board's decision to suspend Ntshona.

"Some said it is a pity, but nobody told me they are angry about the board's decision and there is a competent acting CEO in charge in the meantime. People in the tourism sector understand that the SAT board must do proper oversight," said Hanekom. He has confidence in the SAT board and the way it is handling the matter since receiving



South Africa's Minister of Tourism Derek Hanekom.

a letter from a whistle-blower, he said. "I want the SAT board to deal with it and stick to the governance process. I met with the board and they agree that there is no perfect timing for an action if there might be justification for it," said Hanekom.

"When information which looks serious comes in front of you as a board, it is its obligation to act. It cannot say it must wait until after the upcoming Africa Travel Indaba, for instance." Ntshona told Fin24 shortly after his suspension that he had not been informed by the board of what the allegations were, so as to "protect the whistle-blower's iden-

More than two weeks later, he indicated that nothing has changed since then. Tourism industry leaders Fin24 surveyed at the time indicated they were "shocked" by the sudden suspension of Nt-

MARKETING

SMEs to make use of car-free zone to promote locally made products

KIGALI

A GROUP of over 60 young entrepreneurs with Small and Medium Enterprises producing Madein-Rwanda products have gathered their ideas and resources to make use of Kigali's car-free zone to showcase their products and services. Kigali's Car-free zone was introduced in 2015.

Kigali City Mayor, Marie Chantal Rwakazina, told The New Times that there are planned infrastructure development to make it effective for various purposes and that the city will invite the private sector to develop it for various business operations.

John Migambi, the Manager of Bronze Events Ltd that is involved in the coordination of the young entrepreneurs to promote locally made products told Business Times that the Made-in-Rwanda expo by the young entrepreneurs will place from 30th April to 03rd May this year.

Most of the young entrepreneurs are the graduates from high school and university who created jobs through making locally made products, he said. Among the products to be exhibited include furniture, decorations, garments, shoes



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and beverages among others.

"The expo will feature more than 60 young exhibitors with locally made products from different corners of the country. The Ministry of Trade, Private Sector Federation, the City of Kigali and other partners gave us different ideas on how to do it and allowed us to make use of the car-free zone," he said. He said that the target is that the ex-

hibition will be taking place every month in the car-free zone.

"We hope that when the young entrepreneurs meet, they will also share experiences so that the quality of Made-in-Rwanda products can be improved over time. This will also improve the competition and reduce prices," he said.

Migambi said that that more exhibitions will make easier to promote local consumption of locally made products. "We will also identify other places in all parts of the country that can be exhibition points so that many Rwandans access the products," he said.

Yulia Nikuze from Southern province who will be exhibiting baskets said that the Made in Rwanda Expo will improve her products' visibility on the market.

"During the exhibition like this, we hope to meet different consumers including the foreign ones who will become our long terms clients," she said. She said that she sells baskets worth between Rwf300,000 and Rwf500,000 during such exhibition.

Narcisse Tuyizere is a young man who runs Hobe Handcrafts Company that produces decorations and garments.

He said the exhibition opportunities create market opportunities for his venture. "Different exhibitions help us to access different markets. I expect to meet new clients from the forthcoming expo. During such period one can sell products worth over Rwf500, 000," he said.

The 3rd resolution of the 16th edition of the National Leadership Retreat resolutions held in March this year recommended to examine and put in place measures aimed at addressing challenges that impede the implementation

of Made in Rwanda Policy. The fourth resolution also called for focus on competitiveness of locally produced products including the issue of taxes and fees especially those in the agricultural value

REBUILDING

Rehabilitation of SMEs: Gapi and FAN create post-Idai special fund

MAPUTO

THE creation and implementation of a "post-Idai Special Fund for the Rehabilitation of Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and the relaunch of the small-scale private sector" is the first joint action between the Foundation for the Improvement of the Business Environment (FAN) and Gapi-Sociedade de Investimentos (Gapi-SI), within the framework of a partnership between the two institutions signed on 28 March. Gapi-SI has so far mobilised around 52 million meticais to fund the initiative.

Under this partnership, "both institutions have decided to join forces and raise additional resources so that, in coordination with public authorities mandated to lead the post-cyclone reconstruction programme, a more comprehensive and effective contribution will be made to relaunching the social and economic life of the Central Region of Mozambique."

The FAN-Gapi partnership, recently signed by Leonardo Simão and Luís Sitoe, the presidents of the respective boards of directors, provides for the two institutions to operate in a coordinated manner throughout the country through the joint design and implementation of specific projects.

The projects to be supported will contribute to the expansion and consolidation of the role of the private sector, with a particular focus on small and medium-sized enter-

prises, generating sustainable jobs and improving incomes. The fund will provide low-interest credit and technical assistance to help companies recover from the losses they have suffered, and encourage small business to revive economic activity in the central region of the country.

"FAN is highly motivated towards participating in this collective effort to normalise the life of the Mozambican business community in the areas affected by Cyclone Idai," Leonardo Simão said.

EXPENSIVE

Oil extends rally as US ends waivers allowing Iranian imports

LONDON

OIL extended gains after leaping to a six-month high on Monday as the US said it'll no longer give any buyer of Iranian crude a waiver from sanctions aimed at cutting the OPEC producer's exports to zero.

Futures in London added as much as 0.6%, a day after US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said any nation that continues to buy Iranian oil will face American sanctions. In response, the Islamic Republic threatened to shut the Strait of Hormuz, a key waterway for Middle East crude. Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia said it will coordinate with other producers to ensure that adequate supplies are available.

Brent crude has rallied around 38% this year as OPEC and its partners embarked on a mission to cut output and avert a global glut, while disruptions in Venezuela, Nigeria and Libya have further squeezed supplies. The White House's decision to end exemptions for purchasing oil from the group's fourth-largest producer supports the bull case for oil, with RBC Capital Markets forecasting a loss of 700 000 to 800 000 barrels a day of Iranian exports.

"Oil quickly repriced higher on fears that markets could face an immediate supply crunch, adding more pressure to the already tenuous global supply squeeze," said Stephen Innes, head of trading and market strategy at SPI Asset Management. "This suggests that \$80 Brent under current mar-

ket conditions - something we thought unlikely only days ago - should now be considered a possibility."

Brent for June settlement climbed as much as 46 cents to \$74.50 a barrel on the London-based ICE Futures Europe exchange, and was at \$74.29 a barrel at 12:34 in Singapore. It rose \$2.07 on Monday to \$74.04, the highest close since October 31. The global benchmark crude was at a premium of \$8.43 to US West Texas Intermediate.

'Appropriate supply

WTI for June delivery rose as much as 40 cents to \$65.95 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange before trading at \$65.85 a barrel. The May contract expired on Monday at a six-month

Pompeo said he's confident that the oil market will remain stable and that Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and the US will ensure an "appropriate supply" of oil. The White House granted six-month exemptions to eight buyers last year, allowing them to pur-



Alireza Tangsiri, head of Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps.

chase limited amounts of Iranian oil. It won't renew the waivers when they expire on May 2. Saudi Energy Minister Khalid Al-Falih said the kingdom and other suppliers will ensure the market doesn't get out of balance. The biggest member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and the UAE can boost their combined output by about 1.5 million barrels per day within a short period, according to people who asked not to be identified as the information is private.

Meanwhile, a senior Iranian military official said the Islamic Republic will shut the Strait of Hormuz, a narrow waterway carrying a fifth of the world's traded oil, if it's prevented from using it, the state-run Fars news agency reported.

"In the event of any threats, we will not have the slightest hesitation to protect and defend Iran's waterway," the agency reported, citing Alireza Tangsiri, head of the Revolutionary Guard Corps navy force.

POSTPONEMENT

Samsung to postpone launch of Galaxy Fold after screen failures

SEOUL

SAMSUNG will delay the launch of its first foldable smartphone from the planned April 26 debut after reports of screen failures among some review units, a setback for the world's biggest handset maker.

The Suwon, South Korea-based company said it would postpone the retail launch of the Galaxy Fold, without giving a new debut date. Several publications, including Bloomberg, had reported a bevy of problems with test versions of the \$1,980 device after only days of use.

Samsung had said it would thoroughly investigate the issue, while inishared with us the vast potential they see, some also showed us how the device needs further improvements that could ensure the best possible user experience," Samsung said in a statement.

"To fully evaluate this feedback and run further internal tests, we have decided to delay the release of the Galaxy Fold. We plan to announce the release date in the coming weeks."

Samsung aims to avert a fiasco like the Note 7 introduction in 2016, when smartphones that had already found their way into consumers' hands showed a tendency to burst into flames.

The episode, which triggered a global recall, cost the company billions of dollars in losses and damaged Apple Inc. in the premium able phones to the masses.

devices market. Pulling the Fold now allows the Korean giant to address any potential issues as it races to put out a flexible gadget ahead of rival Huawei. "Samsung Electronics

still has at least one month to address Galaxy Fold issues and claim the lead in mass-producing foldable phones. Huawei likely won't start shipping Mate X, its foldable model, until June," Anthea Lai and Anand Srinivasan, analysts with Bloomberg Intelligence, wrote in a note yes-

"Such a delay could save the brand's reputation from a repeat of the Note 7 debacle in 2016."

Samsung has rebounded since then and was counttially indicating it would ing on the Galaxy Fold to stick with the planned date. extend its smartphone "While many reviewers dominance while fending off emerging Chinese rivals such as Huawei.

The foldable device, unveiled along with the flagship Galaxy S10 model earlier this year, has a 7.3-inch screen that unfolds into a tablet. Pre-orders began in mid April.

The delay is unlikely to have a significant financial impact on the company. Samsung, which spent eight years developing the Galaxy Fold, forecast it would produce at least 1 million units this year, a fraction of its overall shipments. Samsung shares were little changed in Seoul trading yesterday.

Huawei and Xiaomi have also developed their own versions of bendable-screen gadgets and Samsung was pushing to its reputation as it battled be the first to roll out fold-



Galaxy Fold with a cracked screen

MONDAY - FRIDAY STARTING 7:30 PM

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- 6:40 Kumekucha HABARI
- Kumekucha Michezo
- 9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo 9:30 Isidingo
- Movie: DNA prt 1&2
- 12:00 Al Jazeera 12:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt: Tanesco
- 12:55 Habari za saa
- 13:00 Jagina rpt 13:30 Chetu ni chetu rpt
- 13:55 Habari za saa 14:00 Telenovela rpt: Destiny (Destino)
- 14:55 Habari za saa
- 15:00 Movie: Bahasha
- 16:30 Watoto wetu 17:00 The Base
- 17:30 Ibada ya kiislamu
- 18:00 Jiji Letu 18:15 Igizo: Mizengwe
- 18:30 Shamba lulu
- 19:00 Uchumi na biashara
- 19:30 Isidingo
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- 23:30 The Base
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- HABARI
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- 7:00 Habari
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- 10:00 Mjue Zaidi rpt
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- 18:30 Igizo: Elininyo
- 19:00 Sanaa na wasanii 19:30 Jungu Kuu
- 20:00 Habari
- 21:00 Igizo: Kimya Milele
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- 11:50 Hawavumi lakini wamo
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- 14:00 Tamasha la Michezo
- 15:00 Mwangaza 16:00 Korean drama: The great
- aueen Seonduk
- 16:45 Mjue zaidi 17:30 Kipindi cha kikristo
- 18:00 Jiji Letu
- 18:15 Mapishi
- 18:30 Mizengwe rpt
- 18:45 Matukio ya wiki
- 19:30 Igizo: Mtego
- 20:00 Habari
- 21:05 Mizengwe
 - 21:00 Bongo Movie: It wasn't me
 - 22:00 Telenovela rpt: Destiny (Des-

MONDAY 22 April

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- 6:40 Kumekucha
- 7:30 HABARI 8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
- 8:55 Movie: Deception 12:00 Al Jazeera
- 12:30 Jungu kuu rpt 13:00 Mjue Zaidi
- 14:00 Telenovela: Destiny (Des-
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- 16:30 Watoto Wetu
- 17:00 The Base 18:00 Jiji Letu
- 18:10 Aibu yako rpt
- 18:15 Mapishi rpt 18:30 Kesho Leo
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- 20:00 Habari 21:05 Dakika 45
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- 23:30 The Base
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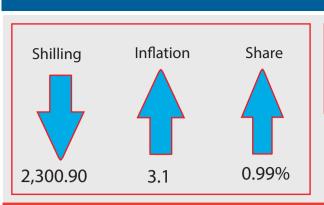
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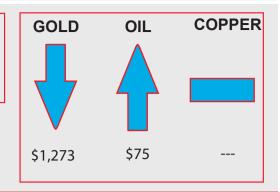
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Total Market Capitalization

AVERAGE PRICES FOR FOOD CROPS TSH/100KG				
Maize	53640.00	Finger Millet	144052.63	
Rice	183125.00	Wheat	129866.67	
Sorghum	80476.19	Beans	175416.67	
Bulrush Millet	84066.67	Round potatoes	71458.33	

	Exchange	Rates (DSE)	
	Currency	Buying	Selling
	EUR	2,578.38	2,605.09
	USD	2,278.12	2,300.91
	KES	22.57	22.75
	GBP	2,986.62	3,017.64
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Dar es	Salaam	Stock	Exchange
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Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange				
Date: April 18 Company	8, 2019 Closing	Prev	Chg (%)	
TOL	660.00	660.00	0	
TICL	385	385.00	0	
TCCL	600	600	0	
TCC	17,000	17,000	0	
TBL	11,400.00	11,400.00	0	
SWIS	1,700.00	1,700.00	0	
SWALA	490.00	490.00	0	
PAL	400.00	400.00	0	
NMG	1,400.00	1,400.00	0	
NMB	2,340.00	2,340.00	0	
NICO	170.00	170.00	0	
MUCOB	400.00	400.00	0	
MKCB	800.00	800.00	0	
MCB	500.00	500.00	0	
MBP	490.00	490.00	0	
KCB	1,020.00	1,020.00	0	
KA	115.00	120.00	-4.17	
JHL	9,150.00	9,100.00	0.55	
EABL	4,800.00	4,660.00	3	
DSE	1,300	1,300.00	0	
DCB	340.00	340.00	0	
CRDB	125	125.00	0	
ACA	4,950.00	6,000.00	-17.5	
TPCC	2,100.00	2,100.00	0	
TTP	120.00	120.00	0	
USL	10.00	10.00	0	
VODA	800.00	800.00	0	
YETU	600.00	600.00	0	

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TZS 19,588	3.30 bln (USD 8,	555.65 mln)
Indices April	18, 2019	
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NICO	170.00	170.00	0
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VODA	800.00	800.00	0
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DSE MARKET SUMMARY

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	o (bln) nover 272,	19,588.33
Total Volum		79,354
Total Deals		15
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TOP MOV	ERS	
CRDB	125	53,605
TBL	11,400	-,-
DSE	1,300	400
GAINERS	& LOSERS	3
Company	Price	Change
ACA		-8.04%
NMB		-15.38%
EABL		-2.46%
NMG	1,500	+7.14%

Interbank Foreign Exchange Market (IFEM)

Date	Amount Traded (Mn USD)	High	Low	Weighted Average
18/Apr/2019	11.55	2,308.00	2,292.00	2,300.90
17/Apr/2019	2.20	2,308.00	2,298.45	2,300.94
16/Apr/2019	2.10	2,308.00	2,298.40	2,300.84
15/Apr/2019	1.70	2,316.00	2,298.40	2,300.93
11/Apr/2019	1.50	2,309.00	2,298.45	2,300.94
10/Apr/2019	1.65	2,310.00	2,298.50	2,300.96
9/Apr/2019	1.30	2,310.00	2,298.40	2,300.92
Inter-bank	Local Mone	ey Markets		
Date (r	Volume million-TZS)	High	Low	Weighted Average Rate (WAR)
18/Apr/2019	43,000	6.00	5.00	5.45
17/Apr/2019	41,200	5.50	5.00	5.29
16/Apr/2019	53,550	5.50	4.90	5.24

Tanzania Shilling On Average bases

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The USDTZS traded at 2,310.0000 on Monday April 15. Historically, the Tanzania Shilling reached an all time high of 2360 in March of 2019 and a record low of 1014.30 in December of 2004.

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Gold holds near 4-month lows on firm dollar, risk sentiment

* Gold down more than 5 pct from Feb highs * Platinum off 2-week highs hit in the previous session

LONDON, April 23. (Reuters) - Gold prices inched back towards last week's fourmonth low on Tuesday as a firmer dollar and ongoing preference for riskier assets took the sheen off the metal traditionally seen as a safe-haven.

Spot gold was 0.14 percent lower at \$1,272.89 per ounce by 1014 GMT. U.S. gold futures trimmed 0.2 percent to \$1,274.70 an ounce.

"Growth worries that had weighed on risk sentiment and supported gold have largely faded," Julius Baer analyst Carsten Menke said, adding sentiment in financial markets was positive.

"That's why the positioning on gold is also turning towards the negative side and we have not seen any inflows in exchange traded gold products.

Data from the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, showed speculators switched to a net short position in COMEX gold in the week to April 16.

Markets are looking to the release of the U.S. GDP data later in the week for indications about the strength of the world's largest economy.

Better-than-expected economic readings from both the U.S. and China lately have assuaged investor concerns of a sharp global economic slowdown, although weak manufacturing surveys from Asia and Europe have kept a lid on sentiment.

Stronger equities this year have also dented gold's appeal, with the metal now more than 5 percent below its 2019 peak touched in February.

Analysts and traders said gold's break below key support levels last week, including the 100- and 50-day moving averages, signalled further downside for prices.

"Gold looks vulnerable to a further extension lower through\$1,270, opening a test toward the 200-day moving average at\$1,251," MKS PAMP Group said in a

In other metals, silver was steady at \$14.97 per ounce. Platinum fell 0.8 percent to \$888.70 per ounce having hit a two-week high of \$911.75 in the previous

Palladium was 0.8 percent lower at \$1,374.77 per ounce, after falling as much as 3.5 percent in the previous session.

All Share Index : 23 April 2019

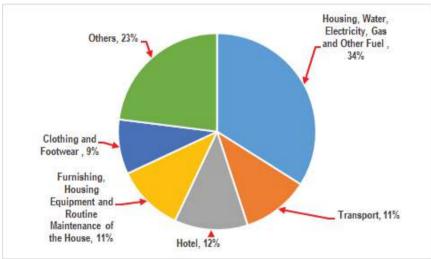
All Share index	: 23 A	prii 2019				
Africa	Actual	Change	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
NSE-All Share	30,086	115.45	0.39%	2.52%	-3.20%	-26.26%
FTSE/JSE TOP 40	52,956	82.75	0.16%	0.69%	7.72%	4.10%
JALSH-All Share	59,316	93.81	0.16%	1.94%	4.34%	2.85%
Egypt EGX 30	14,773	27.80	-0.19%	-1.87%	-0.45%	-18.48%
Casablanca CFG 25	11,149	0.00	0.00%	0.76%	1.09%	-14.00%
NSE All Share	158	0.49	-0.31%	0.00%	-0.40%	-13.82%
Nairobi 20	2,870	24.73	-0.85%	-1.67%	-0.77%	-23.01%
DSEI	2,002	20.89	1.05%	-3.61%	-2.87%	-17.87%
TUN	6,960	15.24	0.22%	0.18%	0.16%	-2.58%
GGSECI	2,358	8.28	-0.35%	-0.80%	-2.58%	-31.38%
Gaborone	7,864	0.00	0.00%	-0.01%	-0.18%	-6.94%
SEMDEX	2,153	3.27	-0.15%	-0.64%	-0.82%	-5.16%
NSX Overall	1,409	0.27	-0.02%	2.12%	6.13%	0.44%
Zimbabwe Index	421	1.06	0.25%	1.42%	-1.74%	33.02%

The DSEI decreased 52 points or 2.55% since the beginning of 2019, according to trading on a contract for difference (CFD) that tracks this benchmark index from Tanzania. Historically, the Tanzania All Share Index DSEI reached an all time high of 3686.97 in January of 2019 and a record low of 1161.30 in December of 2010.

Inflation 3.1% - March 2019: Top Movers

15/Apr/2019

11/Apr/2019



Fluctuation of a Shilling



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Oil hits highest since November as U.S. to tighten Iran sanctions

LONDON, April 23. (Reuters) - Oil prices hit their highest since November on Tuesday after Washington announced all waivers on imports of sanctions-hit Iranian oil would end next week, pressuring importers to stop buying from Tehran and further tightening global supply.

Despite the move, spare capacity from other suppliers such as Saudi Arabia might be able to ensure oil markets cope with a cut in Iranian exports.

Brent crude futures were at \$74.67 per barrel at 0855 GMT, up 63 cents or 0.85 percent from their last close, after hitting their highest level since November at \$74.70.

their strongest since October 2018 at \$66.14 per barrel, up 59 cents or 0.9 percent from their previous set-

U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures marked

The United States on Monday demanded that buyers of Iranian oil stop purchases by May 1 or face sanctions, ending six months of waivers which allowed Iran's eight biggest buyers, most of them in Asia, to continue importing limited volumes.

Before the reimposition of sanctions last year, Iran was the fourth-largest producer among the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries at around 3 million barrels per day (bpd), but April exports have shrunk to below 1 million bpd, according to tanker data and industry sources.

U.S. President Donald Trump is confident that Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates will fulfill their pledges to make up the difference in oil markets, a U.S. official told reporters.

Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih said on Monday that his country would "coordinate with fellow oil producers to ensure adequate supplies are available to consumers while ensuring the global oil market does not go out of balance".

Saudi Arabia is the world's top oil exporter and de facto leader of OPEC, which has led global supply cuts since the start of the year aimed at propping up crude

The group is set to meet in June to discuss output policy.

Barclays bank said in a note that the U.S. decision took many market participants by surprise and would "lead to a significant tightening of oil markets". The move to increase pressure on Iran came amid

other sanctions Washington has placed on Venezue-U.S. bank Goldman Sachs said an expected decline

of 900,000 bpd in Iranian exports stood "versus immediately available and demonstrated spare capacity of 2.0 million bpd, which is set to grow further later

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Dodoma Geita	2,206 2.312	2,250 2,357	2,155 2.262	GBPUSD	1.29946	0.00136	0.10%
Iringa	2,211	2,256	2,161	AUDUSD	0.71153	0.00207	-0.29%
Kagera (Bukoba) Katavi (Mpanda)	2,363 2,355	2,407 2,400	2,312 2,304	NZDUSD	0.66636	0.00184	-0.28%
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l	Mara (Musoma)	2,326	2,370	2,275	USDCHF	1.01863	0.00323	0.32%
l	Mbeya	2,254	2,299	2,204				
l	Morogoro	2,172	2,217	2,121	USDCAD	1.33632	0.00182	0.14%
l	Mtwara	2,127	2,222	2,169	110011041	40.0070	0.0444	0.000/
l	Mwanza	2,297	2,342	2,247	USDMXN	18.8678	0.0414	0.22%
l	Njombe	2,239	2,284	2,189	USDINR	69.71	0.02	0.03%
l	Rukwa (Sumbawan	• , .	2,365	2,269	CODITIT	00.71	0.02	0.0070
l	Ruvuma (Songea)	2,213	2,308	2,220	USDBRL	3.9157	0.0103	-0.26%
l	Shinyanga	2,276	2,321	2,225				
l	Simiyu (Bariadi)	2,317	2,362	2,267	USDRUB	63.722	0.0982	-0.15%
l	Singida	2,238	2,282	2,187	US Dollar	97.32	0.0404	0.04%
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Exchange Rates for April 23, 2019

Currency in 100 UnitsSpot BuyingSpot Selling

EAST AFRICAN CURRI	ENCIES	
Kenya SHS	2,249.33	2,267.34
Uganda SHS	57.30	61.41
Rwandan Franc	251.52	254.47
Burundi Franc	218.12	219.76
OTHER SELECTED CU	RRENCIES	
USD	227.811.88	230.090.00

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World Commodities (\$) 5 April 2019

CROPS, PRICE PER 100KG APRIL 1, 2019

Energy	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Region	Maize		Rice		Sorghun	1	Bulrus	h Millet	Finge	r Millet	Wheat		Beans		Round p	otatoes	Saud Arabian	Rial		,749.83		1,352.43
							Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	Hiah	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Kuwait Dinar	_		,208.67		6,427.12
Crude Oil	62.0835	0.06%	3.27%	10.47%	0.07%	Arusha	50000	57000	160000	200000	38000	40000	40000	40000	70000	72000	85000	87000	100000	150000	65000	70000	Botswana Pul			,437.10		1,720.50
Brent	69.2927	-0.10%	1.32%	5.01%	3.25%			57000	100000	200000	30000	40000	40000		10000	12000	00000	07000	100000	100000			Chinese Yuan			,973.88		4,301.86
Natural gas	2.6412	-0.23%	-0.78%	-7.03%	-2.21%	D'Salaam	n 60000	70000	140000	210000	60000	60000	60000	60000	110000	140000	130000	130000	180000	220000	50000	80000	Malaysia Ring	_		,013.74	58	5,510.25
Gasoline Heating oil	1.9297 2.0091	-0.38% -0.14%	1.83% 1.83%	7.89% -0.33%	-1.25% 2.64%	Dodoma	50000	53000	155000	195000	31000	35000	32000	34000	65000	75000	160000	160000	150000	170000	55000	66000	South Korea V	√on		200.38		202.35
Ethanol	1.2931	-0.14%	-3.86%	-3.79%	-9.82%	Geita	48000	57000	125000	130000	100000	180000	175000	180000	NA	NA	165000	180000	120000	170000	65000	70000	Newzealand		152	,223.90	153	3,838.17
Naphtha	542.85	-0.25%	1.87%	3.46%	-5.01%						100000	100000		100000														
Propane	0.62	-0.74%	-7.11%	-9.46%	-16.69%	Iringa	35000	37000	160000	200000	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	130000	150000	57000	60000						
Uranium	25.75	-0.39%	2.79%	-8.53%	22.62%	Kagera	55000	60000	136000	185000	90000	100000	100000	110000	120000	150000	NA	NA	95000	150000	65000	75000	UTT - AMI	S - 4 A	PRIL. 201	19		
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Gold Silver	1286.51 15.166	-0.28% 0.03%	-0.43% 0.20%	0.00% 0.62%	-3.49% -7.24%	Mara	55000	75000	150000	150000	75000	75000	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	180000	180000	80000	100000	 Net Asset Value 	e				
Platinum	906.8	1.02%	7.25%	9.68%	-0.63%	Manyara	60000	60000	150000	200000	36000	42000	80000	100000	100000	120000	100000	120000	122000	130000	60000	60000	(MTshs.)	214,781	1,183	3,106	19,708	41,790
Palladium	1,333.15	-2.40%	-3.64%	-13.33%	48.05%	1 ′												420000	470000	040000			(IVI ISIIS.)	214,701	1,103	3,100	19,700	41,790
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Neodymium	372,500.00	0.00%	-0.67%	-4.49%	-16.76%	Morogoro	45000	48000	150000	165000	71000	71000	71000	71000	150000	155000	147500	163000	173500	185000	74000	82000	(T-1)	F00 7004	007 7000	000 7440	101.0001	000 0500
Rhodium	3,050.00	-0.65%	-8.82%	7.77%	49.51%	Mtwara	47000	48000	160000	190000	100000	100000	NA	NA	180000	190000	NA	NA	170000	180000	110000	115000	(Tshs.)	566.7234	387.7299	329.7140	124.6684	206.3582
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Investigators at the scene of a suicide bombing at St Sebastian Church in Negombo, Sri

Official: Sri Lanka attacks were revenge for NZ mosque killings

COLOMBO / NEW DELHI

AS a state of emergency took effect yesterday giving the Sri Lankan military war-time powers, police arrested 40 suspects, including the driver of a van allegedly used by suicide bombers involved in deadly Easter bombings and the owner of a house where some of them lived, officials said.

Bomb attacks were retaliation for a recent attack on mosques in New Zealand, a Sri Lankan official said yesterday, adding that two domestic Islamist groups were believed to be responsible.

"The initial investigation has revealed that this was in retaliation for the New Zealand mosque attack," junior minister for defense Ruwan Wijewardene told parliament.

"It was done by National Thawheed Jama'ut along with JMI," he said, referring to another local group, Jammiyathul Millathu Ibrahim.

Sri Lanka's president gave the military a wider berth to detain and arrest suspects – powers that were used during the 26-year civil war but withdrawn when it ended in 2009.

The death toll from Sunday's attacks rose to 310, police spokesman Ruwan Gunasekara said.

Yesterday, which President Maithripala Sirisena declared a day of mourning, Sri Lankan authorities planned to brief foreign diplomats and receive assistance from the FBI and other foreign intelligence-gathering agencies after officials disclosed Monday that warnings had been received weeks ago of the possibility of an attack by the radical Muslim group blamed for the bloodshed.

The six near-simultaneous attacks on three churches and three luxury hotels and three related blasts later Sunday were the South Asian island nation's deadliest violence in a decade. The government blocked most social media to curtail false information. Even after an overnight, nationwide curfew was lifted, the streets of central Colombo remained mostly deserted and shops closed as armed soldiers stood guard.

Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe said he feared the massacre could unleash instability and he vowed to "vest all necessary powers with the defense forces" to act against those

In an indication of the tensions, three explosions caused panic but apparently no injuries Monday as police were defusing bombs inside a van parked near one of the stricken

churches. Dozens of detonators were discovered near Colombo's main bus depot, but officials declined to say whether they were linked to the attacks. At Bandaranaike International Airport outside of Colombo early Tuesday morning, police walked explosive-sniffing dogs outside as inside cheery video advertisements of gamblers and snorkelers played.

At a roadside checkpoint at the airport, security officials checked car trunks and questioned drivers.

The lack of social media access was contributing to the confusion and doing little to reassure residents and visitors that the danger had passed.

International intelligence agencies had warned that the little-known group, National Thowfeek Jamaath, was planning attacks, but word apparently didn't reach the prime minister's office until after the massacre, exposing the continuing political turmoil in the highest levels of the Sri

Lankan government. Health Minister Rajitha Senaratne said the warnings started April 4, the defense ministry wrote to the police chief with information that included the group's name and and police wrote April 11 to the heads of security of the judiciary and diplomatic secu-

rity division. Sirisena, who was out of the country Sunday, had ousted Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe in October and dissolved the Cabinet.

The Supreme Court reversed his actions, but the prime minister has not been allowed into meetings of the Security Council since October, leaving him and his government in the dark about the intelligence.

It was not immediately clear what action, if any, was taken after the threats. Authorities said they knew where the group trained and had safe houses, but did not identify any of the suicide bombers, whose bodies were recovered, or the two dozen other suspects taken into custody.

All the bombers were Sri Lankans, but authorities said they strongly suspected foreign links, Senaratne said.

Also unclear was a motive. The history of Buddhist-majority Sri Lanka, a country of 21 million including large Hindu, Muslim and Christian minorities, is rife with ethnic and sectarian conflict.

In the 26-year civil war, the Tamil Tigers, a powerful rebel army known for using suicide bombers, was finally crushed by the government in 2009 but had little history of targeting Christians. Agencies

Xi congratulates first council meeting of BRI news network

BEIJING

CHINESE President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory letter to the Belt and Road News Network First Council Meeting, which opened in Beijing

The Belt and Road Initiative originated in China, and its opportunities and achievements belong to the world, Xi said in the letter.

Participating parties adhere to the Silk Road spirit of peace and cooperation, openness and inclusiveness, mutual learning and mutual benefit, and strive to develop the Belt and Road into a road of peace, prosperity,



opening up, green development, innovation and connected civilizations, said

"We are glad to see that media has played positive and constructive roles in the process of building the Belt and Road partnership network after the initiative was proposed, "Xi said, adding the Belt and Road News Network provides convenient communication and cooperation platform for media of each country.

He expressed the hope that council members will carry forward the Silk Road spirit, strengthen communication and cooperation and do more work in promoting policy communication, infrastructure connectivity, unimpeded trade, financial integration and closer people-to-people ties, to create a sound environment of public opinion for the building of Belt and Road and make the initiative benefit more people from Belt and Road countries.

Myanmar's top court rejects final appeal by jailed Reuters journalists

NAYPYITAW

MYANMAR'S top court yesterday rejected the appeal of two Reuters reporters sentenced to seven years in jail for breaking the Official Secrets Act, in a landmark case that has raised questions about the country's transition to democracy.

"They were sentenced for seven vears and this decision stands, and the appeal is rejected," Supreme Court Justice Soe Naing told the court in the capital, Naypyitaw, without elaborat-

Wa Lone, 33, and Kyaw Soe Oo, 29, have spent more than 16 months in detention since they were arrested in December 2017 while working on an investigation into the killing of 10 Rohingya Muslim men and boys.

They are being held at Yangon's Insein prison and were not present to hear the Supreme Court verdict.

Their wives, who had traveled from Yangon to hear the verdict yesterday, emerged from the courtroom quietly wiping away tears.

Panei Mon, Wa Lone's wife, who gave birth to their first child last year, said she had been "hoping for the best".

"Our husbands are good people," she said. "We want them to be released as soon as possible."

The journalists were found guilty under the Official Secrets Act last September by a district court judge in Myanmar's largest city, Yangon. They were sentenced to seven years in prison. The Yangon High Court rejected an earlier appeal in January.

Lawyers for the reporters appealed again to the country's most senior court, the Supreme Court, citing lack of proof of a crime and evidence that the pair were set up by police. A policeman testified last year that officers had planted secret documents on the two reporters.

"Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo did not commit any crime, nor was there any proof that they did," Reuters Chief Counsel Gail Gove said in a statement on Tuesday.

"Instead, they were victims of a police set-up to silence their truthful reporting. We will continue to do all we can to free them as soon as possible."



Wa Lone (L) and Kyaw Soe Oo

A government spokesman did not and published in 2018. Last week, the answer calls seeking comment.

'GRAVE INJUSTICE'

The reporters' imprisonment has sparked an outcry from press freedom advocates, Western diplomats, and world leaders, adding to pressure on Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi, the Nobel laureate who took power in 2016 amid a transition to democracy from military rule.

The courtroom yesterday was crowded with diplomats and observers as Soe Naing read the brief verdict from a piece of paper, without giving any explanation.

The head of the United Nations in Myanmar, Knut Ostby, said he was disappointed in the judgment.

press and human rights," he said in a statement. "Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo should be allowed to return to their families and continue their work as journalists.'

Shawn Crispin, senior Southeast Asia representative of the Committee to Protect Journalists, said Myanmar had "criminalized independent journalism".

The investigation the journalists were working on at the time of their arrest, which uncovered security forces' involvement in killings, arson and looting, was completed by colleagues

coverage was awarded the Pulitzer prize for international reporting.

U.N. investigators have called for high-ranking military officials to be prosecuted for crimes against humanity and genocide over a 2017 crackdown on the Rohingya in response to militant attacks in the western part of the country.

Nicholas Bequelin, Amnesty International's regional director for East and Southeast Asia, said in a statement after Tuesday's verdict that Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo were not "isolated cases" and there had been a "disturbing surge" in politically motivated arrests in Myanmar.

He called on the international community to pressure the government to "The United Nations will continue to release all prisoners of conscience and call for full respect of freedom of the amend laws used to curtail freedom of expression.

President Win Myint pardoned more than 9,000 prisoners during a mass amnesty to mark the traditional Burmese New Year in mid-April, but rights group the Assistance Association for Political Prisoners said among them were just two of dozens of political prisoners.

Responding to criticism in local media, the country's prisons department said in a statement on Monday that there were "no political prisoners" in Myanmar.

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Russia builds strong and improved relations with Africa

MOSCOW

THE relations between Russia and Africa are cordial and friendly as they both hold identical views on many regional, international and multilateral issues.

Russia is the world largest country bordering European and Asian countries as well as the pacific and Arctic Oceans, Kremlin and many African countries has been in diplomatic mission since early

Under the friendship, Russians have been investing in Africa and Tanzania in particular supporting in areas of economic cooperation, trade, investment tourism and social services such as education, health as well as infrastructure development.

Russia has long being helping Africa to produce more products which are exported thus increasing the country revenue value.

Over the years Kremlin and Africa has improved their friendship for the mutual benefit of their people and recently Africa witnessed the visit of Russia deputy foreign minister Mikhail Bogdanov to many African nations which included Tanzania. While in Tanzania, Bogdanov met with high profile government officials included President Dr John Pombe Magufuli and discussed a number of important issues.

President Magufuli who invited his Russian counterpart President Vladmir Putin for a visit in the country, also reiterated Tanzania commitment to maintain cordial relations between the two countries and also agreed to form a Joint Permanent Commission (JPC) which will spearhead bilateral ties between them, chiefly in trade, investment and natural resources. Africa and Russia have steadily developed their friendship and it is expected to grow from strength to strength, this is to be achieved as Russia is the biggest market in Eurasian region and Africa is now more open to foreign investors.

Currently many Russian investors are already active in the continent while many African business people are exporting different products including fruits, vegetables and horticulture but there is a need to increase the number of people involved in the trade between these two friendly nations. African countries must look for Russia as a partner in development, as Kremlin does not attach any political or social conditions to its support.

Many international relations experts believe that some of the problems which Africa is facing today are traced to the influence of some donors, who in most cases impose their economic model as precondition of aid.

Unlike Russia, the other challenge with Western nations is that they interfere with local politics as evidenced by some comments made by donor representatives on local politics just to drive their own agenda.

Russia believes in economic diplomacy it also trust that the world community should be guided by the African problems -Africa solutions approach to any crises in the continent, African leaders have to determine their nations priorities and strategies, destiny and fate of their own de-

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Economist says BRI bolsters growth in Africa

NAIROBI

THE China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) would stimulate Africa's growth, and African governments should take bolder steps to better align themselves with the opportunities it presents, said a Nairobi-based economist.

Anzetse Were carried out an in-depth study of the BRI after joining the African Policy Institute, a 20-year-old think tank,

"European, North American govern-

ments still view Africa as a poor disease- est infrastructure project since Kenya's ridden, very corrupt country, but countries like China, they see Africa as a big market, which has a lot of economic opportunities," Were said.

Since the introduction of the BRI, China and Africa have joined hands to build large numbers of roads, bridges, railways, power stations and ports, helping to break the logjam of the development in Africa, Were told Xinhua. Among them is the Mombasa-Nairobi

Standard Gauge Railway (SGR), the larg-

independence as well as one of the major achievements of the BRI in Africa, Were pointed out. Since opening in 2017, the SGR has transported nearly 250,000 passengers with average daily occupancy rate exceeding 97 percent.

Ten freight trains travel back and forth between Nairobi and the port city of Mombasa daily. The SGR has cut the transport time in half. Another example is a ceramic factory, which was built and funded by a private Chinese company and covers over

26 hectares, Were noted.

The factory has two production lines. and 90 percent of the employees are locals.In the past, sometimes it would take many days to transport machines from Mombasa to the factory.

But with the SGR, things changed, said Alex Gerishom, administrative manager of the factory, According to Were, the SGR not only helps struggling local small and medium countries breathe, but also drives up land prices and adds momentum to Kenya's economy.

Beijing expo to showcase China's ecological civilization progress

LOS ANGELES

THE upcoming 2019 Beijing International Horticultural Exhibition offers valuable opportunities to showcase China's ecological civilization progress and to explore ways to model human civilization on the patterns and processes of nature, said several American ecological scholars in separate interviews with Xin-

The expo reveals China's willingness to share progress with the world, and pursue green development together, said John B.

of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, noting that the event offers great opportunities to showcase China's ecological civilization progress as well as its reform and opening-up achievements.

"I believe the expo will offer great experience in ecological agriculture, gardening and horticulture for developing countries," he added.

Cobb has been advocating green development and more efforts to avoid global ecological crises since 1970s. He is the and the founding president of the Institute for Postmodern Development of China (IPDC), a U.S. think tank and non-profit organization.

Calling the Beijing expo "an extremely important international moment," current IPDC President Philip Clayton said, "This allows for people from around the world to see the most recent innovations in Chinese horticulture."

It "brings together the friendship of people who roll up their sleeves and get their hands dirty

Cobb Jr., a 94-year-old member author of more than 50 books in the dirt, and share their tech-can be valuable opportunities niques and their excitement with each other," Clayton told Xinhua.

More than 110 countries and international organizations, as well as over 120 non-official exhibitors, have confirmed to participate in the 2019 Beijing expo, which is slated to kick off on April 29 at the foot of the Great

Brian G. Henning, chair and professor of Department of Environmental Studies at the Gonzaga University, told Xinhua that events such as the Beijing expo

for the public to explore ways that humans can work to model human civilization on the patterns and processes of nature.

"The beautiful complexity of plants and other organisms should be seen not as resources to be exploited but as models on which to base a thriving ecological civilization," he said, adding that as the world's two leading economies, China and the United States, should lead the world in addressing the climate crisis as well as toward the development of an ecological civilization. Henning pointed out that he doesn't think that China and other rapidly developing nations should look to America and the West for advice on how to become an ecological civilization.

"For centuries the West has viewed nature with contempt, developing ever more aggressive ways to dominate nature, bending it to our will. This industrial mentality has brought us to this moment of ecological crisis," he

"In contrast, an ecological civilization is one that seeks to become an integral part of the

wider community of life, working with nature, not against it."

"An ecological civilization recognizes that happiness is not well measured by the accumulation of material possessions but by meaningful human relationships within a flourishing natural world," he added.

"China would be wise to look not to the West for answers, but perhaps to its own ancient wisdom traditions such as Confucianism and Taoism for the basis of a genuinely ecological civilization," said Henning.

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Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) drives against Utah Jazz forward Joe Ingles (2) in the first half during Game 4 of a first-round NBA basketball playoff series Monday, April 22, 2019, in Salt Lake City. (AP Photo)

Jazz stave off elimination with 107-91 win over Rockets

SALT LAKE CITY

DONOVAN Mitchell turned a rough start into a fantastic finish.

Mitchell dominated in the fourth quarter, rallying the Utah Jazz to a 107-91 victory over the Houston Rockets in Game 4 of their Western Conference series on Monday night.

Mitchell scored 19 of his 31 points in the final quarter to help the Jazz pull away for their first win in the series

Utah staved off elimination and forced a Game 5 on Wednesday.

Mitchell's late-game performance helped the second-year guard make up for struggles earlier. He turned the ball over twice in the first two minutes and shot just 36 percent from the field in the first three quarters before going 6 of 12 in the fourth.

Mitchell never lost confidence that he could turn it around. "My teammates have had my back with every mistake, everything I've done well," Mitchell said. "When you have that support system in the locker room every day, it makes it easier when you start the game with two straight turnovers.

Jae Crowder scored 23 points. Ricky Rubio chipped in 18 points and 11 assists and Derrick Favors finished with 12 points and 11 rebounds.

James Harden scored 30 points to lead Houston. Chris Paul added 23 points, eight rebounds and seven assists. Eric Gordon chipped in 16 points.

Utah's offense got a major boost from Crowder and Rubio in the first quarter. The duo combined for 25 points on 9-of-11 shooting in the period to help the Jazz carve out a double-digit lead.

Then the Jazz opened the fourth quarter with a 15-1 run and outscored the Rockets 31-12 during the period. "Of course, we wanted to end it tonight," Harden said. "We had plenty of opportunities. They made some plays in that fourth quarter and we didn't." Mitchell scored 13 points in three minutes to fuel the run after totaling just 12 points in the first three quarters. He capped off the surge with back-to-back 3-pointers, giving the Jazz a 91-80 lead with 9:02 remaining.

Mitchell provided his biggest highlight later in the quarter when he threw down an incredible alley-oop dunk after catching an errant pass from Royce O'Neale.

"We've had our backs against the wall plenty of times the past two years we've been together as a team," Mitchell said. "This is familiar ground with us. Everybody responded the way we expect them to, but the biggest thing for us is take what

we did today and multiply it."

Crowder got things going by scoring five of Utah's first six baskets. Rubio built on the momentum by fueling a 14-1 run with four baskets and a pair of free throws. It helped the Jazz build a 30-16 lead with 3:03 left in the quarter.

"Both of them attacked," Utah coach Quin Snyder said. "Jae got downhill and attacked the rim. Ricky did the same thing."

Houston had three straight turnovers to open the door for Utah to seize a double-digit lead. The Jazz scored 10 points off six Rockets turnovers in the quarter.

"We did things that are uncharacteristic of a team that wants to win," Rockets coach Mike D'Antoni said. An 8-0 run, capped by Austin Rivers' dunk off a steal by Paul, helped Houston

trim the deficit to 30-24 before quarter's end. The Rockets continued to cut into the lead during the second quarter, but could not overtake Utah until the third. Houston opened the quarter on a 10-2 run, sparked by back-to-back 3-pointers from Gordon. Harden capped it off with three

Houston led for much of the third quarter after going 8 of 12 from 3-point range in the quarter. The Rockets never built more than a five-point advantage, however, before Mitchell's fourth quarter performance.

free throws to give the Rockets a 57-55 lead.

"I felt like they'd thrown their haymaker, trying to knock us out," Crowder said. "We stood tall and took those punches and came out ready to play in the fourth quarter."

LIMITED STRENGTH

Clint Capela had a limited impact after battling a virus. Capela finished with just four points on 1-of-6 shooting to go along with seven rebounds and zero blocks.

"He didn't have the force he usually does," D'Antoni said. It opened the door for the Jazz to dominate around the basket. Utah finished with a 52-35 edge on rebounds and outscored Houston 52-22 in the paint. The Jazz almost doubled up the Rockets on the offensive glass with a 16-9

"It's just draining when you play great defense and give up offensive rebounds," Harden said.

Snyder inserted Favors in the lineup in place of Rudy Gobert for the final 4 ½ minutes of the fourth quarter. The move paid off.

Favors totaled six points and six rebounds in 10 minutes in the quarter. All but one rebound came during the final three minutes to prevent Houston from making a late rally, like in Game 3.



Serengeti Boys' Edmund John (C) celebrates with team mates, Maurice Michael (L) and Paschal Msindo, shortly after the former had netted the opener for the squad in the AFCON U17 championship's game against Nigeria at the National Stadium in Dar es Salaam on April 14. Nigeria won 5-4. PHOTO: COURTESY OF TFF

U-17 AFCON 2019 championship nightmare

I know. You feel it too. So do I. The crushed hopes, dashed expectations, the agony and bitterness are all vying to be the most hurtful dominant emotion within us all.

Clearly, from the north to the south and from the east to the west, our entire country had such high hopes for the Serengeti Boys in the period of time leading up to the ongoing U-17 AFCON Finals, which are continuing to unfold here in the commercial hub of the country, Dar es Salaam.

However, much to our chagrin and dismay, the script unfolded in a markedly different manner from the way in which we had all bullishly expected.

Indeed, if ever there were a clear-cut example in sports, which epitomizes the very definition of a veritable let-down, the Serengeti Boys' debacle this year was it.

It was bad enough that as the host team, the Boys catastrophically fluffed their lines and were eliminated from the African youth football showcase event in a most embarrassing fashion.

If perchance, the language that I am using to castigate our Boys' shabby displays is overly damning, then I earnestly apologize for maybe going a little bit over the top in my

Having said that though, I am confident that many of my fellow Tanzanians will be swift to understand where I'm coming, nay, where I am writing from.

In the aftermath of the ongoing U-17 AFCON Finals here

on our shores, there will be plenty of time U-17 AFCON Finals in Gabon two years ago, for domestic football's governing body, the TFF, football stakeholders, and various other concerned quarters like sports scribes and of course, You, the fans, to delve deeply and analytically into the factors which caused our young team's Jumbo-sized flop at a tournament which had been expected to serve as a grand coming out party to the rest of the continent.

Nonetheless, for my money, I strongly feel that overconfidence was a massive flaw which turned out to be the biggest stumbling block to the Boys' lofty ambitions of spectacularly leaving their mark on the 2019 U-17 AFCON

And, in my opinion, the blame for this selfdestructive complacency should NOT be laid squarely at the door of our teenage flagbearers. Absolutely not.

Indeed, I would like to put it to you that all of us living in this great nation of ours should assume our share of the culpability for this royal shambles.

Now, before some of you shriek out in howls of protest, please soberly consider the following argument.

Ever since our Boys qualified for the

which was a gigantic first in our country's football history, a running narrative has emerged, that of the Serengeti Boys being so abundantly talented that they could hardly put a foot wrong.

This narrative of our young team-are-sounstoppably brilliant was not just fueled by the media but by all of us from all walks of life in our various day-to-day dealings.

And, the more that we all collectively fed this narrative, the closer and closer it assumed the form of hype.

Even, when our young flag-bearers toured Turkey as part of their prepping just before the ongoing U-17 AFCON Finals kicked off, and lost heavily in a few of their tour matches, this largely positive chatter across the country still persisted.

Still, what's done is done and now we have to face up to this admittedly undesirable situation, learn lessons from it, pick ourselves up and move on.

And I fervently hope that in our Posttournament analysis, one of the lessons which we will learn is the age-old peril of overconfidence.



Rukuba Primary School's pupils perform during the launch of the school's library in Mara recently. Sospeter Muhongo, Musoma Rural Constituency's Member of Parliament, graced the launch. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT

Bucks advance for 1st time in 18 years and face Celtics

DETROIT

GIANNIS Antetokounmpo will have his unique talents on display in the second round of the NBA playoffs for the first time in his six-year career.

If Milwaukee's superstar can match or beat his latest jaw-dropping highlight, everyone is in for a treat, unless they play or root for the Boston

playoff-high 41 points to lift the Bucks a 127-104 sweep-sealing win over the Detroit Pistons on Monday night.

"This means a lot," he said softly.

rematch. The Celtics are also coming off a sweep, against Indiana, and should have confidence in the matchup after eliminating Milwaukee in the first round last year.

The Bucks swept a seven-game series for the first time since 1983, when they did it in the conference semifinals against Boston.

"We're going to celebrate it and have Antetokounmpo scored a career fun, but we'll quickly focus on Boston," Milwaukee guard Sterling Brown said. "It's going to be a fun series. Last year, they got us in Game 7."

Milwaukee has come a long way from

fourth-seeded Boston in a postseason appearance four years ago when and every game," Bucks center Brook the ball up and into the hoop. Chicago advanced with a 120-66 win.

"From where we were and where we are right now, it's been an unbelievable journey," Antetokounmpo said. "The organization has done a great job of just pushing in another direction."

Antetokounmpo has had a lot to do with that, smashing expectations for the No. 15 pick overall in 2013.

In games and practices, he has impressed his teammates with spectacular plays and even they were shaking their head in disbelief after his latest highlight.

"It's crazy to be able to witness The top-seeded Bucks will face Antetokounmpo's first postseason each one of these, it seems like each

Lopez said. The latest one, though, wasn't a play any of his teammates could recall seeing before.

Antetokounmpo leaped in the middle of the lane, trying to dunk on Andre Drummond with his right hand. He was met by Detroit's 6-foot-11, 279-pound center in the air and got fouled, getting bumped off his path in the paint.

No problem.

Antetokounmpo had enough strength to bring the ball down to corral it with both hands before flicking his right wrist just enough before landing to make the shot to get starter. "He reminds me sometimes of and authentic as you can be." **AP**

"It was just unbelievable," Bucks

guard Eric Bledsoe said. Brown was on the court for the

three-point play late in the first half. A couple hours later, he still couldn't believe what he saw.

"Everybody is not like him," Brown said. That appears to be true off the court, too. Bucks assistant coach Vin Baker has been watching Antetokounmpo up close on a daily basis and raves about his game as

much as his personality. "He's the best player in the world

Scottie Pippen, but Scottie wasn't 6-11. Sometimes I see some LeBron (James) in his game. But Giannis is so unique I don't think there's ever been another NBA superstar like him.

"And, he's just 24 and he attacks every day like it's his first day in the league."

Baker has seen Antetokounmpo accommodate requests from young and old fans and marvels at his humility.

"He's one of the best people I've ever been around," Baker said. "He doesn't say no to people and unlike some stars, right now," said Baker, a former NBA it's not an act. He's as real and genuine **SPORTS NEWS**

Guardian

Liverpool's Milner backs United to win Manchester derby

LONDON

LIVERPOOL midfielder James Milner says he will be rooting for Manchester United for the first time in his life when they take on Manchester City in the Premier League today.

Defending champions City are two points behind Premier League leaders Liverpool and winning their game in hand at the home of their derby rivals would allow Pep Guardiola's side to retake the lead in the title race.

Milner, who won the Premier League title with City before joining Liverpool, wants United to do bitter rivals Liverpool a favour by beating City and increasing the pressure on them in the final weeks of the season.

"First time in my life," Milner told reporters when asked if he would support United over City. "But I won't be watching. It's a bit of a waste of energy, willing the ball in the other goal."

City will be crowned champions if they win their remaining games, while Liverpool need City to drop points if they are to end their 29-year wait for an English top-flight title.

"They're a top team, they've done it before and are grinding it out. All we can do is win the rest of our games and put them under pressure," Milner added.

"There's three games left after (United). People think United is a challenge, but it's not the only one. It's an old cliche but the Premier League is tough whoever you play."

Meanwhile, Manchester United's players did not respect the club or their fans during Sunday's 4-0 loss at Everton in the Premier League, midfielder Paul Pogba said.

The result at Goodison Park left United in sixth place with four games to go. It was their third loss in five

league games and Pogba said it was a defeat they could have done without with a top four spot and Champions League qualification at stake.

"The way we played and the performance of myself, of the team, of everyone is disrespectful," Pogba told Sky Sports. "We didn't respect ourselves, the club or the fans.

"It's not good at all what we did. Losing a game is something really bad that we don't want to when we are in the race for the top four and losing 4-0 as

"Everything went wrong but the most important thing is the mentality that we put on the pitch, that has to change... What we did on the pitch is not respectful for the team mates, for the staff, for the people, for the kit man, for everyone."

United manager Ole Gunnar Solskjaer warned his players that they must show fight if they are to be a part of his close season rebuild and he also apologised to fans after the heaviest loss of his short tenure.

Pogba said the only way the squad could apologise to the fans was to give them a reaction on the pitch in their upcoming games. United's next game is a derby when they host title challengers Manchester City on Wednes-

"The fans want a reaction from the players and the only way to apologise to them is to give everything on the pitch," Pogba said. "Do our best, create chances, score goals, defend, work for

"We can even lose games, but with a good performance and pride on the pitch. When you wear this shirt at this club... you have to work and respect the culture, the history of this club and give everything on the pitch.

Zidane bemused as Spanish press round on Bale

REAL Madrid coach Zinedine Zidane is bemused by his team's fans' attitude towards Gareth Bale after they booed the Welsh forward during Saturday's 3-0 La Liga victory over Athletic Bilbao.

When guizzed on why a player who has won four Champions Leagues in five seasons in Madrid including scoring decisive goals in two of the finals - is given such a hostile reception by fans Zidane said; "I don't know. Honestly, I don't understand it." Bale came on as a substitute after being left out from the start for the second consecutive game by Zidane and irked the Bernabeu faithful by missing a one-onone chance.

The reaction was in stark contrast to the one that greeted Isco, who came on to the pitch at the same time as Bale to much delight from the stands.

For his part, Bale shrugged off missing the presentable opportunity by unselfishly teeing up Karim Benzema for his hat-trick but that did not saved him from a mauling by local media on Monday.

"The intention is to sell him, but there's no offers forthcoming," read the front page of Marca, accompanied by a picture of the 29-year-old Bale looking sullen.

"They're now open to the idea of loaning him out," the paper continued. The same newspaper reported recently that Chelsea's Belgian forward Eden Hazard will be signed to take Bale's place in the squad.

A scathing opinion piece in the paper went further.

"Madrid, or rather their president, have been procrastinating with Bale. He finished last season as a substitute for not playing well enough and it will happen again this season," it said, omitting to mention Bale's two goals, including a stunning overhead kick, in last year's Champions League final with the game finely poised. "He keeps on saying 'good morning' rather than 'buenos dias' when he arrives at the training ground; that's if he even says anything," Marca said.

"The thing is that Bale's lack of sporting value is also now on a par with his lack of economic value. He's a very expensive player and given the way football is, there's many players who are a level below salary wise who contribute a lot more."

In 2016 Bale was given a new deal through to 2022 that made him the third-best paid player in world football, but injuries - he has missed 86 games since joining the club - and a perceived failure to assimilate with Spanish culture have drawn criti-

City among best teams ever if they win title again - Foden

LONDON

MANCHESTER City must be considered one of the best teams ever if they successfully defend their Premier League title this season, according to their young midfielder Phil Foden.

City are aiming to become the first team in a decade to win the English top-flight title two years in a row. With 86 points from 34 games, they are two behind Liverpool who have played a game more.

Foden, who scored in Saturday's 1-0 win over Tottenham Hotspur, said this campaign was a much better challenge compared to last season when they won the title by a massive 19 points.

"If we can do this, then people are going to have to start thinking that we're one of the best teams ever," Foden told reporters. "I couldn't be in a better team.

"Every player wants to fight for

the team and we're unstoppable with that attitude. When we won the league last time we were miles in front but this is better because we've actually had a challenge, someone fighting with us."

City face arch-rivals Manchester United, who are unbeaten at home in their last 14 league matches, at Old Trafford on Wednesday.

"It's a very difficult game to go to United and play well, but I know we're capable of doing it," Foden said. "And if we win that one we're a step closer. It's all down to us, win all our games (and) we win the league."

However, the 18-year-old, who has started only two league games this season, may have to settle for a place on the bench with the experienced David Silva in line to return.

"Obviously, any game I'm going to play I'm going to be excited," Foden added. "I'm just waiting for my op-

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Mohamed Salah and Egypt hold no fear for Desabre's Uganda

By Ed Dove, Special to ESPN

COACH Sebastien Desabre is quietly confident that the Cranes may have an edge after being drawn against hosts Egypt in the Africa Cup of Nations, and the Frenchman is already putting together a plan to neutralise the Pharaohs' star man Mohamed Salah.

The East Africans were handed a particularly tough first-round assignment after being pitted alongside Egypt, Democratic Republic of Congo and Zimbabwe in Group A of the 2019 Afcon, which kicks off in Cairo on June

However, Uganda have plenty of fresh experience of playing against Salah and co., and Desabre believes these recent matches should prepare them well for the June 30 rematch in their third group game.

"Senegal, Nigeria and Morocco are really the favourites, but Egypt are, too, because they're hosting the tournament," Desabre told ESPN about the leading Afcon contend-

"These four teams should go far.

"We're in Egypt's group, and they're a team we know well. Personally, I know them very well as I worked in Egypt [five months with club side Ismaily SC], and we've played against them several times.

"When we play against Egypt, the boys know that it's possible [to get a result]."

The two sides were pitted together in the group stage of the 2017 Afcon, where Egypt were ultimately pipped by Cameroon in the final, and met home and away during the 2018 World Cup qualifying campaign.

"[We've] beaten them in World Cup qualification [a 1-0 victory in Kampala in August 2017], at the last Afcon they only scored in the 89th minute.

"It's very difficult, and they're favourites, but it's not too bad to play against them either. "Egypt are strong individually, and maybe as a group they're a little less strong than in

previous years, but they'll be pushed by their

"We know, at home, how important it is to

have fans behind you." There could be no talk of Egypt's strong individual qualities without reference to Salah, who scored his 23rd competitive club goal of the season, and his 67th since signing for Liverpool, when he netted in the Reds' 4-1 UEFA Champions League quarter-final second-leg victory over FC Porto on Wednesday.

Salah has regained goal-scoring form after an eight-match goalless run, and he struck a sublime 25-yard effort on Sunday as Liverpool secured a potentially decisive 2-0 vic-



Everton's Theo Walcott scores their fourth goal against Manchester United during their Premier League match at Goodison Park, Liverpool, Britain on



tory over Chelsea in the Premier League title

"Of course I saw [Salah's goal]," Desabre said, with a knowing smile, when asked how the Cranes might limit the Egyptian star's influence.

"Of course I did.

"We must put in place a unified approach

"Talent remains talent, but instead of him touching the ball, we must put something in

place to ensure that he sees less of it. "We know that players [like Salah] are talented, and that they can make the difference at any moment. That's just how it is.

"Egypt are lucky to have this kind of player, the type that we don't have, but we have a collective, and we'll put in place a style to reduce Salah's danger.

"We have no stars in our team, but our strength is our togetherness, and our aggression on the field. We have the capacity to have a team which is very solid, with great cohesion, and I know that, come the Afcon, my players will be at 150 percent.

"We'll be hard to play against, even if we've fallen into a group where we're not the most talented in terms of individuals; in terms of the collective, we know how to respond."

While Desabre is realistic about the challenge facing Uganda, and the prospect of attempting to neutralise Salah, he's confident that the Cranes are more than capable of to try to at least reduce his time with the ball. being one of the tournament's surprise pack-nal by hosts Ghana.

"At the Afcon, it isn't always the team we're expecting who wins it," he said.

"Last time we saw it with Cameroon, who perhaps weren't expected to win it at the time, but they did.

"We're very motivated by the idea of playing [at the tournament]. We'll play three games in 10 days, in 11 days, and they're three games of 90 minutes.

"We're professional, we'll be prepared, and we'll be ready.

"We've already shown that we're ready to win these matches, and to trouble the biggest

Uganda kick off their Group A campaign against the DRC at Cairo International Stadium on June 22, before playing Zimbabwe at the same venue four days later.

They conclude their campaign against the Pharaohs in the capital on June 30, when they'll be hoping to progress to the knockout stages of the tournament for the first time since 1978, when they were pipped in the fi-

Son proving Spurs are far more than 'the Harry Kane team'

HE scores early, he scores late; he scores at home, he scores away. Over two legs against Manchester City in the quarterfinal of the UEFA Champions League, Son Heung-Min gave a performance that perfectly summarised his entire season; he is a man for all moments, for all stages.

Of several players' remarkable contributions to Tottenham Hotspur's European cause -- with a special mention, of course, for the often outstanding Harry Kane and Moussa Sissoko -- Son's is arguably the most extraordinary. City entered this tie with two of the most feared wide forwards in world football, Raheem Sterling and Leroy Sane, yet they found themselves bested by a footballer who, on current form, could grace any club.

Take La Liga alone: Real Madrid could certainly benefit from his directness, Atletico Madrid could do with his work ethic and intelligence on the break, while for Barcelona he could be a thrilling foil for Lionel Messi and Luis Suarez.

If there was a defining moment for what Son did against City, it came with the first of his three goals in the tie. That passage of play was, in essence, a short film of the attacker's finest qualities: his ability to find space in the most congested areas, his speed to the loose ball, his persistence in regaining possession, his sleight of foot to elude defenders, and his ruthlessness in finishing. He could conjure no such magic in Spurs' 1-0 Premier League defeat to City on Saturday.

Son is so accomplished that it is surprising he is rarely linked to other major clubs; perhaps he simply appears to be so happy at White Hart Lane that rival teams do not bother to enquire. Yet the South Korea captain remains underrated within Europe; so much so that, on the evening when he scored that winner against City in the first leg, his name was not even one of the top trends on Twitter in the U.K.

His statistics compare very favourably those of players with greater reputations. Look, for example, at how he measures up against Sterling. He scores more Premier League goals per 90 minutes than Sterling (0.7 to 0.62), and he has 20 goals in 41 games in all competitions this season, while Sterling has 21 in 43.



Son Heung-Min

They also have uncannily similar records for their clubs; Sterling has 63 in 182 matches (0.35 goals per game), while Son has 67 in 180 (0.37). Sterling leads Son in assists this season, yet not by much: Sterling has 11 in the Premier League and Champions League, while Son has seven. They both have very strong passing statistics, with both of them completing in the 85 percent range in both the Premier League and Champions League.

In short, then, Son should be far more feted in the U.K. than he is. That could potentially be explained by his not being English, and so the local media is therefore less interested in his feats for his national team; in South Korea, by contrast, he probably has trouble walking the streets in peace.

When he arrived at Tottenham from Bayer Leverkusen, he did so as the most expensive Asian player in history. He also did so, in a manner befitting his entire career, somewhat under the radar.

Leverkusen, for whom he flourished in the Bundesliga, had long had the reputation of a side who were always on the brink of greatness but who could not quite deliver when it mattered; or, as some in the German media cruelly nicknamed them, "Neverkusen." That name was harsh considering it ignored the fact that Leverkusen, despite having vastly inferior resources to several other teams, often found themselves competing for major honours.

It is ironic, then, that Son finds himself at the English version of Leverkusen, a Spurs team led by a manager so good that he often outfoxes much richer opponents but remains devoid of silverware.

It is of course greatly to Mauricio Pochettino's credit that he has coaxed such excellence from the boots of Son. but Son must

also take many of the plaudits. The fact remains that a side once described somewhat disparagingly by Pep Guardiola as "the Harry Kane team" defeated City without Kane playing a major role.

Son has the rare blend of the humility to accept second billing in Tottenham's forward line, and the confidence to assume responsibility when the attacking mantle is passed to him.

So expertly has Son taken up the mantle that his team now stands two rounds away from becoming champions of Europe, in a tournament whose knockout stages have so far produced several performances of rare brilliance. At a time when so many around him are shining, Son has somehow contrived to be brighter than almost everyone

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Mohamed Salah and Egypt hold

no fear for Desabre's Uganda

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COSAFA sets legacy of excellence in match officiating

THE 2019 COSAFA Cup will provide a platform for not just players and coaches to shine, but also the match officials who participate in the competition to be staged in Durban from May 25-June 8. The value of the experience gained by match officials can be seen in recent appointments for COSAFA referees, who are excelling on the continental and global stage.

Three of the four referees that will blow this season's CAF Champions League semi-finals are from Southern Africa and all have a rich history with the COSAFA Cup, having cut their teeth in the competition.

Joshua Bondo (Botswana) will be in the middle when Morocco's Wydad Casablanca host Mamelodi Sundowns from South Africa on Saturday, while Hélder Martins de Carvalho (Angola) will take charge of the return fixture on May 4.

Victor Gomes (South Africa) will be in the middle for what is likely to be a highly-charged second leg between TP Mazembe from DR Congo and holders Esperance of Tunisia in Lubumbashi, also on May 4. Janny Sikazwe (Zambia) was also in charge of the quarter-final second leg in Lubumbashi in the last round. Martins is the perfect example of a referee who has been groomed through COSAFA tournaments and is now at the

"I was given the 2009 COSAFA Cup final, which was quite a surprise as I was a young referee, but it was a great experience for me," Martins said. "No-one knew me, I was very young at that time. I think people were a little bit scared about how I would perform. Me also, I was very, very scared, it was a big challenge. But it went well - and it remains probably my best memory as a referee.

"The following year there was the African Under-17 Championships and I did the final of that as well. After that I was promoted for the Under-17 World Cup in Mexico, two matches. I have moved up from there."

Martins says he has no doubt that some of Africa's leading match officials - male and female are coming out of the COSAFA region. "COSAFA is doing a great job developing new referees. Every year we see new talents in the Under-17 and Under-20 tournaments, and also, we have three or four new referees in the seniors," he said.

"I believe COSAFA is producing the best referees on the continent. We know the other referees from other regions as we see them at major tournaments. But in terms of quality and quantity of referees, COSAFA is doing a great job and better than other regions."



Fountain Gate Academy (FGA) U-18 team's striker Nurdin Mohamed (R) controls the ball during a friendly match against Tanzanite Academy at the Jamhuri Stadium in Morogoro last week. FGA team cruised to a 2-0 win over Tanzanite Academy. PHOTO: MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA

Dodoma academy targets to improve football in Tanzania

By Correspondent Michael Sikapundwa, Morogoro

DODOMA's Fountain Gate Academy (FGA) has disclosed it is determined to nurture soccer players that will turn into successful performers for Tanzania at the international level in future

Iapheth Makau, FGA director, noted his academy aims at producing talented players that will play for the senior national team, as well as playing outside the country.

The academy's U-18 squad, he said, is lately playing friendly matches against other academies and teams with a view to improve performance.

He disclosed his academy has opted for the approach as per instructions by Europe's soccer governing body (UEFA) expert Mikkel Hermmersam that visited the academy early this year.

Hermmersam, the FGA boss said, noted he was impressed by the talent that the academy's voungsters have.

The UEFA expert's arrival in Tanzania, the FGA boss noted, targeted to empower the academy's youngsters with skills in an

effort to build a strong national team in fusions that gears towards improving the ture, apart from preparing the players for professional stint.

He disclosed the academy targets to produce players that will perform well at the international players, as well as serving the senior national team, the way Mbwana Samatta does.

"The academy has scheduled theory and practical training with a view to enabling youngsters to put the instructions to practice. I hope this approach will bring positive changes given Hermmersam appreciated our efforts," he disclosed.

Wendo Makau, FGA's manager, said the academy's U-18 squad played friendly matches against four Morogoro-based academy teams and Mtibwa Sugar's U-20 squad at the Jamhuri Stadium in the region last week in a bid to improve speed.

"FGA U-18 side's players showed impressive performance, they were great in ball possession and passing, but they were wanting in speed, that is why we came here to train," he disclosed.

He disclosed the squad had training ses-

players' speed, noting lack of speed was the players' biggest weakness during an international competition that took place in Norway last year.

Africa, he noted, had two teams in the competition. The FGA U-15 players represented Tanzania and the other outfit came from Namibia.

He was adamant FGA does not consider the age of opponents, as far as taking part in friendly matches is concerned, noting improving his players' speed is the main target.

He added FGA has good record in friendly games the squad has taken part in. Out of 12 matches the squad has participated in, he noted, it has won three, lost two and recorded draw in the rest.

The FGA squad cruised to wins over Panama Academy, Nzuguni Academy and Gogo Academy, all based in Dodoma.

The academy, then, conceded defeat to national U-17 team 'Serengeti Boys' and First Division League (FDL) club, Dodoma

Australia's Turner registers dubious duck record



AUSTRALIA all-rounder Ashton Turner became the first batsman to register five straight ducks in Twenty20 cricket after another tame dismissal for Rajasthan Royals in an Indian Premier League (IPL) match on Monday.

Turner (pictured) was dismissed in the first ball that he faced, caught off the bowling of Ishant Sharma, for his third straight "golden duck" in the tournament as Delhi Capitals defeated Royals by six wickets.

The 26-year-old's three scoreless IPL innings follow another first-ball duck for Perth Scorchers in a Big Bash League loss to Adelaide Strikers and a five-ball nought for Australia against India during their two-match T20 series in February.

Turner, who was left out of Australia's squad for the World Cup beginning in England and Wales on May 30, has fared better in the 50-over format scoring an unbeaten 43-ball 84 against India in a one-day international match last month. Delhi, with 14 points from 11 games,

leapfrogged Chennai Super Kings to top

the standings on net run rate while Rajasthan remained in seventh place in the eight-team

Hyderabad will host the fi-

nal of this year's IPL on May

12, the organisers announced

on Monday. Top two finishers will clash in Qualifier 1 in Chennai on May 7 with the winners reaching the title clash.

Visakhapatnam will host the eliminator, between the third and fourth-placed teams, on

Qualifier 2, between the winner of the eliminator and loser of Qualifier 1, will decide the second finalist at the same venue two days later.

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Tanzania urged to use sports to attract tourists

TANZANIA has been advised to use sports to attract many tourists to the country's tourist sites.

Wang Rong Li, Deputy Director General of Hebei Provincial Department of Culture and Tourism, issued the call when she had discussions with officials from the Tanzania Tourist Board (TTB) in Dar es Salaam recently.

Hebei will host the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics and Li said the province enjoys splendid culture, beautiful scenery and many rich tourism resources.

"Today, I would like to introduce the ice and snow tourism in Zhangjiakou and Hebei province, the two places have not only rolling mountains, dense forest but also enough snowfall which accumulates for rather long time in winter." Li disclosed.

"As you know Chongli District of Zhangjiakou is the main venue for snow sports of 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics and the President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Thomas Bach, said the region was one of the most advantageous skiing areas in China."

"We are asking you to use sports to promote your tourism, in Hebei we have put in place many things which will attract tourists to come to watch the games as well as visit the areas of attraction. I think here in Tanzania you can also manage to do that. I visited Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Serengeti National Park, the two places are good for tourists," she said.

Wei Gao, Director of Chinese Cultural Center in Tanzania, said the visit by officials from Hebei Province will help to cement the relationship between the two countries and exchange ideas.

Devota Mdachi, TTB Managing Director, said they have learnt a lot from the visit of the Hebei Province officials.

She said they will work harder to see to it that the number of tourists visiting Tanzania is increasing as it is the case for Hebei Province which receives almost one million tourists a year.

"There are many things which we have learnt from the visit of our friends from Hebei Province, they say they receive one million tourists a year... we want to improve the number of tourists who tour Tanzania," she said.

She also disclosed that TTB is making good use of the ongoing U-17 African Cup of Nations (AFCON) finals in Dar es Salaam, saying they are distributing flyers asking people to visit Tanzania.

She pointed out all buses which participating teams are using are branded with some of tourist attractions. The board has also placed advertisements at the stadia that host the finals.



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