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7 people dead, five injured as 'cruiser' rams into carriage

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

SIX passengers died on the spot another died upon admission to hospital when a Toyota Land Cruiser rams into a cattle-drawn cart carrying 12 people at Lugala village in Chamwino District, Dodoma Region. Regional Police Commander Martin Otieno said five others were injured in the road accident which occurred early yesterday, involving a Toyota land cruiser STL 9534 of the Water Department in Katavi Region. He cited speeding as the major sources of the accident, noting that Paschal Paul, its driver was coming from the capital going

“The early morning weather in the area is foggy especially during the cold season, so with the cart on the same lane as the big car he failed to control the vehicle

to Mtera in Iringa Region. As he was too speedy he was unable to control the vehicle upon seeing the cart ahead him, he said. The early morning weather in the area is foggy especially during the cold season, so with the cart on the same lane as the big car he failed to control the vehicle, thus hitting the cart and causing the death of seven people as well as two cows, the RPC explained. The driver has been arrested for investigation and legal measures, while the Manzase ward councillor said the people in the cart were enroute to Lugala hills to dig up clay for pot making.

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Loliondo: NGO raises voice, supporting President Samia

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

CONSERVATION activists are joining forces to support efforts by President Samia Suluhu Hassan to protect the Loliondo game sanctuary and the Ngorongoro special conservation area for the benefit of present and future generations.

Peter Mhagama, director of the Foundation for Environmental Protection in Tanzania (FEPT) based here, said in a statement at the weekend that the two areas are vital strategic areas for sustainable conservation and tourism development in the Great Serengeti-Mara ecosystem.

The area comprises the Serengeti National Park, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area along with the Maswa, Kijereshi, Grumeti and Ikorongo game reserves. The Loliondo Game Controlled Area plus the Ikona and Makao wildlife management areas is an extended tourism zone with the Maasai-Mara National Reserve in Kenya.

Expressing support for efforts by President Samia in protecting the ecology of Loliondo, Ngorongoro and Serengeti against human activities encroachment and damage, like farming and large herds of livestock, he stressed that

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Prof Joyce Ndalichako, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Labour, Youth, Employment and People with Disabilities), makes a presentation to Members of Parliament in Dodoma city at the weekend. The idea was chiefly to raise public awareness on the revised regulations on the administration of retirement and terminal benefits which came into force on Friday (July 1). Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Pension formula: Unions, employers fully involved

By Guardian Reporter

THE Trade Unions Congress of Tanzania (TUCTA) and the Association of Tanzania Employers (ATE) participated in all stages of drawing up the new calculation of pension benefits, legislators were told at the weekend. Leaders of the two organisations made this observation at a seminar for members of

Parliament on the new pension regulations, an event organised by the Prime Minister's Office (Labour, Youth, Employment and People with Disability) Minister of State, Prof Joyce Ndalichako.

Deputy Speaker Mussa Hassan Zungu opened the seminar, providing the forum for TUCTA president Tumaini Nyamhokya to dispel unfathomed rumours that the

organization was sidelined in drawing up the new regulations.

He urged the public to ignore the rumours, underlining that the umbrella organization participated in all stages of deliberations. It would be unethical on his part to say that

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Angelita Msaki (2nd-R), manager of CRDB Bank Plc's Sabasaba Branch in Dar es Salaam, briefs African Continental Free Trade Area secretary general Wamkele Keabetswe Mene (in striped tie) at the bank's pavilion during the official opening of the 46th edition of the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair yesterday. Left is the Industry, Trade and Investment minister Dr Ashatu Kijaji. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Minister wants scout leaders' feuds to stop

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

Tanzania Scouts Association (TSA) leaders are in a state of continuing misunderstanding and this wrangling has to stop, the responsible cabinet minister has declared.

Prof Adolf Mkenda, who as Minister for Education, Science and Technology is also ex-officio president of the association, issued this caution yesterday at a meeting to elect a new TSA board.

He condemned the wrangling,

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Pension formula: Unions, employers, were fully involved

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workers were not involved. "We fully participated," he emphasized. Besides being protected by the law, social security funds similarly come under regulations set by the International Labour Organization (ILO) which bind workers' leaders to actively demand that the funds be protected and be assured of continuity, he stated.

"In drawing up the new regulations, the voices of workers' leaders were fully heard. They were the ones who requested the 33 per cent lump sum payment," he specified.

Suzzane Ndomba, the ATE chief executive officer, backed this observation, noting that the process of drawing up the new regulations which commenced on July 1st, 2017 involved all the stakeholders, namely ATE, TUCTA and the government. Statements issued in public that leaders of the workers' unions did not participate in the process of drawing up the new formula for pension payment to retirees were factually inaccurate, she stated.

From the time that the process of getting the formula was initiated the stakeholders failed to agree, but from mid last year the overall leaderships of the principal stakeholders and select committees were fully involved at each of the stages of drawing up the new regulations, she said.

The new regulations were better than what was decided previously and there was no reason to reject them, she argued, while the deputy speaker assured MPs that the process was participatory.

Stakeholders like employers and workers; organisations agreed on the new pension regulations, he emphasized, appealing to the lawmakers to educate the public and specific constituencies on the new pension regulations.

Tabling the 41.48trn/- central budget estimates for fiscal 2022/2023, Finance and Planning minister Dr Mwigulu Nchemba said the government has increased the lump-sum pension to 33 per cent from the 25 per cent set in 2018.

At that time it was explained that the measure was implementing the government's 2014 regulations on pension benefits. This was after pension funds for public sector employees merged into the Public Service Social Security Fund (PSSSF), sparking an outcry.

Former president Dr John Magufuli suspended the use of new formula set at 25 percent lump-sum payment, directing pension funds, except NSSF to revert to the old payment formula for a period of five years. During that period an agreeable payment system would be concluded between the funds, workers' unions and the government, the president had declared.

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determining ratios of land use in these areas must first consider wider national interests.

"The country's resources are the heritage of the current and coming generations," he said, underlining the foundation's appeal to local and international organisations to rally behind the government in the protection of these ecosystems.

The importance of the Loliondo sanctuary cannot be understated as the Serengeti National Park is among UNESCO World Heritage Sites, thus the sanctuary is essential in rescuing Serengeti ecology, he stated.

The Great Serengeti-Mara ecosystem is a key wildlife migratory system, lacking similar scenario worldwide, harbouring an estimated 1.5m wildebeest. The Loliondo Game Controlled area is special to the Great Serengeti - Mara ecosystem as a wildlife corridor, a dispersal area for migratory wildebeest and other wildlife species. It is also a feeding and calving ground for wildebeest and a major water catchment area for streams and rivers draining into the Serengeti National Park.

If the Loliondo Game Controlled Area is not well protected, the ecological integrity of the entire Great Serengeti - Mara ecosystem including the migratory system will be disrupted and eventually eliminated on the face of the earth, the director underlined.

This ecosystem is also important for the tourism industry that funds conservation and other development activities for Tanzania and such facilities in the neighbourhood, he added.



Public Service Social Security Fund public relations manager James Mlowe (R) pictured at the weekend attending to members of the Fund at the PSSSF/NSSF (National Social Security Fund) pavilion at the on-going 46th edition of the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

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The casualties were rushed to Dodoma referral regional hospital, were the medical officer in charge, Dr Ernest Ibenzi said six people were being taken to hospital with injuries but one died on the way to the hospital. One of those admitted had been released and others were being treated, with one of the injured,

Jonas Cherehani, saying he left home early in the morning and took a ride in the carriage to reach a hilly area for quarrying activities. He could not remember what happened in the accident as he only regained consciousness in the hospital, he specified. Villagers often go to the hills early in the morning to get clay which is

used for pots and similar products as an income generating activity, the councillor affirmed. Reports show that 80 percent of road accidents countrywide arise from reckless driving, with 12 percent involving faulty vehicles. Experts say six percent of accidents arise from unpredictable weather patterns and just two percent of accidents are due

to poor infrastructure. Global figures as provided by the World Health Organisation (WHO) in 2018 showed that each year upwards 1.35m people die as a result of road traffic crashes. Millions more are injured or disabled, with head injuries the leading cause of death and disability among motorcycle riders, the report intoned.



Businessman Rostam Aziz (R) congratulates Tanzania Private Sector Foundation chairperson Angelina Ngalula on her June 20 election as first female chair of the East African Business Council. This was at a function TPSF hosted in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Minister wants scout leaders' feuds ended

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which has persistently reared its head among top officials of the association, urging that electing the new board be the last day of squabbling. TSA leaders must turn the page, he said.

The good deeds of past leaders should not be clouded by smearing, he stated, demanding that those who accepted to be leaders must not engage in acts of indiscipline.

Ethical behaviour is indispensable so it should be the last time for scouts to engage in frequent disputes as if they were in soccer clubs, the min-

ister intoned.

In view of the bickering in TSA, the government proceeded to form an interim committee under Chief Scout Mwantumu Mahiza to lay the framework to organise the meeting for electing the new TSA Board, he stated.

The meeting was tasked with picking names of three board members to be forwarded to the TSA Patron, President Samia, who will then appoint the Chief Scout, he elaborated.

Elected officials need to make sure they take protect, as an aspect of respecting properties of the association,

he affirmed, urging them to be guided by sentiments of justice, instilling ethics and discipline in TSA activities.

The new leadership should quicken efforts to strengthen the scouts' movement in schools and colleges in order to bring more committed youths in the fight against gender-based violence and child abuse.

Chief Scout Mahiza said that TSA has put in place strategies to end dependence, having secured a building plot in the capital to house an international scouts' camp, a sports school, technical college and a commercial centre, for which

President Samia pledged to provide construction funds.

Archbishop Gervas Nyaisongwa, president of the Tanzania Episcopal Conference (TEC) said at the meeting that scouts' trustees are happy to see the scouts' movement being strengthened and commanding wider respect in society.

Ghulam Hussein, the Zanzibar minister for Education and Vocational Training, said the Zanzibar Scouts movement is strong and growing, having picked those who will team up to supervise amendments to the TSA constitution.

Tanzania launches grievance redress mechanisms project

By Correspondent Friday Simbaya, Iringa

THE government has launched a grievance redress mechanism (GRM) to effectively address complaints from people who are affected by project activities as a key component of managing operational risks.

The mechanism has been launched for the Resilient Natural Resource Management for Tourism and Growth (REGROW) project in Southern Circuit.

Speaking over the weekend after launching the mechanism Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism Dr Pindi Chana said that new initiative will enable project implementers to address grievances in a timely and transparent manner, thus gaining positive social cohesion.

During the conference stakeholders also received a report on the implementation of the REGROW project.

"The mechanism can open up effective channels of communication, show that the REGROW project cares about the community and its well-being, preventing or minimizing the serious consequences of project activities to the community," she said.

She said that GRM would achieve its goals if the grievances are dealt with accordingly.

Project implementers should realize that complaints are feedback from the public and stakeholders on project implementation, hence the need to learn from those feedbacks and take actions, she said.

Dr Chana added that the project aims to provide more than 40,000 jobs to farmers and citizens living alongside priority parks and other non-direct for Tanzanians in general.

Mafinga Urban MP, Cosato Chumi commended the government for launching the mechanism saying it will help to improve relationship between project implementers and the public.

He said taking into considerations the size of the project, it is clear that some of its activities will affect communities, animals, the environment and many others within and outside the project implementation area.

REGROW is a government-funded government project from the World Bank (WB) aimed at improving the management and development of existing tourist attractions in Nyerere National Park (Matambwe), Ruaha National Park (RUNAPA), Mikumi National Park, Udzungwa Mountains National Park (UMNP) and Kilombero Nature Forest Reserve (KNFR).

Other areas are Mbarali in irrigation schemes and monitoring of Ruaha river water sources to the lower section of the river.

Msomera village to have demonstration farm

By Guardian Reporter

THE government has said Msomera village in Handeni district, Tanga region is set to have a demonstration farm that will be used to provide modern livestock farming learning sessions as well as a camp for artificial insemination of quality cattle breeds.

Deputy Minister for Livestock and Fisheries, Abdallah Ulega said on Sunday that the government's intention was to make sure villagers practiced livestock farming in a modern way. Ulega was in Msomera village to inspect the on-going construction of cattle dipping facilities especially at areas that accommodates ex-Ngorongoro residents.

He said the camp, through artificial insemination, will produce more than 4,000 cattle breeds for improved production of products such as milk and meat. Following an increased number of people voluntarily shifting to the new village, the government has allocated over 160m/- for construction of a milk collection centre.

He said the centre is likely to attract investors to buy milk or set up processing factories.

"Msomera village will be a special economic area for livestock keeping; we will construct all the required infrastructures including cattle dipping equipment. I have witnessed a cattle dipping exercise where more than 1,000 cows were involved. We

are also constructing a major water preservation dam to be used by both livestock and humans," said the Deputy Minister.

Ulega said the livestock demonstration farm will include a special animal clinic; the thing is likely to attract more people to shift to the village for commercial livestock farming.

Handeni District Commissioner,

Sirieli Mchamba said plans are to start providing education to the villagers on modern livestock keeping. He said the education would be provided by the government in collaboration with the private sector.

He said within a short period, the health of almost all the domestic animals have improved due to the presence of enough pastures.



Henry Jackson Medical Research International executive director Sally Chalamila (2nd-R) briefs Prime Minister Kasim Majaliwa on how the agency has been implementing the Medical-Assisted Treatment Programme targeting drug abuse. This was during the commemoration of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking held in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Witnesses include Drug Control and Enforcement Authority commissioner general Gerald Kusaya (3rd-L) and Constitutional and Legal Affairs minister Dr Damas Ndumbaro (L). Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Need to make water a top agenda and prioritise environmental conservation

By Felister Peter

TANZANIA is one of the African countries where the water agenda has not been given priority hence the need for concerted effort to make sure companies, individuals and governments put water on their top agendas.

Mina Guli, a marathoner who is this year running 200 marathons to promote protection of water sources, insisted that water sources such as lakes and rivers need to be protected as the precious liquid integrates with people's lives.

Guli who is the founder and CEO of Thirst Foundation was speaking in Dar es Salaam over the weekend shortly after she completed a marathon which was part of the 200 marathons over the course of a year in some of the most water-stressed places globally.

Guli's 'Run Blue' marathon campaign was locally supported by the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Tanzania.

"The world is facing a massive water shortage, with 40 per cent of the global population already experiencing water scarcity. The problem of water crisis is invisible, I have seen it and I want the world to see it too," said Guli, adding water issues impact all the people everywhere hence the need to step up for a change.

She added: "I am running in six continents with the idea of bringing people together towards protection of water sources. Water comes from rivers and lakes, it comes from the ecosystem."

She said the marathons show the urgency of protecting water sources as well as reminding people on why they should act now.

"Individually you can make an impact; but together we can change the world," remarked

Guli.

An influencer and conservation ambassador with WWF, Mwasiti Almas stressed the need for communities to jointly act on water issues for a big impact.

She said it is important that water sources are protected accordingly together with provision of conservation education to children from primary to college level. "Once children are taught about conservation issues at early stages, they grew up knowing the importance of protecting water sources for them and future generation," she noted.

Joan Itanisa, Communications Manager at WWF Tanzania said: "We have been supporting a number of activities that are geared to promote conservation as well as protection of water sources. It is important that we all take actions to protect water sources by avoiding conducting human activities near water sources."

She said WWF supported the Kisarawe marathon last year and has been taking part in the Mara sport's event in Mara Region, among many others. "Our lives depend on water, without safe and adequate water there is no life. It is important to take care of the environment," added Itanisa.

BISMILLAH RAHMAN RAHIM



The family of the late Dr. Omar Ali Juma invites you for prayers in memory of THE LATE DR. OMAR ALI JUMA which will be held on Thursday 7th July, 2022 at Ngazija Mosque, at 4.00 p.m.

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All relatives and friends are invited.

May God rest his Soul in Eternal Peace. Amen

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French government commends joint initiatives to promote agro-ecology, organic farming practices

By Francis Kajubi

FRENCH government has commended joint initiatives by the government and the private sector in promoting agro-ecology and organic farming practices.

France is confident that organic farming will lead to serving people's lives from non-communicable diseases that as a result of consuming food derived from conventional farming models that relies heavily on industrial chemicals.

This comes after the Minister of Agriculture Hussein Bashe has told the National Assembly in May that the ministry through the 2022/23 fiscal year will finalize the drafting of the National Ecologic-Organic Agriculture Strategy that will provide the vision and guidelines for the agriculture system in the country.

Speaking at a special occasion held last Friday evening in Dar es Salaam to award Dr Mwatima Juma a recognition golden medal for championing movements towards promotion of agro-ecology developments, Nabil Hajlaoui, French Ambassador to Tanzania, said that the medal has been provided by the French Agriculture Minister Julien Denormandie in recognition of Dr Mwatima's efforts of promoting organic agriculture.

"The French government is in full support with initiatives taken by the government of Tanzania in promoting and giving a deserved space for organic agriculture and agro-ecology in its development plans; adding that, the French government has been always ready to support Tanzania in every aspect that embeds prosperity of its people and in this regard it will continue extending such support in the agriculture sector," said Hajlaoui.

According to him, the medal to Dr Mwatima not only honors her dedicated efforts towards promotion of agro-ecology and organic agriculture but also environmental conservation and women empowerment in leadership.

He among other initiatives and efforts, the French gov-

ernment recognizes that Dr Mwatima is the pioneer and founder of the Practical Permaculture Institute of Zanzibar (PPIZ) that aims at reaching small scale farmers in the East African region with education on permaculture skills to promote future food and water security thus ensuring dynamic economic development.

In her appreciation remarks, Dr Mwatima Juma who also doubles as the Tanzania Organic Agriculture Movement (TOAM) Chairperson said the recognition medal not only motivates her in perceiving the best of her career but proves that the initiatives she puts in are recognized.

According to her, agro-ecology and organic farming is the only way forward if Tanzania is to realize its mission of becoming a free-non-communicable diseases victim.

"Conventional farming with all it comes with is a death agency. The chemical we use in the name of big harvest kills soil fertility hence threatening agriculture sustainability and people's health in turn;

After we had killed soil fertility we are later subjected to food fortification to add up nutrients that should be derived from the soil we spoil," cautioned Dr Mwatima.

She underlined that the issue of food insecurity can be a history if the world is to embrace smart agriculture practices such as permaculture, agro-ecology and organic farming models.

During the 2022/23 financial year the ministry of agriculture had planned to issue a guiding manual for agriculture that stands climate change effects to the 26 municipal and district councils of the country.

However, the ministry is set at extending smart green agriculture technologies to ten district councils to assist farmers survive implications that come with climate change effects.

The ministry will also run a special sensitization programme on smart agriculture practices that guarantee environmental conservation.



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- Propose and undertake feasibility reduction and adaptation measures to reduce harmful environmental practices.
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- Support design and construction for future green buildings.
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NEMC irked by wanton destruction of toxic waste at Mtibwa sugar factory

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

THE National Environmental Management Council (NEMC) says toxic chemicals have been destroyed at Mtibwa Sugar Factory without adhering to environmental management laws.

This came to light during an impromptu inspecting visit at the factory by NEMC officials at the weekend.

In the circumstances, NEMC has prohibited local council authorities countrywide to interfere in destruction of chemicals without

following laid down procedures thereby threatening the biodiversity.

Speaking during the visit, MEMC director General, Dr Samuel Gwamaka said they have discovered that Mvomero district Council's environment Officer wantonly implemented the destruction of a consignment of expired chemicals from the factory without following laid down procedures.

"What I want to put right to local councils countrywide is that you should never destroy or deal in chemicals without informing the

Government Chief Chemist and NEMC who are the sole authorities to issue permits to destroy hazardous waste," said Dr Gwamaka.

He also called on all factories in the country to abide by the laws and regulations governing destruction of hazardous chemicals which has to be sanctioned by relevant authorities.

"Disposing of toxic waste pose hazards to the biodiversity and the environment in general, hence they should be destroyed, I therefore call to all factories, whether textile factories or others to make

sure they first obtain permits from the Government Chief Chemist and NEMC before embarking on such destruction," he added.

The NEMC boss also called on Mvomero District Council to submit official documents on the destruction of the chemicals done.

For his part, NEMC Manager for Morogoro-Rufiji Zone, Amina Kibola beseeched people engaged in activities that produce toxic wastes, including chemicals from laboratories, factories and mines to abide by laws, regulations and procedures during such disposal.



Dar es Salaam Regional Medical Officer Dr Rashid Mfaume (L) undergoes a health check under Vodacom Afya-Call unit doctors Kelvin Katamboi (R) and Peter Ngaiza (2nd-R) at the weekend at the ongoing Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair. Looking on are Vodacom Tanzania Plc digital services unit officer Goodluck Moshi (3rd-R) and AfyaCall director Flourine Madomba. Photo: Guardian Correspondent



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Land valuation experts told to abide by their work ethics

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

DR Allan Kijazi, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development, has called on land valuation experts to assess themselves in their duties to avoid working on behalf of other people.

He said various researches made that show a big percentage of work performed by land valuation experts is influenced by people wanting them, the situation that does not provide a good picture as public employees.

Speaking here at a two-day task meeting last week by land valuation experts, Dr Kijazi said they should assess themselves what should be done to arrest the situation as they engage in a profession that does not abide by adhere to work ethics and official guidelines.

"It is essential to mobilise yourselves for change in your performance to abandon working habitually and have strong work ethics that will assist the ministry to provide quality service to the people," said Dr Kijazi.

For his part, Government Chief Land Valuer, Evelyne Mugasha said in order to avoid challenges facing land valuation, they have mobilised themselves to educate land values to be transparent in all what they do.

"Right now in our task, we have mobilised ourselves to provide that education as well as being transparent, in the past a person did not know how much he will get as compensation, but now he is shown the computation of the valuation including the property he has on the land plot before putting his signature," she said.

According to her, the procedure has helped to remove challenges and cited the example of the SGR project saying there haven't been any disputes in regard to valuation as the entire process is transparent.



Ref: KSL/IOM/239/22

Date: 24 June 2022

LETTER OF INVITATION – REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

International Organization for Migration (IOM) Mission in Tanzania, hereinafter referred to as 'client' hereby invites prospective qualified proposers to submit proposals for development of technical design and technical documentation (Architectural and Engineering Designs, Bill of Quantities, Cost Estimate and Construction Schedules in The proposed Makere Resettlement Processing Centre Phase 2 (M-RPC-2), located at Makere in Kasulu District, Kigoma Region in accordance with the General Conditions of Contract and the Terms of Reference as set out in this Request for Proposal (RFP).

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

- Section 1: This Letter of Invitation
- Section 2: Instruction to Proposers
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- Section 7: Proposal Forms

If you are interested in submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, please prepare your proposal in accordance with the requirements and procedure as set out in this RFP and submit it by the deadline for submission of proposals set out in Section 3: Data Sheet – Site visit 14 July 2022 while proposal submission deadline **27 July 2022 (1:30pm – EAT)**.

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We look forward to receiving your proposal.

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Name: Nyararai Kwenda
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Invitation for Bids

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1. This Spe follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in The Guardian Newspaper dated 29th June 2021.
2. The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has received a loan from Saudi Fund for Development, Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) and Kuwait Fund For Arab Development intends to apply part of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for the consultancy services for Detailed Design and construction supervision of Rehabilitation and Expansion of Mnazi Mmoja Hospital in Zanzibar project.
3. The **MINISTRY OF HEALTH- ZANZIBAR** now invites sealed bids from eligible suppliers for **SUPPLYING OF DOUBLE CABIN PICK-UP FOR PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT.**
4. Bidding will be conducted through the **National Competitive Bidding** procedures specified in the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Act No. 11 of 2016 and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Regulations unless otherwise stated in the Bid Data Sheet.
5. Interested Bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the Bidding Documents at the office of the **Tender Board Secretary, Ministry of Health, P. O. Box 236, Mnazi Mmoja Street, from 8:30 am up to 3:00 pm on Monday to Friday** inclusive except on public holidays.
6. A complete set of Bidding Document(s) in English language and additional sets may be purchased by interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the address given under paragraph 4 above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of TZS 50,000/- Payment should be settled through the following Account details: Peoples' Bank of Zanzibar (PBZ), **MINISTRY OF HEALTH – ACCOUNT. No. 0707968000.**
7. All bids **MUST** be accompanied by a "Bid Security" in the amount of **Tanzania Shillings Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Only (TZS. 3,500,000/=)** or its equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency of eligible countries.
8. All Bids in One original plus two copies properly filled in, and enclosed in plain envelopes must be delivered to the address **PROCUREMENT AND DISPOSAL MANAGEMENT UNIT, MINISTRY OF HEALTH, P. O. Box 236, Mnazi Mmoja Street, on / before Wednesday 03rd August, 2022 at 11.15 am local time.** Bids will be opened promptly thereafter in public and in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend in the opening at the **MINISTRY OF HEALTH, P.O. Box 236, Conference Room at Mnazi Mmoja street – Zanzibar.**
9. Late bids, portion of bids, electronic bids, shall not be received, bids not opened and not read out in public at the bids opening ceremony and therefore shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances.

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27 Indian companies is in Tanzania to explore investment opportunities

By Beatrice Philemon

A business delegation from 27 Indian companies is in the country to explore trade and investment opportunities and participate at the ongoing 46th Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair.

India High Commissioner to Tanzania, Binaya Pradhan said this in Dar es Salaam over the weekend when speaking at the Multisectoral Business Symposium involving businesspersons from India and Tanzania.

The forum, which brought on board officials from the Business Registrations and Licensing Agency (BLELA) and Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC), was aimed at promoting products; enhance bilateral trade and

economic relations between the two countries.

He noted that India is among the largest trading partners in Tanzania with imports and exports growing.

"Last year we have seen growth where imports from India was \$2.3billion generated from pharmaceutical goods and textile products while Tanzania exports to India worth \$2.2billion generated from gold, coffee, cashew nuts, pulses, soybeans and recently they have added avocado fruit," he said.

According to him, Pharmaceutical goods were \$257.2million, and textile products were \$134.0 million.

He said right now people from India are interested to

invest in Tanzania, especially in the Port area, mining sector, building the pharmaceutical plant, and agro-processing sector to strengthen business links between the two countries.

He further said India and Tanzania are determined to work closely towards finding the best ways to unlock new potentials and reinforce the existing trade and investment opportunities that exist between our two countries.

Federation of Indian Export Organizations (FIEO)'s deputy director and delegation lead, Sunil Dutt said: "We are here to explore business opportunities, promote what we have, and share experience in business with other exhibitors from Tanzania and other foreign countries."

Tanzania's industries foresee healthy growth driven mainly by government investment in infrastructure, apart from the rise in the scale of activities this year, the scope of development is also seen to expand.

"With this objective, we have come with Indian companies representing these sectors so that Tanzanian buyers can consider sourcing quality Indian products," he said.

India is the leading trading partner of Tanzania, the bilateral trade between India and Tanzania has grown strongly over the years reaching USD \$3.23billion in 2021/2022 with India's exports of \$1.47billion.

He said it is evident that trade and investment be-

tween the two countries are moving upwards, however there exists a vast scope of further expansion and this can be achieved by having more engagement and closer interactions between the two countries.

He said FIEO is an apex trade promotion body set up by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India in 1965 to promote India's international trade.

Currently, FIEO represents small, medium, and large-scale exporting units spread on an India basis and today boast of a direct membership of over 35000 companies and they represent every products and services sector of India.

BRELA's director of commerce and business, Meinrad

Rweyemamu called on the Indian delegation to share technology transfers with Tanzanians to help Tanzania have better products.

"We invite you to invest in Tanzania, BRELA is here to support you, so come and register your businesses or companies, we will protect your trademark and patents while in Tanzania," he said.

He said BRELA is mandated to support and facilitate the business environment and protect industrial properties in terms of Trademarks and patents as well as regulation of fair conduct of business.

He elaborated that registration of a business name takes two days, an Industrial license- three days, and Trade Mark registration takes 90 days.

"We invite you to come and register your business or your foreign brand, currently BRELA has been able to set up various reforms so as to promote the industrialization drive," he said



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Health Advisor SRMNH

As a federal enterprise, GIZ supports the German Government in achieving its objectives in the field of international cooperation for sustainable development.

The GIZ programme 'Improving Health Care Provision in Tanzania' (IHCP) is looking to fill the position of Health Advisor in the area of Sexual, Reproductive, Maternal and Neonatal Health (SRMNH).

Duty Station: Dar es Salaam
Fixed term contract

Responsibilities:

- managing the area of Sexual, Reproductive, Maternal and Neonatal Health (SRMNH) ("the area of technical expertise") under the programme objectives, team agreements and agreements with the superior
- assisting programme initiatives to provide professional advisory services to the political partners (Tanzania Ministry of Health and PORGALG), the commissioning party and related bodies, and to cooperate with a broad range of target groups in and outside of the Tanzanian government
- participation and representation of the programme in national forums in the area of SRMNH (e.g. Technical Working Groups (TWG))
- innovation and knowledge management
- supporting programme management on selected cross-cutting topics as assigned by the programme manager

Tasks:

Advising the partner institution(s)

- advises the partner at national level for strategic and operational documents (e.g. policies, strategies, plans, guidelines, SOPs) in the area technical expertise
- contributes to preparing and implementing the coordination process, joint programme activities and work at the regional level in the area of technical expertise
- deals with the design, preparation and implementation of workshops, seminars and other events on issues connected with the programme's areas of activity
- develops and organises quality assurance measures and suggests necessary changes, improvements and initiatives

Coordination tasks

- Develops, implements and monitors the implementation of operational and financial plans in the area of technical expertise, and integrates them into programme-wide plans
- coordinates programme activities with programme management and advisors in other areas of expertise, and in cooperation with the partners
- supports the implementation of work packages in the area of expertise through preparing procurements of services and goods as well as grant making
- monitors progress, quality assures and supports contractors and grant recipients in implementation of their plans and activities
- compiles the relevant information for joint activities and assignments.

Networking and cooperation

- supports cooperation, regular contact and dialogue with partners at the national and regional level
- oversees Public Relations (PR) work and cooperates with local communities, relevant organisations, non-governmental agencies and individuals in the programme environment and with other projects to improve and maintain good working relationships in the area of technical expertise
- communicates local interests and efforts, forwards these and encourages sharing ideas and information for the benefit of the programme

Knowledge management

- ensures knowledge transfer to programme information
- develops ready-to-use strategies and technical concepts, including guidelines, manuals and procedures
- draws up reports and presentation documents
- prepares appropriate input for various programme reports including annual reports, and contributes to the other reports required by the programme manager and GIZ Head Office
- assists with research activities and studies on issues which benefit joint programmes.

Required qualifications, competences and experience

- Master's degree in medicine, with specialization in a related field (e.g. Obs/Gyn, Paediatrics); additional qualifications in SRMNH-related topics are an advantage; MSc in public or reproductive health, or similar is an added advantage
- at least 3 years of experience in health service delivery in SRMNH
- at least 3 years' professional experience in a comparable position
- high level of professional and personal integrity
- proven ability for teamwork, co-creation and skill-transfer
- very good working knowledge of ICT and computer applications (e.g. MS Office, Excel)
- fluent written and oral knowledge of the English, knowledge of German is an added advantage

Application:

Interested candidates should send their letter of application together with the CV and copies of academic certificates by email to hr.giz-tanzania@giz.de.

Please use the subject line 'Health Advisor SRMNH'.

Closing date for submission: **15.07.2022**
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

GIZ Tanzania is an equal opportunities employer and encourages applications from all qualified and eligible candidates regardless of their gender, origin, religion/belief, disability or any other minority group.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

HERD HEALTH FIELD COORDINATOR

IITA-TZ-2022 - R4D-008 -NRS-DSM

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) on behalf of the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) invites applications for the position of Herd Health Field Coordinator. The Herd Health Field Coordinator will contribute to research for development of livestock value chains in Tanzania under the One CGIAR "Sustainable Animal Productivity for Livelihoods, Nutrition and Gender Inclusion" (in short, "SAPLING") Initiative implemented by ILRI, ICARDA and ABC- CIAT. SAPLING aims to enable 800,000 livestock producers – especially women and youth in 7 countries to engage in inclusive value chains and achieve sustainable productivity gains resulting in improved livelihoods.

Tanzania is one of seven focus countries identified as a priority given the importance of livestock in the livelihoods of its people and the commitment of public and private actors to transform food systems through sustainable livestock development. Smallholder dairy and poultry value chains have been selected as priority value chains in the country under the Initiative.

The Herd Health Field Coordinator will principally focus on piloting of integrated herd health initiatives in smallholder dairy, building on Maziwa Zaidi activities to catalyze enhanced uptake of proven dairy technology packages in pilot sites in Kilimanjaro and Tanga regions. The technology packages include delivery of bundled vaccine and artificial insemination services through inclusive business models involving empowered women and youth agripreneurs. Usage of information communication technology (ICT) or digital tools including mobile smartphone applications for farmer profiling and e-extension is envisaged.

Duty Station: This is a Nationally Recruited Position, and the incumbent will be based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Key accountabilities

- Coordinate herd health field research activities in Tanzania under SAPLING Initiative
- Lead implementation of herd health monitoring, learning and evaluation including questionnaire design and epidemiological data collection
- Lead preparation of herd health reports and communication products from field activities
- Establish and manage client and stakeholder relationships
- Contribute to publishing results of research
- Maintain project work plan
- Verify and analyse the accuracy of data and information used or generated by project partners; resolve any discrepancies or problems.
- Propose ideas to the project team for improving the implementation of the project based on experience on the ground

- Prepare records of project activities and ensure the timely processing and delivery of required reports

Academic requirements
Bachelor's degree in veterinary medicine and MSc in epidemiology, agribusiness, project management, economics or rural development

Specific experience required

- A Tanzanian in mid-career with at least 6 years' work experience; a minimum of 3 years of which should have been spent in the delivery of development projects working with an NGO or in the private sector
- Awareness and/or experience in use of digital ICT tools by animal health practitioners including Mobile apps
- Field experience in livestock (preferably dairy) R4D in Tanzania – especially in linking farmers to inputs and services
- Experience with supervising/coordinating collection, storage and analysis of data related to agricultural households and associated value chains. Strong data analytical skills and knowledge of statistical applications such as using 'R', STATA or SPSS.
- An understanding of innovation systems and entrepreneurship
- Proven experience with project planning, management and monitoring & evaluation.
- Problem solving skills
- Excellent leadership skills
- Excellent written and spoken English and Swahili

General information:
The duration of contract for the position is two years. This is a nationally recruited position and IITA offers a competitive remuneration package.

Applications: Applications including curriculum vitae, copies of certificates, telephone number, email address, and names and addresses of two referees should be sent to the Country Representative, IITA-Tanzania, Plot No. 25, Mwenge – Coca-Cola Road, Mikocheni Industrial Area P.O. Box 34441, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania or by email to IITA-Tanzania@cgiar.org.

Applicants are requested to please indicate the reference number for the position as indicated on the heading of the announcement in your application as well as on the subject of your email if sending by email. If sending by post or hand delivery, please indicate the reference number on your application as well as on the left-hand side of your envelope.

Please note that any applications without the reference number indicated will be automatically disqualified.

Closing date: Two weeks from the date of advertisement appearing in the newspaper. Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.



Alex Mgeni, NMB Bank Plc's head of business banking, briefs the bank's corporate clients at a Business Executive Network meeting held in Mwanza city yesterday on newly introduced services meant exclusively for them. Photo: Guardian Photographer

Dr Mwinyi welcomes Bohora community to invest in Z'bar

By Guardian Reporter

ZANZIBAR President Dr Hussein Mwinyi has held talks with Mufaddal Saifuddin, spiritual leader of Dawoodi Bohoras and explained various investment opportunities the community can grab in Zanzibar. The talks were held at Zanzibar state House at the weekend as the Dawoodi Bohoras leader and his delegation expressed interest to continue supporting President Mwinyi in his efforts to bring development to the people of Zanzibar. During the talks, Dr Mwinyi (pictured) told Syedna Mufaddal about various business opportunities available in Zanzibar including the good business environment put in place by the Zanzibar government. President Mwinyi also used the occasion to welcome investors and businessmen from the religious community saying the government has put in place robust strategies and pledged great cooperation with the community.



'Zanzibar Housing and Population Census preps 87 pct ready'

By Correspondent Friday Simbaya, Iringa

ZANZIBAR Second Vice President, Hemed Suleiman Abdulla has said preparations for the August 2022 National Housing and Population Census had reached more than 87 per cent.

He made the statement in Iringa Region over the weekend at the closure of the 21 days training of trainers of

coming national census. He said the exercise will be one of its kind to be conducted in the country as it will be conducted in a digital way with data collection will be done using tablets.

VP Abdulla said the census would be the sixth to be held since 1967 when the first one was conducted. He said this year's census will involve collection of information on buildings and residential

addresses.

He urged the trainers to focus on the training they received and prioritize the principles of patriotism in executing their duties in order to achieve specific demographic goals that are essential for social and economic development.

"We will conduct our census in a unique way; other countries will come to learn from us. It connects two major

national practices which are real estate sector and the residential address," said the VP.

Deputy Representative of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Dr Wilfred Ochan expressed satisfaction with the readiness shown by the government to carry out the important task of conducting a population and housing census.

He commended Tanzania for conducting various censuses of population and housing which has generated high quality data that are used by the government to better serve the people.

Dr Ochan noted that the country is going to conduct a digital census by using tablets for the first time that will help generate high quality statistical data to be used by the government and various

stakeholders.

Chief Government Statistician, Dr Albina Chuwa from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) said the training of more than 410 trainers which took about 21 days included a number of people including economists and urban planners.

Chuwa said the next step will be to train trainer at regional and district level.



Livestock and Fisheries minister Mashimba Ndaki addresses farmers and herders at Njinjo in Kilwa District, Lindi Region, yesterday on ways to resolve land-related and other disputes in the village. Photo: Mbaraka Kambona

TUICO reminds employees of responsibilities at workplaces

By Correspondent Sabato Kasika

THE Secretary General of Tanzania Union of Industrial and Commercial Workers (TUICO) for Dar es Salaam's Kinondini Region Tushabe Bebwa has called on workers about their work responsibilities to avoid unnecessary disputes with employers.

Bebwa made the remarks at the weekend at the event to present prizes to best workers of Tanzania Steel Pipe Ltd (TSP) based in Ubungo, Dar es Salaam.

He said it is essential for employees to adhere to good relations with employers at work places by following labour guidelines, laws and regulations so that it becomes easy to demand for their rights.

"It will be easy for you to demand for your rights if every one of you will stick to your responsibilities fully by following up labour guidelines," he said.

Added he: "Good relations at work places is TUICO's aim, you cannot be going against laid down labour procedures and laws just because you are a member of this Union, the employee remains with the right to take steps against you."

He said prizes to best workers should spur to you to work hard in

order to increase production, but also to build good relationship with the employer.

"In regard to the issue of work contracts and better working environment, it is better as TUICO members to discuss with your employer, but also remind non-TUICO members that they cannot be incorporated in contracts for better working conditions, hence tell them to join the Union," he added.

TPS Human Resources Officer, William Msofe said this year the factory has 8 employees awarded with 40 roofing sheets each and certificates.

"Regarding the issue of hard work, I have no problem with factory workers, but there are a few with poor discipline whom I will deal with to put them on line," Msofe added.

He said the discipline issue is important everywhere including at work places and that the management will not tolerate any worker lacking discipline.

TUICO Chairperson at the factory, Ernest Paul called on the workers to prop up solidarity as a way to make them close to the employer so that whenever they have complaints, it should be easy to be listened to and implemented.

Agroecological project enables farmers in Kongwa to harvest bumper yields

By Correspondent Valentine Oforo, Dodoma

SOME farmers in Kongwa District, Dodoma Region have managed to realise good yields despite the intermittent and unpredictable rains that thwart production among most farmers during the 2021-2022 season.

The impressive record has been attained after the farmers have received effective knowledge on agroecological technologies through the 'Enabling a Resilient and Prosperous Community through Participatory Agro-ecological Practices in Semi-Arid regions of Central zone' project.

Under the financial auspices from Biovision Foundation of Switzerland, a three-year Biovision Watershed Agroecological Project (BVWSP) focused to improve agricultural productivity among the farmers within eight villages of Kongwa district through scaling out of validated agroecological technologies.

Dry spell experienced from mid-March 2022 onwards left many farmers who had grown maize in their fields with little to nothing crop yields as opposed to farmers who had planted improved varieties of sorghum (variety Macia), maize (variety Tumbi 105, Situka) and pigeon pea (variety Mali) issued to farmers for planting by the Biovision

watershed project.

Of the four farmers interviewed by the Guardian recently, three who own and manage three acres of technology hub plot (THP) in Mlali-Iyegu village have expressed that the project has had a positive impact.

Philemon Mwijumbe, a beneficiary farmer from Mlali Iyegu village in Kongwa district said that most of the farmers in the area were failing to achieve bumper harvests from crops grown due to drought, caused by erratic and unreliable rainfall.

But he expressed his gratitude to the Biovision Watershed Project, for establishing the technology hub plot in his, being one among permanent learning sites to be used by multiple stakeholders to spearhead scaling of proven technologies at landscape level.

"Already as you could vividly see by looking around, he said, the project has immensely helped me improve crops yields as a result of using Fanya Juu/Fanya Chini contour terraces, and tied ridges, the technologies that have immensely helped in conserving moisture and preventing soil erosion and soil fertility loss," he said.

Another farmer, Elizabeth Sabwalise, said that apart from receiving training on good crop husbandry, especially on soil and water, natural resources management (NRM)

practices and agroforestry, she has also learned the importance of diversifying and doing crop rotations.

"Before the BVWSP we used to realize poor crop harvests to the extent that we even failed to meet our basic needs as well as taking children to school," she said, and added: "But after being trained on how to cheat the effect of climate change my livelihood has stepped into a bright future".

Eva Joshua Mizambwa, on her side, said that she will never ever refrain from adhering to advice given to farmers by extension officers and / or researchers following agroecological practices implemented and good crop yields realized.

Winnie Saigodi, a farmer from Moleti village who owns and manage an acre of intercropped field of sorghum (variety Macia) and pigeon pea (variety Mali) expressed her gratitude for the good work that the project is doing in extending validated agro-ecological technologies from plot level to landscape level.

"My farm was completely destroyed by massive soil erosion caused by both water and wind but now my land has been restored and I am grateful for the good agroecological technologies that the project has taught me such as planting of shelterbelts which has tremendously solved the fuel wood problem," she

said.

Peter Ngowi, a senior scientific officer (Natural Research Management) at the International Crops Research Institute of the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), informed this publication that the BVWS project purpose is to improve agricultural productivity and landscape scale natural resource management through participatory planning, diagnosis and implementation of integrated watershed management as well as promoting the use of innovative and agroecological based agricultural practices that enhance sustainability and household resilience.

He detailed that the BVWS project is being implemented in 8 villages of Kongwa district namely Sagara 'A', Sagara 'B', Laikala 'A', Laikala 'B', Mlali, Nghumbi, Lengaji and Moleti where during the 2021-2022 cropping season 50 farmers from each village were trained on improved agroecological practices.

He also added by saying that in order to impart improved agroecological practices knowledge to the younger generation, four primary schools have been trained on agroecological practices and the schools are namely Queen Elizabeth Academy (in Mlali Bondeni village), Visumi primary school (in Moleti village), Iyumbwi primary school (in Iyumbwi village) and Nghumbi primary school in

Nghumbi village

"The training involves making of Fanya Juu/Fanya Chini (FJ/FC) contours, intercropping of cereals and legume crops, farmer managed natural regeneration (FMNR) terraces, improved crops husbandry/ agronomic practices, use of tied ridging and the importance of farm yard manure and intercropping of cereal and legume crops whereby a total of 400 farmers were trained," he detailed.

Elirehema Swai, the Coordinator for Research and Innovation at the Tanzania Agricultural Research Institute (TARI) Makutupora Centre) on his side said that the collaborative and participatory research work by TARI, ICRISAT, the Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) and the University of Dodoma (UDOM) and Kongwa district council has managed to provide farmers with improved, but drought tolerant varieties of key economic cash crops that flourishes well in semi-arid agro ecologies of Kongwa. The seeds include Macia (Sorghum), Tumbi 105 (Maize) as well as pigeon pea (Mali).

The project is being implemented jointly by three partners, including TARI, LEAD Foundation, and ICRISAT with lucrative financial support from the Biovision Foundation for Ecological Development of Switzerland.



INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SECURITY EQUIPMENTS TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA

I. INTRODUCTION

Geita Gold Mining Limited ("The Company") an AngloGold Ashanti's ("AGA") asset is located in north-western Tanzania, in the Lake Victoria goldfields of the Geita region, about 5km from Geita town.

The Company is in the process of Procuring Security equipment's and is, therefore, inviting interested eligible suppliers to submit Expression of Interest for the supply of goods as detailed below.

NB: THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED BELOW MUST BE SUBMITTED WHEN EXPRESSING INTEREST ON THIS SERVICE/WORK. QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WILL BE SUBJECTED TO ANGLO GOLD ASHANTI VETTING PROCESS.

Scope of work:

REFERENCE NUMBER	SERVICE DESCRIPTION
GGME1463	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SECURITY EQUIPMENTS TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA

I. INFORMATION REQUIRED

PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	20%
COMMERCIAL	
Company Profile	1.54%
Company Code of Conduct	1.54%
Company Code of Ethics	1.54%
Copy of registration/Incorporation Certificate	1.54%
Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate (TCC)	1.54%
Copy of 2021 BRELA search Registration Documents	1.54%
Copy of Company Memorandum and Article of Association	1.54%
Copy of Latest BRELA Application of Annual Returns	1.54%
Copy of TIN Certificate of Firm/company and VRN	1.54%
Copy of Current Business Permit/Trade license.	1.54%
Company Shareholding Structure (ownership of shares in percentage (%), Share certificates and Passport/Voter or National ID card for Management & Shareholders	1.54%
List of Directors	1.54%
Compliance with the Mining (Local Content) Regulations, 2018 by having Local Content plan - Approved by mining Commission	1.54%
FINANCIAL POSITION & TERMS OF TRADE	5%
Audited & certified financial statements (2019-2020)	2.5%
At least 1 reference from the applicant's banker regarding supplier's credit position	2.5%
SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	5%
OSHA Compliance Certificate	1.25%
Workers Compensation Fund Certificate/ any proof of compliance	1.25%
Environmental Management Plan / Programme / Policy	1.25%
Health and Safety Programme	1.25%
OTHER POLICIES	5%
Gifts / Hospitality / Sponsorship Policy / Procedure	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Forced and Child Labour	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Abuse, Discrimination and Harassment	1%
Grievance Procedure	1%
Human Rights Policy / Procedure / Programme	1%
PAST EXPERIENCE	5%
At least 3 names of the applicant's clients, value and duration of the contracts entered with the clients in the past two years (must be listed)	1.7%
Signed contracts/LPOs (proof of the above)	1.7%
Provide at least 3 recommendation letters from different clients	1.7%
TECHNICAL CRITERIA (GGME01463)	60%
Ability of supplying, installing and repair of the security equipment	15%
Having technical know-how on the system (provide certificate/any proof)	10%
Must supply exact the same Item as per attached data sheets/specs	10%
Ability to advice for any system changes/improvement	5%
Provide training and system support	10%
At least two years warranty protection	10%
Total	100%

Interested bidders must submit their expression Letters of Interest ("LOI") by quoting the SERVICE DESCRIPTION AND REFERENCE NUMBER (GGME01463) of the service they intend to express interest on THE SUBJECT OF THE EMAIL together with supporting information to GGML, which states the full name, address, telephone and e-mail address of the bidder, name of the principal contact, and signed by an authorized representative. The LOI must outline a statement of firm capability to provide the relevant Services, including similar contracts undertaken over the past three years. All LOIs and support documentation must be received by the GGML Office via e-mail at geita.eoi@anglogoldashanti.com not later than 8.30AM 18TH July 2022 (the "LOI" Submission Deadline). EOI submissions should not exceed 10MB per email. In case the size of the email exceeds 10MB, please split the submissions into more than one email.

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INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SODIUM CYANIDE BRIQUETTES TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML), TANZANIA

I. INTRODUCTION

Geita Gold Mining Limited ("The Company") an AngloGold Ashanti's ("AGA") asset is located in northwestern Tanzania, in the Lake Victoria goldfields of the Geita region, about 5km from Geita town.

The Company is in the process of procuring sodium cyanide and is, therefore, inviting interested eligible suppliers to submit Expression of Interest for the supply of this reagent as detailed below.

NB: THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED BELOW MUST BE SUBMITTED WHEN EXPRESSING INTEREST ON THIS SERVICE/WORK. QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WILL BE SUBJECTED TO ANGLO GOLD ASHANTI VETTING PROCESS.

Scope of work:

REFERENCE NUMBER	SERVICE DESCRIPTION
GGME01479	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SODIUM CYANIDE TO GGML

Specification:

SODIUM CYANIDE (BRIQUETTES)	
Description	Specification
Scientific Formulae	NaCN
Specification	Sodium Cyanide Solid 98% +/-1% WT:WT
	Typical Analysis:
	Sodium Cyanide 98% WT:WT
	Sodium Carbonate 0.90% WT:WT
	Sodium Formate 0.80% WT:WT
	Water Remainder
Packaging	Intermediate Bulk Container (IBC)
	1000 kg net in plywood box with integral pallet and internal .P. -woven bag with P.E – lining to UN 1689 and IMDG

II. INFORMATION REQUIRED

PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	20%
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Workers Compensation Fund Certificate/ any proof of compliance	1.25%
Environmental Management Plan / Programme / Policy	1.25%
Health and Safety Programme	1.25%
OTHER POLICIES	5%
Gifts / Hospitality / Sponsorship Policy / Procedure	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Forced and Child Labour	1%
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Repossession of old factories: When nature and market have better ideas

PLENTY of work is being done by the regulatory authorities, including the National Development Corporation (NDC), on repossessing old industries whose purchasers or to whom they were transferred failed to put them back on their feet. At times such partakers have sought advice on design or feasibility from the Tanzania Industrial Research and Development Organisation (TIIRDO) on what sort of factory or processing layout can work and at what cost. Reestablishing failed production lines is complex; many fail.

Yet with the passage of time, economic considerations which were largely ignored during privatization, mostly taking place largely 30 years ago, are now being noticed for what they are. The problem at that time, and it is also partly the case at present, is that regulators follow a fixed idea of a planned economy, making a fetish of any industrial layout so long as it exists, and will do everything in their ability to retain it in that format. Often the key issue isn't the market but other stakeholders, like employment numbers.

Despite this effort, investors have too often failed to follow the bidding of regulators, that all they need to do is to look for new technology and restore the same production lines.

Some of the factories, producing cloth, could definitely not have survived given the used clothing market which for all intents and purposes is new to those who purchase the products. All it needs is prior dry cleaning and placing in bales, for clothes which are seasonally purchased and discarded, all

too often, or retained in wardrobes for some years, being worn once or twice during the relevant season. Protectionists scorn such clothing, to no avail.

Time has passed since the early 1990s when these changes were taking place, with urban areas expanding quite fast, such that older industrial areas now become part of a vastly expanded business district. In Dar es Salaam it is no longer just the government centre neighbourhood for banks and hotels, and Kariakoo in the western part of the ancient city centre, as a wholesale zone. The city centre on the one hand and the old shopping zone on the other hand have extended via major roads joining those areas, the fashionable Ali Hassan Mwinyi Road now simply extends the scenic sea front. Morogoro Road duplicates Kariakoo.

With the breadth and length of the highway becoming a dense shopping mall especially around Manzese and its vicinity, the old Friendship Textile Mill is a sort of museum of post-revolution technology in China, shifted to Tanzania in the mid-1960s. We still celebrate these memories when an occasion is provided, but the practical bent of how to use the sprawling space at the mill has turned the page. The 'interior' of the mill is still a 'national heritage' of textile plant outlays, but the front part features big clients in the service industry, like importer of machinery, servicing upcountry buses and receiving luggage, plus wholesale frames. It is land, labour and capital that is now at issue, not planned economy.

Let's combat dilemmas stalking crop extension, fishing, livestock services

LISTENING to some last-minute debates during the Question-and-Answer session on the final day of the parliamentary Budget meeting, one item that came across quite vividly was a contention on relevant technology and expectations of agro-sector revitalization. For one thing, budget funds were especially beefed up in this year's estimates, multiplied several times in like manner as the health sector component of the Budget was multiplied in the early years of the fifth phase government. These are fruits of a more responsible use of government funds - arising from a new tone in leadership, above the din of criticism.

What parliamentarians were looking for in a number of questions was the supply of cold chain technology - or simply deep freezers - so that produce like tomatoes, not to speak of a whole series of flimsy greens, can be stored and marketed instead of thrown away.

Unless produce like that is lifted immediately as it is picked from the farm it rots up quickly, and the farmer chalks up losses, and that happens too frequently. The demand for deep freezers wasn't firstly for vegetables but fish, but the relevant deputy minister kept suggesting an alternative, namely the need to adopt drying techniques, preventing the catch from rotting.

This dilemma and the various technological solutions being put up relate to a core dilemma, of the way in which production techniques relate to population, thus to productivity and gain, or loss and

poverty. While MPs - and the government - wish for an uplift in the way in which farmers, fishing peasants or cattle herders conduct their work, they expect a better income, whereas the market is different. Mostly having the same crop over a wide area, the extent to which they suffer losses is demonstrably high.

Agro-sector produce that is now being adopted in many areas can produce good yields and a measure of wealth if some parameters are right, firstly if there is relative scarcity for the produce in local and wider markets.

Traditional cash crops virtually require a weather catastrophe in a major producing country, for instance the famous Brazilian frost occasionally enabling the price of coffee to rise, when a huge supply gap opens up due to frost. Cotton, lacking similar price push mechanism, has steadily lost market value.

The problem here is that policy makers think that we can retain 70 per cent of the population in rural areas, living off the land, improve their working tools and all of them get a market. Improved tools leave just a few efficient producers on the land, but the rest can't leave the land and move to towns unless they exchange the land for capital, to be able to do something else.

If such property isn't being purchased, few industries come up, so there are too many people offering produce in rural areas, or services in towns. Land and building purchases create industry, raise collective purchasing power and boost retail trade.

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Urgent need to enact proposed law on better sexual and reproductive health in East African countries

By Stephanie Musho

THE Ministry of Health in Kenya recently reported that about 700 teenage girls got pregnant daily over a two-month period, in this year alone. What is more is that during this period, 98 adolescent girls between the ages of 10 and 19 contracted HIV every week in this time period.

Worse still is that HIV positive women in the country continue to be stripped of their dignity and face abuse in the form of forced sterilization which is as a warped method of reducing HIV infection despite there being no scientific evidence to support these assaults. Moreover, consider that concurrently, 7 women die every day from complications arising from unsafe abortion.

This is only a snapshot of the depressing state of sexual and reproductive health and rights in the country.

If passed, all partner states of the EAC will be required to integrate sexual and reproductive health in their efforts towards universal health coverage. Additionally, countries will be required to harmonize their national health policies and regulations, more so, on and sexual and reproductive health rights.

The grim reality however does not seem dire enough for Kenyan parliamentarians who have twice before - in 2014 and in 2019, failed to enact separate but similar legislation - the Reproductive Health Bills - that would have provided a framework to mitigate the prevailing circumstances, prevent future occurrences and ultimately bring down these figures.

The much-needed legislation was not passed despite the Constitution providing for the right to the highest attainable standard of health - including reproductive health in article 48 (1) (a).

Worse still is that policies are often drafted, and withdrawn at the whim of Ministry of Health officials, leaving Kenyans at the mercy of individuals and their biases. Take for instance the Standards and Guidelines on Safe Abortion which were developed to direct medical practitioners on how to administer safe medical abortion, in compliance with the law.

The then Director of Medical Services, Dr. Nicholas Muraguri arbitrarily withdrew the policy document. The High Court ruled in 2019 that Dr. Nicholas Muraguri and the Ministry of Health violated the rights of Kenyan women and girls in withdrawing these guidelines and ordered their reinstatement. This was not done. Consequently, women and girls in need of safe abortion, with very few - or no safe options.

In 2022, the Head of Reproductive and Maternal Health in the same ministry, Dr. Stephen Kaliti wrongfully stated that giving contraceptives to minors is a criminal offense punishable by a jail term of up to 20 years. In his erroneous statement that pointed to a proposed policy that is yet to be passed, Dr. Stephen Kaliti misled millions of Kenyans. To make matters worse is that the police then use such pronouncements to harass patients and service providers. Consequently, they are hesitant to give and seek services respectively, exacerbating the crisis.

The state of affairs is depressing. Nonetheless, there remains hope at regional level. On



The proposed law seeks to provide age-appropriate sexual and reproductive health information and services.

the floor of the East Africa Legislative Assembly is the East Africa Community Sexual and Reproductive Health Bill, 2021 (EAC SRH Bill); sponsored by Hon. Kennedy Mukulia; a South Sudanese national representing South Sudan in the House.

The Bill is anchored on article 118 of the East Africa Community Treaty which speaks to the commitment by partner states to cooperate in health specifically in the advancement of reproductive health and rights. If passed, all partner states of the EAC will be required to integrate sexual and reproductive health in their efforts towards universal health coverage. Additionally, countries will be required to harmonize their national health policies and regulations, more so, on and sexual and reproductive health rights.

Specifically, the proposed law seeks to provide age appropriate sexual and reproductive health information and services. Often, most people associate the term "age-appropriate" in the ambit of sexual and reproductive health

and rights only with adolescents.

Nonetheless, it cuts across the divide; including provisions for elderly persons on issues of menopause and andropause - which is a collection of symptoms, such as fatigue and a decrease in libido, experienced by some middle-aged or older men and attributed to a gradual decline in testosterone levels. Additionally, the Bill seeks to prohibit and facilitate the elimination of harmful practices from the community.

These include female genital mutilation, forced sterilization of HIV positive women and forced marriage among others. Which all remain pressing issues in all partner states of the East Africa Community.

While it could be argued that countries are sovereign and will retain the current hard stance on sexual and reproductive health and rights; the Bill has a clause on monitoring and reporting where if passed, all countries will have to provide reports as to the state of implementation to the Secretary General who will then provide a

compiled report to the legislative assembly.

Where dissatisfied with fellow states' progress - or lack thereof, partner states can engage mechanisms including through the East Africa Court of Justice among others, to hold other states accountable to their commitments. This is a welcome prospect as countries - including Kenya have a history of selectively adhering to the rule of law at national level.

As the Bill comes up for public participation on June 26 2022, it is important that Kenyans and all other persons in the East Africa Community fully understand the issues articulated in the Bill. Thereafter submit informed memoranda to the East Africa Legislative Assembly. It is important that we #PassEACSRHBill to put an end to preventable diseases and preventable deaths.

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By Guardian Reporter

Budget theme, priorities echo hope of relief for majority of Tanzanians

THE theme for the 2022/23 budget endorsed by the National Assembly in Dodoma last Wednesday is Realizing Competitiveness and Industrialization for Human Development. Its top priority sectors are agriculture, livestock, fisheries, energy, investment and trade.

The National Bureau of Statistics's National Sample Census of Agriculture 2019/20 which covered both smallholder farmers and large scale farms from a total of 12,007,839 households in Tanzania (11,659,589 in Mainland Tanzania and 348,250 in Zanzibar) found that 7,837,405 households (65.3 per cent) were involved in agricultural activities.

Out of the total agriculture households capture in the report, a total of 5,088,135 (64.9 per cent) were involved in crops only, 2,589,156 (33.0 per cent) households engaged in crops and livestock, 154,291 (2.0 per cent) were involved in livestock only, whilst the least number of households were involved in fish farming (1,358) and pastoralism (1,465), jointly having less than one per cent. There were 1,093 large scale farms, from which 554 were dealing with crop production only, 277 were dealing with livestock only, crops and livestock were 202 and 60 farms were dealing with fish farming.

By prioritizing agriculture, livestock, fisheries as top three in the budget allocation, this means investing in majority of Tanzanians with the aim of lifting millions out of poverty.

It must be remembered that while tabling his ministry's budget estimates for the 2022/2023 financial year, Agriculture Minister Hussein Bashe said irrigation farming coverage will be increased from 727,280.6 hectares in 2021/2022 to 822,285.6 hectares in 2022/2023. Further, the ministry plans to irrigate 1.2 million hectares by 2025.

If fully implemented, this will be a milestone for agriculture sector in the country as there will be less



Finance and Planning minister Dr Mwigulu Nchemba tables the 2022/23 national Budget estimates in the National Assembly last month. File photo

dependence on rain-fed agriculture. And with promised mechanization and subsidized input as well as value addition, Tanzanian farmers will graduate from mainly subsistence to agribusiness.

And all this come as a time when the economy is showing strong signs of recovery from the Covid-19-induced stagnation. In 2021, the economy grew at 4.9 per cent compared to a growth of 4.8 per cent in 2020.

The increase was attributed to diverse efforts taken by the government, including the implementation of the Tanzania Covid Socioeconomic Response Plan (TCRP) and strategic investment, especially in energy, water, health, education, roads, railway and airports infrastructure.

Tanzania's public debt stock as of April 2022 was 69.44trn/- equivalent to 14.4 per cent increase as compared to 60.72trn/- in April 2021. This amount

includes domestic debt of 22.37trn/- equivalent to 32.2 per cent of the debt stock and external public debt was 47.07trn/-, equivalent to 67.8 per cent of the debt stock.

However, the stated amount for external public debt covering external non-concessional loans amounting to 14.27trn/- equivalent to 30.3 per cent of the debt stock. This means that, a large portion of the external public debt is concessional.

In November 2021, the government conducted the Debt Sustainability Analysis (DSA). Such an exercise was done in accordance with the Government Loans, Guarantees and Grants Act, CAP 134.

The conducted DSA revealed that debt burden indicators are within sustainability thresholds that are internationally acceptable during

short, medium and long term.

Furthermore, the analysis revealed that the present value of public debt to GDP is 31.0 per cent which is less than a threshold of 55.0 per cent; the present value of external debt to GDP is 18.8 per cent as compared to the established benchmark of 40.0 per cent; and the present value of external debt to export is 142.4 per cent as compared to the cut-off threshold of 180 per cent.

The government plans to spend a total of 9.09trn/- on debt servicing during the financial year 2022/23, according to Finance and Planning Minister Dr Mwigulu Nchemba. The amount is part of the 14.94trn/- endorsed by the National Assembly in Dodoma. Out of the amount, a total of 13.62trn/- will go into recurrent expenditures, with the rest being channelled into development projects.

To further boost the economy, the minister said the Tanzania Agriculture Development Bank (TADB) is planning to disburse Sh78 billion worth of loans to the manufacturing sector during this new financial year. One of the milestones in the 2022/23 budget is the removal of fees for form five and six students in public schools. This relieves the parents of at least 10bn/- in financial burden.

This means that fee-free basic education that was being enjoyed by learners from primary level to form six now covers the entire pre-tertiary education in Tanzania. This is commendable.

And last week, he announced that Regional Administrative Secretaries and education officers will from now onwards verify and approve joining instructions for students so as to curb irregular contributions posted to parents by school administrations.

Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa made the directive when adjourning parliament in Dodoma on Thursday, saying that the government has heard the complaints from MPs and parents on the influx of contributions in public schools.

With 10 per cent of council revenues set aside as revolving fund for women, youth and people with disabilities, this budget seems to have touched all the right buttons.

If implemented to the letter as envisaged, the 2022/23 national budget is likely to lift millions of Tanzanians out of poverty and make this beautiful country a nice place to live for all.

Tanzania's education system needs major reforms, not cosmetic surgeries

By Correspondent Thomas Lyimo

THE emphasis on improving education in our country has been like a nightmare that always goes and comes back. Some of our academicians have proved to have considerable thinking capacity which we cannot totally reject if our aim is to improve our education.

But the problem has always been lack of persistence to press on something, for example putting in place a single book policy until results are obvious.

It is undoubted that Tanzania is among the countries in Africa or probably in the world that have suffered much when it comes to the issue of how better to provide education. Lack of real remedy to the problems in our education system, has forced the government to embark on attempts to improve our education and this has led to several reforms, some of which are said to be poorly conceived.

Some few reforms are such as the fusing of Physics and Chemistry for secondary schools in 2015, use of GPA instead of division in form four results in 2012 and the recent recombination of History and Geography to form Social Studies for primary schools and removing Personal Development studies, and introduction of Civics and Moral Education in the 2016 primary school syllabus.

With multiple reforms in our education, it is a clear sign that we are not sure of where our education should take us as a nation. Some academicians and other experts in education have always been asking the basis from which the decisions for our education are made but in many occasions the government has failed to come up with satisfying answers.

Regarding the popular saying that the government is you and I, we may be encouraged to tirelessly propose some things which we

believe can make a difference in the way we provide our education so as to witness the desired results one of which being producing candidates who are self-reliant.

A single book policy is one of those issues which if implemented, can mean something in the way we provide our education. The doubt with the validity of a single book policy will slowly if not suddenly perish as we move together in this discussion.

There are many justifications for a single book in the education system, one of which being uniformity in the dissemination of information. With numeracy of books with varied contents in the book stores, there is a high level of disparity in the dissemination of information in the country by schools or other teaching centres.

There are books with irrelevant materials and others written using a very complex language which pupils cannot afford especially those of primary schools. This situation impedes the learning process, making attaining the national goals in education something hypothetical.

Correlation between syllabus and contents taught is another advantage of a single book policy. When what is expressed in a syllabus is also what is seen in the books, things will be encouraging. Confidence in learning will increase as teachers teach what they have faith in and pupils learn the same.

Again, a single book policy will assist teachers in preparing lessons. This will be due to similarity in the arrangement of the contents of the syllabus and the contents of the books. Assisting a teacher in preparing lessons will mean a lot as a teacher performs many tasks. Easiness in preparing lessons will enable a teacher to engage in other tasks which are also of paramount importance such as teaching, composing exams and providing academic assessment



for pupils. Fair examination of the pupils is something also to result from a single book policy. If a single book which is a perfect reflection of the syllabus is what is used to compose examinations, there is an assurance of fair examination.

Additionally, a single book pol-

icy will enable education experts to make correct assessment of the trend of education as there will be no confusion in the selection of materials for teachers to teach or pupils to learn in the whole country. This will enable experts to say whether education is growing or

deteriorating.

Talking of our education is something causing tiredness and confusion as things to discuss are numerous. Before we get tired let us talk of cost reduction in education. A single book policy will enable the reduction of costs in

our education. Schools will need only a few books, meaning little amount of money to be spent on purchasing books. Parents also will have to buy few books for their children and hence a relief in cost of purchasing books.

With a single book policy, the

future of Tanzania is promising as little money will be spent on books and other funds will be directed to other areas of improvement in our education system.

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'Bulgaria didn't act independently in move to expel Russian diplomats'

MOSCOW

BULGARIA has not been pursuing an independent policy for quite a long time and its decision to expel 70 Russian diplomats was made under the pressing of external forces, Russia's Permanent Representative to the European Union Vladimir Chizhov said on Friday.

"I think that one can speak about Bulgaria's independent foreign policy only with regard to the remote past," he said in an interview with the Rossiya-24 television channel, commenting on Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova's words that Bulgaria had made this decision at the request of external forces.

According to Chizhov (pictured), Bulgaria's support for NATO's steps and its voting in favor of anti-Russian sanctions also indicates its political dependence.

He slammed the decision to expel Russian diplomats as strange and warned against jumping at the conclusion about severing diplomatic relations between Moscow and Sofia.

On Tuesday, Bulgaria's authorities announced their decision to declare 70 Russian diplomats and technical staff of Russian diplomatic missions *persona non grata* and expel them from the country.



These people and their family members, 200 people in all, are to leave the country until July 3. It means that the work of the Russian embassy and consulates general in Bulgaria is practically stalled.

On Thursday, Russian Ambassador to Bulgaria Eleonora Mitrofanova sent a note to the Bulgarian foreign ministry demanding this decision be cancelled as having "unprecedented, scandalous, absolutely ungrounded and provocative character, which undermines the basis of relations between the two states."

She said on Friday that the Bulgarian foreign ministry has ignored her note, and she is looking at raising the issue of the closure of the embassy in Sofia before the Russian government.

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Ethiopia, partners launch 30m USD initiative to reduce maternal malnutrition

ADDIS ABABA

THE Ethiopian government and its partners have launched a new multi-sectoral nutrition initiative that envisages reducing maternal malnutrition, child wasting and stunting in the country.

The newly launched program, dubbed "Addressing Maternal Malnutrition, Child Wasting and Stunting in Ethiopia," will be implemented through a partnership agreement between the Ethiopian Ministry of Health, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and Action Against Hunger.

The UN Children's Fund, in a statement issued late Friday, said the 30 million U.S. dollars program will reach at least one million pregnant women and three million children with vital health and nutrition services during its five years period.

The initiative is also expected to promote long-term improvements to the population's nutrition as well as socio-economic indicators by making Ethiopia's health and food systems more resilient and encouraging healthier, more productive communities.

Meseret Zelalem, Director of Maternal, Child Health and Nutrition at the

Ethiopian Ministry of Health, said the program is in line with the Ethiopian government's commitment to reducing stunting and ending child malnutrition in the East African country.

"The government of Ethiopia has a strong commitment to accelerate the reduction of stunting and ending child malnutrition by 2030 as a key strategy for human capital development and inclusive economic development," a UNICEF statement quoted Zelalem as saying.

Ethiopia has experienced a steady reduction in the prevalence of stunting over the past two decades from 58 percent in 2000 to 37 percent in 2019, according to UNICEF.

However, despite the progress, more than 5.8 million children under five years are affected by stunting and 1.2 million are affected by wasting, it said.

The UN Children's Fund said improving maternal nutrition is important to ensure women's health and achieve better pregnancy and birth outcomes in Ethiopia.

UNICEF stressed that given the scale of malnutrition in the country, there is an urgent need to accelerate the provision of vital nutrition services for vulnerable people.

Xinhua

New Delhi slams US panel report on religious freedom in India

NEW DELHI

INDIA has slammed the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) over what it described as biased and inaccurate comments on India.

According to India's foreign ministry, the comments reflect a severe lack of understanding of India, its constitutional framework and its plurality.

"We have seen the biased and inaccurate comments on India by the US Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF)," Arindam Bagchi, India's foreign ministry spokesperson said in response to a media query on Saturday evening.

"These comments reflect a severe

lack of understanding of India and its constitutional framework, its plurality and its democratic ethos."

On Saturday the USCIRF on its social media platform quoted its commissioner David Curry, saying the commission is "concerned about the Indian government's continued repression of critical voices -- especially religious minorities and those reporting on and advocating for them."

"Regrettably, USCIRF continues to misrepresent facts time and again in its statements and reports in pursuance of its motivated agenda. Such actions only serve to strengthen concerns about the credibility and objectivity of the organization," Bagchi said. **Agencies**



Indian students participate in a procession to protest against barring Muslim girls wearing hijab from attending classes at some schools in the southern Indian state of Karnataka, in Kolkata, India. File photo

NATO's new strategic concept exposes Washington's hegemony pursuit

MADRID

FEATURING anti-China rhetoric, NATO's new strategic concept laid bare the intentions of the United States, the military alliance's de facto leader, to incite bloc confrontation by demonizing other countries and exploit the organization to maintain its hegemony worldwide.

NATO leaders on Wednesday approved the 2022 Strategic Concept, a blueprint laying out top imperatives and challenges for the next decade.

It sets the alliance's joint position on emerging challenges, calling Russia the "most significant and direct threat" to NATO's security and accusing China of posing "systemic challenges" for the first time.

As a relic of the Cold War, NATO, which should have disbanded long ago, has become a handy tool for the United States to contain other countries, in particular, China and Russia.

It is clear that the new document, covering the alliance's priorities and goals for the next 10 years, was actually designed to guide NATO on how to maintain American hegemony in the future.

Such self-serving intentions deserve high alert from both Europe and the Asia-Pacific.

Through the updated NATO document, the United States has tried to realize three strategic goals -- fomenting confrontation between Europe and Russia to continuously cripple Russia; urging Europe to strengthen its defense and using European resources to ease the pressure on American defense in Europe, and forcing the U.S. allies to join hands in suppressing China.

This exposes America's established Cold War mentality, in which



The document lays out NATO's vision for an evolving Alliance that will remain able to defend its members against modern threats and commits NATO to become more agile, more capable and more effective.

Asia and Europe are the country's geopolitical cards, and only by sabotaging the relations between the two continents, can the world's sole superpower hold up its hegemony.

Unfortunately, although NATO has repeatedly claimed that its positioning as a regional alliance remains unchanged, it, in fact, has done quite the opposite.

In the Asia-Pacific, the alliance has joined the United States in implementing the latter's divisive strategy and anti-China agenda for the sake of the Western dominance in the region.

In recent years, some NATO members have also worked with the United States to send planes and warships to China's adjacent waters for military operations, in a bid to stoke tension and provoke conflicts.

Yet the malicious intentions of the United States and NATO's erroneous words and actions have aroused

the vigilance of people of insight all over the world, who have publicly opposed the U.S.-led NATO expansion to the Asia-Pacific region and called for strengthening cooperation with China.

Former NATO Secretary General Javier Solana said NATO's expansion and its pursuit of a stronger presence in Asia will make it more difficult for NATO members to interact with other countries that do not see China or Russia as enemies or rivals, who do not want to take sides between China, Russia and the West. Solana warned that a "global NATO" or "NATO plus" could divide the world into adversarial blocs.

Before the new Strategic Concept was released, NATO members carefully negotiated "language that describes the security issues China presents for the Euro-Atlantic area while avoiding rhetoric that some allies would deem to be too inflammatory," according to U.S. media outlet Politico on Tuesday.

"We don't have a border with China, so it's a completely different context," Portuguese Minister of Foreign Affairs Joao Gomes Cravim-

ho was quoted as saying.

History has proved that only mutually-beneficial cooperation, rather than playing bloc politics, can win over regional countries.

Thus, Washington's self-serving geopolitical intentions and vicious attempts to drive wedges across the world are doomed to fail. China is always a builder of world peace, a contributor to global development and a guardian of international order.

China does not stir up trouble, but it is not afraid when others do. China will firmly and forcefully respond to any act that infringes upon China's interests.

Xinhua

China achieves win-win situation for economic growth and environmental governance - Cameroonian student in China

By Shi Yuanhao, Bai Ziwei



Joseph Olivier Mendo'o

JOSEPH Olivier Mendo'o, a Cameroonian student studying in China and also head of the African Youth Delegation in China, found the year 2021 truly memorable, as Chinese President Xi Jinping wrote back to him twice in the year.

Mendo'o is a PhD candidate at Peking University's School of International Studies. In June last year, he and 44 other representatives of overseas students at the university wrote a letter to Xi to send their best wishes to the Communist Party of China (CPC) for the 100th anniversary of its founding.

In the letter, they conveyed the thoughts and experiences they have had while studying and living in China, and expressed their appreciation of the achievements China has made under the CPC's leadership, as well as their recognition of the CPC's people-centered philosophy of development.

On June 21, 2021, Xi wrote back to them, encouraging them to gain a deeper understanding of the real China, share their ideas and experiences with more people and play an active role in promoting friendship between the peoples of all countries.

Not long after that, Mendo'o, together with more than 30 other representatives of young foreign participants at the Global Young Leaders Dialogue (GYLD), a mechanism initiated by Chinese think tanks for the sharing of ideas and mutual learning among young people from different countries and fields, wrote a letter to Xi to congratulate the CPC on its 100th birthday.

Besides sharing their trips to and impressions of various parts of China, these young foreigners expressed their hope of serving as a bridge so as to better promote exchanges and communication between China and foreign countries.

On August 10, 2021, Xi sent a reply letter to these young people. In his letter, Xi encouraged them to further exchanges and mutual learning, and contribute to the building of a community with a shared future for humanity.

"The two letters from President Xi showed his care for foreign youths and earnest hope of us playing an active role in promoting people-

to-people bonds. They have made us more eager to learn more about China," said Mendo'o.

To see the China as it is, Mendo'o has visited and carried out field investigations in many places across the country over the past seven years when he has studied and lived in China.

He has been to north China's Shanxi province, southwest China's Guizhou province, northwest China's Ningxia Hui autonomous region, southeast China's Fujian province, and north China's Hebei province, among many other regions, and gained first-hand knowledge about and a deeper understanding of the development and changes in the Chinese society.

During his trip to Shahao village, Xingxian county, Lyuliang city of Shanxi province, Mendo'o spent some time with the first Party secretary of the village, who was sent to assist the village with poverty alleviation, and understood what it was like to be a village official in China.

"The first secretary knows so well about every family, such as how many children a family has and which family lost a cow, which surprised me so much. And I learnt afterward that every first secretary in Chinese villages is familiar with the situation of local families and works hard to solve the difficulties in people's life just like the official I met," Mendo'o recalled.

His experiences in Shanxi made

Mendo'o know better about the CPC's place in Chinese people's hearts.

"During my visit to Jinggangshan city, east China's Jiangxi province, an old man explained to me why Chinese people often say 'follow the instructions and guidance of the Party'. He told me that the CPC has always maintained close ties with the people and followed a people-centered philosophy in all of its work, so the people naturally trust the Party," Mendo'o told People's Daily.

Because of this experience in Jingxi, Mendo'o has been particularly interested in China's practice in poverty alleviation.

"All the 832 once impoverished counties in China have got rid of poverty, and nearly 100 million poor rural residents in the country have shaken off poverty. China has achieved the poverty eradication target set out in the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development ahead of schedule," he said.

In order to dig deep into the great achievements to find out the secret of China's success, Mendo'o read about China's poverty alleviation policies and learned about the country's relevant measures, such as relocation of impoverished residents to more habitable places and the "pairing assistance" program under which developed provinces and cities provide assistance for less developed ones.

Through frequent visits across the country, Mendo'o has witnessed the tremendous changes in mountainous areas of China.

"In Guizhou, I saw bridges built among high mountains make travel easier for local people and help them embrace a better life; in northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur autonomous region, I learnt that the country has led local people in wind prevention and sand fixation endeavors, which has effectively reversed desertification and achieved a win-win situation for economic growth and environmental governance," he said.

"China's development experience is of global significance. The country's fight against poverty and people-centered development philosophy have offered precious inspiration to other countries, especially African countries," Mendo'o noted.

At first Mendo'o learned Chinese merely out of interest; and now he has become a China hand. Over the past years, he has engaged more and more in the efforts to enhance the friendship between Chinese and African youths.

He has co-founded the China-Africa Youth Federation with his friends and frequently taken part in exchange activities for Chinese and African youths like China-Africa Young Leaders Forum held by the International Department of the Central Committee of the CPC.

"I'm helping African youths get a better understanding of China. And I hope more Chinese youths will know better about Africa," Mendo'o said.

Noting that young people play a critical role in strengthening the friendly ties between China and Africa, Mendo'o stressed that he is willing to continue making contributions to promoting the friendship between the Chinese and African people.

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Aruti Aces B outfit's players celebrate a wicket when the squad took part in one of the 2022 Dar es Salaam Cricket (DC) SiSi Cup 30 Overs Division B League ties that took place in the city. PHOTO: COURTESY OF ACES CRICKET CLUB

Aruti Aces B outfit storm into 2022 DC SiSi Cup 30 Overs Division B League semis

By Guardian Reporter

ARUTI Aces B side has stormed into 2022 Dar es Salaam Cricket (DC) SiSi Cup 30 Overs Division B League's semi-final after commanding a resounding seven-wicket win over Sandy's Super Strikers in the last eight stage's clash played recently.

The encounter's eventual winners made it to the last four in style whilst missing so many frontline batsmen and bowlers that helped them hold sway in other duels.

Sandy's Super Strikers had won the toss and elected to bat, scoring a formidable 152 runs all out in 29 overs of the 30-over clash.

There was some real good batting contribution by Mohammed Ali, Wasif Ali, and Harivadan Patel that made their way back with two-digit figures.

Harivadan was the top run-getter having notched 54 runs, blasting seven boundaries and a sixer in his stint.

Wasif was five runs short of a half-century in his 43-ball spell, which ended with the performer cracking five boundaries and six.

The top-order cricketer in the process made up for the flaws of opening cricketer Anand Monani that had endured a dismal showing.

Monani that is as well Sandy's Super Strikers' skipper was dismissed early on without a run to his name falling victim to Aruti Aces B squad's Jatin Prajapati bowling tricks.

Opener Mohammed chipped in with his 16 runs, whilst Anwar Mohamed slotted in at middle order and ended with 10 runs to his name.

The in-form Abhijit ended with a four-wicket haul for Aruti Aces B side in five overs a 5.40 economy rate.

Fellow bowlers, Emmanuel Peter and Prajapati compounded Sandy's Super Strikers' batting unit woes as the duo registered two wickets apiece.

Aruti Aces B squad ultimately managed to win the quarterfinal in some style, given the performers, in response, completed the chase in 23.1 overs.

Credit ought to go to the batting unit's openers Raza Vakil and Imran Khan that picked up the chase in the right mode.

Khan that posted 55 runs not out looked extremely relaxed, batting confidently from the very first over and striking Sandy's Super Strikers opening bowler for two boundaries.

The opening performer was very much complimented by Vakil that was equally ruthless.

Vakil struck Sandy's Super Strikers bowlers hard and his shots were awesome coming off the willow as the cricketer hit the cover drive.

The opening batsman hit Sandy's Super Strikers bowler Abhishek Rathod and the straight drive between long off and long on was classic.

Vakil eventually did run out of steam but he had already set the chase well.

Aruti Aces B outfit is blessed with quite a few gifted players like Vakil.

After the cricketer's dismissal, in came Raza Baloch that went on to strike a big six off Sandy's Super Strikers' Tejas Patel delivery.

Baloch scored a quick 20 runs, giving company to Khan that also hit a clean six above long off that was akin to a simple flick of the wrist.

The clash was eventually won by Aruti Aces B squad in 23.1 overs for the loss of four wickets.

Khan returned not out and was in the end adjudged the best player of the match.

The DC-organized showdown has brought together 16 teams that have been grouped into four.

Group A has Aga Khan SC B, Caravans Cricket Club B, Dar Black Panthers, and Malabar Cricket Club (MCC).

Shree Kutchi Leva Patel SC (SKLPSC) B, Sandy's Super Strikers, Patel Brotherhood A side, and Tamil Nadu Sports Club form Group B.

Group C constitutes Strikers B, Lions Castilla, K&P Constructions side, and Estim A squad.

Aruti Aces B side, Union SC, Upanga SC B, and Gymkhana B outfit are the clubs that make Group D

Biashara United relegation a window into potentials of local clubs, pitfalls

By Correspondent John Kimbuta

SEVERAL Premier League analysts appear to have had a difficult time absorbing the factual relegation of Biashara United from the top flight into what is known as the Championship.

The difficulty arises from the fact that the club did well in the previous season to appear among the top four, and given the sequence of good performance of then-champion Simba SC, participated in the second tier of the continental championship.

They put up a good performance in the CAF Confederation Cup tournament.

One pundit for instance tried to map out what Al Ahly Tripoli would either feel or react to hearing that their opponents in the Confederation Cup, who gave them a difficult time, had been relegated from the Premier League here.

The Libyan side is likely to be astonished at the news, which for once makes it that the Premier League is an especially difficult tournament if hard hitters of the previous year failed to put up a sufficient fight to remain in the tournament.

But the likely difficulty of the league does not explain everything, as it is also likely that there was vision adjustment, even a sentiment of relaxation.

For starters, Biashara United was founded in 1990 as Police Mara and in 2013 it was transformed into a civilian club side, renamed Biashara United Mara (BUM), having moved from the fourth division in 1995 to the First Division in 1997, which



Biashara United's players participate in training in Mara to shape up for the 2021/22 Premier League and CAF Confederation Cup fixtures. PHOTO: COURTESY OF BIASHARA UNITED

became the Premier League the following year.

The change in the pattern of ownership and management of the club had to do with changing rules, especially in the continental and world federation, FIFA, limiting institutional clubs to one.

In that sense, there is one police team and one prisons team, and in the military there is a National Service side, to avoid any duplication.

This situation brings up the first enigma, of why a club that rose rapidly to the Premier League, did well to come to the top four in the 2020/21 season to feature in the second-tier continental tourney, could lose bearings so much as to be relegated.

In the absence of any 'investigative reporting on the ins and outs of what happened at the club, a few pertinent aspects are observable from the outside, and it would appear that the key issue was on the business side.

It appears that the club never settled for the big time, just managed to be in the Premier League, and at times showed nervous weaknesses in CAF appearances.

One significant factum in the record is that the club side changed

their head coach from Francis Baraza to Patrick Odhiambo, both Kenyan tacticians, with the second recruitment at that time being an assistant coach at hard hitters Kakamega Homeboys.

Before exiting the side in May 2021, the former coach had to project that the side opens their account for the new season by facing debutants Gwambina FC on September 6, seeking to put into play a different strategy.

As he left with a month or so to the conclusion of the season, and the side clinched the fourth position at the last minute, his departure cost the club.

He was offered the same position at Kagera Sugar, a club with more assured financial backing, and within weeks his impact at the new club was visible to all and sundry.

He was named Coach of the Month for January 2022 in the NBC Premier League, while his former side, picking an assistant from the other side of the border not far from their Musoma home base, was going downhill, which implies that their earlier good performance was that they a good coach.

As the market rules, he was soon taken away by others, and their efforts to find a substitute did not

hit on a lucky find as it was in their earlier recruiting hit.

The better coach effect was visible in other teams, not just in the local Premier League but everywhere, while recruiting such a coach is one thing - as one can't tell who may succeed and who might find it more difficult.

Retaining the coach for several years, or registering initial success in the first year is not the easiest thing around.

In the past season, Simba SC had mixed results, Yanga was on cloud nine.

This way, it is not easy to blame Biashara United for botching up the Premier League season, as they definitely couldn't have changed their resource base too rapidly to obtain some speedy forwards in the short registration window, or cut their second coach tenure within a couple of months after coming in, etc.

Depending on their resource base they could climb back to the Premier League, but experience shows that the 'conference' is brimming with experienced 'starters,' the way Ifeju SC has bounced back to the top flight.

It just needs to reorganize itself, but with other misdemeanours haunting them, it will be tough.



Gymkhana Cricket Club's players in a group photo after lifting the 2022 Dar es Salaam Cricket (DC) SiSi Cup 40 Overs Division A1 League's silverware with four-wicket victory over Strikers Cricket Club in the final which took place recently. PHOTO: COURTESY OF DAR ES SALAAM CRICKET

Simba new coach set to be involved in analyzing new signings

By Correspondent Ismail Tano

SIMBA SC Chairman Murtaza Mangungu has dismissed some comments from some Tanzania football analysts about the arrival of the club's new head coach Zoran Manojlovic, at a time the management has already roped in some players.

Manojlovic was announced as head coach of Simba SC on Tuesday, one day before the 2021/22 season came to a close, with the side announcing the departure of Zambian midfielder Rally Bwalya and center back Pascal Wawa from Côte d'Ivoire.

Mangungu dismissed the analysts'

comments about the Serbian coach after being interviewed by reporters earlier Friday.

The Simba official disclosed: "There has been a lot of talks that the coach comes to the team and then finds leaders deciding to bring in players."

"Let me just assure you that our new coach will be well involved in analyzing the current players, then he will see who stays and we will also register by listening to him and advising him next time."

"We can't just register players at a high cost and then just leave them, we want fans to be satisfied with the club and not just make decisions be-

cause we have that opportunity."

"Coach Manojlovic will participate in the registration of all players at Simba SC."

Simba SC has already announced Zambian forward Moses Phiri, who will be part of its squad for next season's Premier League and CAF Champions League, which is scheduled to officially start in August.

In another development, Mangungu backed the club's Chief Executive Officer Barbara Gonzalez, who is lately at war with some of the club's stakeholders.

Barbara has been widely accused of being the obstacle to Simba SC de-

velopment.

The situation became apparent after the departure of the club's former Head of Information and Communication, Haji Manara.

Barbara as well faced criticism from the club Directors' Board member, Kassim Dewji, that was recently interviewed by a radio station.

Ghanaian midfielder Bernard Morrison also cited the CEO as the source of his departure from Simba SC, particularly after the footballer refused to sign a new contract which he claimed was of little interest to him.

Mangungu said Simba SC's leadership had heard many complaints and

ridicule against the club's Chief Executive Officer but everyone accusing the official was asked to produce evidence that has not been put forward.

In an interview with reporters last Friday, Mangungu queried: "When you say Barbara has shortcomings, what are the shortcomings?"

"Now you say she has limitations and you do not mention them, how will we know?"

"Morrison says he is not satisfied, there are places he can file complaints, there are TFF, Soccer Players Union, CAF, and even FIFA."

"The contract is two-sided, there is

a player's side and Simba."

"Barbara is the executor of board's order, she does not do (activities) on her own, everything she oversees is the board's decision, her accusers may have blamed her based on her gender."

"If we test her on her success, Barbara is very successful, we clinched Premier League top honour, Federation Cup trophy and we even did well in the continental stage."

"Simba also sold players, this season has not been good, if you say it is not enough due to this, it is not right because there are ups and downs."

Ronaldo asks for United exit to play UCL - sources

LONDON

CRISTIANO Ronaldo has made an official request to leave Manchester United this summer so he can continue to play Champions League football next season, sources have confirmed to ESPN.

The news was first reported by The Times. The Portugal captain returned to United a year ago for a second stint at Old Trafford and scored 18 goals in 30 league appearances, but the team finished sixth in the Premier League and did not qualify for next season's elite European club competition.

Ronaldo, 37, has a contract with the Red Devils until June 2023, with an option to extend it for a further year, but has now asked to be transferred.

Sources have told ESPN that United have informed Ronaldo that he is not available for transfer this summer and that they expect him to stay for the remaining year of his contract.

ESPN understands that Chelsea, Bayern Munich and Napoli, among other clubs, are interested in adding Ronaldo.

Despite his stated respect and love for United and their fans, the former Real Madrid star feels he needs the motivation of playing in the Champions League in the last stage of his career. Ronaldo is said to view playing in the Champions League and competing for major trophies as essential.

United has appointed Ajax head coach Erik ten Hag to replace interim coach Ralf Rangnick, and during his unveiling last month, he said that Ronaldo was part of his plans for the coming season.

Ronaldo first joined United from Portuguese side Sporting CP in 2003.

He scored 118 goals in 292 games before leaving for Real Madrid in 2009, where he remained until joining Juventus in 2018.

Ronaldo failed to win the Champions League with Juve in his three seasons with the Turin giants, but he lifted the trophy with United in 2008 and four times with Madrid. He was the top scorer in Serie A for the last two seasons he was in Turin and scored 101 goals in 134 appearances.

The former Real Madrid star has won 32 titles in his career, including seven league titles and five Champions Leagues.

He captained Portugal to Euro 2016 glory and the 2019 UEFA Nations League.

A five-time Ballon d'Or winner, Ronaldo is the men's world-record holder for most goals scored (117) in internationals.

He is set to captain Portugal at the World Cup later this year.

(Agencies)

Barcelona chief: I will do everything to keep De Jong

BARCELONA

BARCELONA president Joan Laporta has insisted the club have no intention of selling Manchester United target Frenkie de Jong this summer.

Sources told ESPN earlier this week that United had agreed an initial €65 million fee with Barca for the Dutch midfielder, though it was said that there were still "significant" hurdles to overcome.

De Jong, 25, is United manager Erik ten Hag's top summer target but he is also a target of other clubs.

"Frenkie de Jong is a Barca player and he is considered as one of the best players in the world," Laporta told reporters on Saturday. "We know other clubs want him, not just [Manchester] United and we have no intention to sell him. I have a feeling that the player wants to stay."

"He is happy at Barca and I'm going to do everything I can for Frenkie to remain."

De Jong is under contract with Barca until June 2026 and has said publicly that he would like to stay at the Camp Nou.

Barca paid €75m for De Jong when they signed him from Ajax in 2019 with another €11m in potential add-ons.

United are looking to bolster their midfield after the departures of Paul Pogba and Nemanja Matic at the end of the season. Matic has joined Roma on a free transfer while Pogba will join Juventus.

Barca sold 10% of their domestic television rights to Sixth Street last week for €207.5m and sources told ESPN on Friday that they are hopeful of selling another 15% of their rights in order to further ease their perilous financial situation and raise up to €200m for transfers.

Barca's gross debt still stands at around €1 billion and they are operating within a LaLiga salary limit of -€144m, which is the only negative cap in the league. The limits will be updated later this summer.

Barca face stern competition to sign Brazilian winger Raphinha from Leeds United this summer. Chelsea are reportedly prepared to pay €60m for the Brazilian winger while Tottenham are also monitoring the situation.

"We have spoken to Leeds," Laporta said of Raphinha. "We know he is a player that would like to come to Barca but there are also other clubs interested." Laporta clarified that Raphinha's potential arrival to the Camp Nou would not stop Barca from attempting to keep Ousmane Dembele at the club.

"It wouldn't exclude Dembele because the coach [Xavi] sees them as compatible," he said.

Dembele's contract at Barca expired last month and he is a free agent.

(Agencies)

The Messi, Ronaldo era is over: How to work out the best players in the world

By Ryan O'Hanlon, ESPN.com writer

AWARDS are stupid, but we need awards. In the United States, awards are such a prominent aspect of sports culture that we've reached the point where we're now arguing over semantics. With the Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award given in all the major sports, there's no real agreed-upon definition. Does it go to the most important player? The most outstanding? The best? Of course, it says "valuable" in the name, but what even is value? Are we talking value provided on the court? In the locker room? To the franchise's overall open-market valuation?

Like I said, it's dumb, but it's important. Awards voting serves as a historical record. Look at the top 10 in MVP voting in any given season in any given sport and you'll have a pretty good sense of who the most important players were that year. The order of those players often won't make a ton of sense, but the group of players usually serves as an accurate cast of key characters. Same goes for the All-NBA teams and the NFL's All-Pro teams.

In soccer, we've got the Ballon d'Or, yes. But that is riddled with inconsistencies and the voting population isn't the most scrupulous. So many votes come down to a single game or two; people are swayed by rivalries, or the one time they saw that one player shine. Beyond the Ballon d'Or, most leagues have their Player of the Year (POTY) awards, but the processes are opaque and like in the Premier League, there's not a unanimously recognized single POTY award. In fact, there are more than one: Premier League POTY, Professional Football Association (PFA) Players' POTY, Football Writers' Association (FWA) POTY, PFA Fans' POTY.

Plus, these things are all skewed toward attackers and they don't have much of a place in the culture of the sport. Did you know that Antoine Griezmann and Cristiano Ronaldo have the same number of Spanish LaLiga Player of the Year wins? Didn't think so. They each have one; Lionel Messi has nine.

O'Hanlon: Why trades don't happen in soccer

However, there's a group of 14 European sports magazines -- two from both Germany and the Netherlands, plus one each from England, Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Russia, Belgium, Denmark, France, Hungary and Italy -- that have been maintaining a consistent process that produces an American-sports style historical record.

Every month, the members of European Sports Media (ESM) vote on a best XI across the continent, and after each season, they add up the number of appearances in Team of the Month to determine the Team of the Year. This website contains ESM data going all the way back to the 1995-96 season. So, what can it tell us?

The Messi-Ronaldo era is officially over



Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo had the awards scene sewn up, until now. (Agencies)

Messi has made the ESM Team of the Month 84 separate times, and the Team of the Year in 14 different seasons -- both of which are way more than anyone else. In second, for both, is Ronaldo, with 51 appearances and nine Team of the Year spots. No one else has made more than 34 appearances. If you can extricate yourself from the never-ending arguments between people with CR7 in their Twitter handles or pictures of Messi holding a baby goat as their avatar, those numbers paint a pretty good picture of the era we just lived through. Messi is the most dominant and consistent player of the past 30 years -- and no one else is close. Ronaldo is the second-most dominant and consistent player of the past 30 years -- and no one else is close.

In each of the previous 16 seasons, either Messi (14) or Ronaldo (9) has made the ESM Team of the Year. And then, this year happened. Neither Messi nor Ronaldo even made a single Team of the Month appearance.

The attackers who did:

- Karim Benzema (Real Madrid): 6
- Robert Lewandowski (Bayern Munich): 6
- Mohamed Salah (Liverpool): 5
- Vinicius Junior (Real Madrid): 4
- Kylian Mbappe (Paris Saint-Germain): 2
- Dusan Vlahovic (Juventus): 1
- Erling Haaland (Borussia Dortmund): 1
- Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang (Barcelona): 1
- Rafael Leao (AC Milan): 1
- Sadio Mane (Liverpool): 1

The three attackers who made the 2021-22 Team of the Year were Benzema, Lewandowski and Salah. You can't really argue about that, can you? Though someone will find a way...

To put a slightly finer point on it, the last time the ESM Team of the Year didn't feature either Messi or Ronaldo was in 2004-05. The team:

- GK: Petr Cech (Chelsea)
- DEF: Fabio Cannavaro (Juventus), Carles Puyol (Barcelona), John Terry (Chelsea)
- MID: Frank Lampard (Chelsea), Mark van Bommel (PSV), Deco (Barcelona), Ronaldinho (Barcelona)

The FW: Arjen Robben (Chelsea), Samuel Eto'o (Barcelona), Andriy Shevchenko (AC Milan)

Most of those guys are now managers, or coaches, or middling football executives. Ronaldinho recently spent time in a Paraguayan prison, where he won a suckling pig in a small-sided soccer tournament. Anyone else's back just seize up? No? Just me?

"Is Kevin De Bruyne the best midfielder of the modern era?"

Manchester City midfielder has made ESM's Team of the Month 24 times. That's more than all but five other players: Messi, Ronaldo, Roberto Carlos (34), Dani Alves (31) and Sergio Ramos (26). This past season, De Bruyne made five appearances -- more than any other midfielder. The two other members of the Team of the Year's midfield were Real Madrid's Luka Modric (4) and De Bruyne's teammate at Man City, Bernardo Silva (3). And the only other midfielders to make more than one appearance were Barcelona's Pedri and Liverpool's Thiago Alcantara.

Among the many things you might have noticed about the list of players with more appearances than KDB: none of them are midfielders. The five most selected midfielders after De Bruyne are:

- Xavi (Barcelona): 24
- Zinedine Zidane (Juventus/Real Madrid): 23
- Frank Lampard (Chelsea): 18
- Andres Iniesta (Barcelona): 18
- David Beckham (Man United, Real Madrid, AC Milan): 14

It might seem absurd to lump KDB in with some of those names -- and especially to put him ahead of them -- but I think these lists, in particular, do a really nice job of awarding a player for consistent excellence.

Rather than just looking at a player's performance after the season ends, which invariably leads evaluators to overweight what happened in big games and matches toward the end of the season, this process rewards you just as much for playing well in September as in April. And, well, except for the one year he was hurt, De Bruyne has been a comprehensively dominant player in each of the past eight seasons. In seven of those eight, he has averaged at least 0.70 non-penalty goals+assists per 90 minutes -- elite attacking production despite playing in the midfield.

He still lacks a true signature moment in a major tournament -- and he has yet to win the Champions League -- but he's the best midfielder of his generation. And even that might be underselling just how good he is.

Joao Cancelo and Trent Alexander-Arnold are both better than you think

Even if you think you've found true solitude, in a remote, snowy forest accessible only by helicopter and toboggan, if you so much as dare whisper the letters "TAA," someone will still inevitably pop out from behind a tree and a scream: "BUT CAN HE DEFEND?" Yet while Alexander-Arnold's reputation remains complicated for some, the ESM list has a pretty clear opinion on the Liverpool full-back: he's one of the best players in the world.

TAA has already made 11 total appearances in the Team of the Month -- tied with the likes of Marcelo, Neymar and Kaka. Six of those appearances came this season, which earned him his second appearance in the Team of the Year. There are 52 players with more total appearances than Alexander-Arnold, but they were all born at least four years before he was. If he keeps up his current pace, he's going to end his career right around where Roberto Carlos and Dani Alves are.

The youngest player ahead of TAA on the list is Manchester City's Cancelo, who turned 28 in May. He has made 12 appearances in the Team of the Month and has made the Team of the Year for two campaigns running. In fact, this season he led all players in Team of the Month appearances with seven. He didn't make the team in September or October, but he then ran the table from November through May.

Since the '95-96 season, just 17 other times has a player made the Team of the Month at least seven times in a season:

- Messi (Barcelona): 6
- Ronaldo (Real Madrid): 2

And then nine other players did it once: Virgin van Dijk (Liverpool, 2018-19); Roberto Carlos (Real Madrid, 1997-98); Ronaldo (Barcelona, 1996-97); John Terry (Chelsea, 2004-05); Carles Puyol and Ronaldinho (Barcelona, 05-06); Rio Ferdinand (Manchester United, 2007-08); Nemanja Vidic (Manchester United, 2010-11); Kevin De Bruyne (Manchester City 2017-18.)

There are five instances of a player hitting eight of the nine months: Messi (2010-11, 2017-18, 2018-19), Ronaldo (2011-12), and Roberto Carlos (1997-98). And

only twice has a player appeared in all nine teams of the month: Messi in 2011-12 and Van Dijk in 2018-19.

Van Dijk made the team again this year (four Team of the Month appearances); he has now made it in all three of his full seasons for Liverpool. What makes this kind of record-keeping particularly interesting is how it allows you to compare players across positions, across eras.

Van Dijk has 18 Team of the Month appearances, which ties him for 19th-most with Iniesta, Lampard and Shevchenko and puts him one behind Luis Suarez and the Brazilian Ronaldo. That's fun! Among center-backs, he's sixth -- after Terry, Gerard Pique and Puyol (22); Paolo Maldini (23); and Ramos (26).

"The media love Thibaut Courtois

The other center-back in the 2021-22 Team of the Year was Chelsea's Antonio Rudiger, who made the first three Team of the Month appearances of his career. And behind him in the theoretical formation is his new Real Madrid teammate, goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois, who did this in the Champions League final.

After the game, Courtois said: "Today I needed to win a final for my career, for all the hard work, to put some respect on my name, because I don't think I get enough respect. Especially in England." He's not quite a Kevin Durant-level Twitter power-user, but Courtois will pretty much like any tweet that anyone sends out about how good he is at saving a soccer ball. And while he might be right about the English media, ESM loves the guy.

Courtois has made two Team of the Year appearances in his career -- this past season, plus 2013-14 with Atletico Madrid -- and he has appeared in the Team of the Month 16 times. The only goalkeeper with more appearances is Juventus legend Gianluigi Buffon (17), who has been playing professional soccer for over 25 years.

Bayern's Manuel Neuer, meanwhile, is the only keeper with more Team of the Year appearances (3) than Courtois.

Perhaps the 30-year-old Belgium international doesn't get enough respect, but maybe he's just not looking for validation in the right places. The ESM list is far from perfect -- there should be a space carved out for defensive midfielders -- but it's better than anything else we have. It's time we all start using it.

Gwiji by David Chikoko



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Yanga complete clean sweep of trophies with Azam Sports Federation Cup triumph



Yanga's midfielder, Salum Abubakar (R), negotiates his way past his Coastal Union counterpart Vincent Abubakar when the squads faced off in the 2021/22 Azam Sports Federation Cup (ASFC) final in Arusha on Saturday. Yanga won 4-1 on penalties to lift the trophy. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

YOUNG Africans SC, alias Yanga, has completed a clean sweep of Tanzania's soccer competitions trophies this season after defeating Coastal Union in the Azam Sports Federation Cup final in Arusha on Saturday.

In all honesty, not many would have backed Coastal Union to stop Yanga even though this tournament is known for its upsets which have seen modest outfits beat the big

guns in the climax.

However, Coastal Union's head coach Juma Mgunda had confidently said his boys would go out to Sheikh Amri Abeid Stadium and give their all.

Coastal Union did just that as

both teams delivered an entertaining match, with no team sitting back and hoping to score on a counter.

The game was level at 2-2 after regulation times thanks to goals netted by Heritier Makambo and

Feisal Salum for Yanga and Abdul Suleiman 'Sopu' who scored a brace for Coastal Union.

Sopu completed his perfect hat trick which included a left foot, right foot, and header in the first extra time.

In a never say die attitude, winger Dennis Nkane equalized for Yanga in the second extra time quarter to make it a thrilling six-goal final.

The youngster who signed for Yanga from Biashara United did not get as much game time as he may have wanted in his half-season as a Yanga player but has now scored back-to-back goals.

The feat includes the equalizer that will be remembered as the pivotal moment that turned the tie, pushing the game into post extra time shootout.

Yanga eventually triumphed in the post-extra time shootout. The victory saw the Green and Yellow outfit complete a clean sweep of trophies in domestic football this season and win a treble.

They wrapped up their league campaign last with a

1-0 home victory over Mtibwa Sugar to finish unbeaten in their 28th Premier League title.

They had begun the campaign by defeating age-old rivals Simba SC 1-0 to lift the Community Shield.

It is undoubtedly one of the greatest seasons in Yanga history and head coach Nasreddine Nabi will now set his sights on a period of sustained dominance.

For now, the team will bask in being the best in Tanzania, and their fans will celebrate a stellar season for years to come.

Next season, Yanga and Simba SC will represent Tanzania in the CAF Champions League, and Azam FC and Geita Gold FC go into the second-tier CAF Confederation Cup.

Yanga also popularly known as 'Citizens' will start the next campaign as favourites to defend their three pieces of silverware, but it will no doubt be the CAF Champions League's Group Stage qualification that will be firmly on their radar.

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14:00 SKONGA (r)
14:30 Planet Bongo (r)
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15:30 AKILI & Me (r)
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17:00 SSELECT
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18:00 eNewz
18:30 Bongo Hit
19:00 EATV SAA 1
20:00 DADAZ (r)
21:00 5SPORTS LIVE
22:00 Zole Kuntu
23:00 Kurasa (r)
23:05 EATV SAA 1 (r)

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06:00 Supa Breakfast
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Ngorongoro Half Marathon returns in 2022, runners to race in September

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

AFTER a one-year hiatus, the annual Ngorongoro Half Marathon returns this year, with the race slated for September.

Organized by Meta Sports Promotions, under the new coordination of Market Access, this year's installment of the Ngorongoro Half Marathon is expected to attract at least 2000 participants, covering the terrains of Karatu and Ngorongoro districts.

The event, running for 14 years now, is scheduled to take place on a rather attention-commanding date of September 11. It will be held on a Sunday.

Meta Petro, the Director of Meta Sports, said the 2022 Ngorongoro Half Marathon comprises three major events.

"We have the main feature of the 21 kilometers Half Marathon, which gets flagged off at the Oloduare Gate," he revealed.

The Oloduare gate is the main entrance to both the Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Serengeti National Park when one travels from Arusha to the destinations.

Athletes will run from the Lodua Gate, down to Karatu Township, then onwards to the Rhotia Hill hamlet.

From Rhotia they will turn back to Karatu heading to the finishing point inside the Mazingira Bora grounds.

The other two shorter races of 5 kilometers and 10 kilometers will start at different spots in Karatu Town and also finish at Mazingira Bora grounds.

"Ngorongoro Half Marathon being an international marathon, we are working to improve the event and promote it further so that it may get the global limelight it deserves," George Damian Kohoye, one of the event promoters, stated.

Damian represents the Dar es Salaam-based Market Access, which deals with market research, events, promotions, consultancy, and general supplies, working also in Arusha and Mwanza cities.

Gabriel Geay from Talent Club of Arusha won the previous 2020 Ngorongoro Half Marathon, topping the men's category in completing the 21 kilometers race in one hour, four minutes, and 42 seconds.

Failuna Matanga also from Talent Club of Arusha, who covered the distance in one hour, 16 minutes, and three seconds, won in the women's category.

During the 2019 Ngorongoro Race, it was the Kenyan runner, Abraham Too who topped the event by running the distance in one hour, five minutes, and 59 seconds.

The event usually attracts athletes from Kenya, Uganda, and other regions of Tanzania.

In 2020 for the first time, a runner from Rwanda participated in the Ngorongoro Half Marathon.

Last year the event had to be skipped due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Rogath Steven, Arusha Regional Athletics Association's secretary-general, noted the Ngorongoro Half Marathon has been producing several athletes who are currently representing the country in international events overseas.

Steven mentioned some of the runners as Failuna, Fabian Joseph, Gabriel Geay, and Damien Christian.



Haji Manara

By Correspondent Michael

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TANZANIA Football Federation (TFF) has announced that its Ethics Committee will open proceedings against Young Africans' spokesman, Haji Manara, over allegations of gross misconduct during Saturday's Azam Sports Federation Cup final in Arusha.

Manara is reported to have used offensive language to TFF president

Wallace Karia before Yanga took on Coastal Union in the Federation Cup final which ended in a post-extra-time penalty shootout victory for the league champions.

In a short clip doing the rounds on social media, Manara is seen in a heated conversation with president Karia just before kick-off at Sheikh Amri Abeid Stadium.

On Sunday, Manara took to his Instagram page to comment on what had happened while denying

allegations of insulting the TFF president.

He insisted he would pursue legal action against those peddling false stories to ruin his reputation and tarnish his brand.

Later on, TFF through a press release confirmed Manara has been charged before the Ethics Committee for gross misconduct.

"The Secretariat of the Tanzania Football Federation (TFF) has filed a case against Young Africans club officer Haji Manara to the Ethics Committee for alleged misconduct," read the press release.

"The Ethics Committee through its Chairman has already been notified

of the complaint against Manara, so it will set a date for the hearing and the complainant will be notified."

"TFF reminds football family members that they are bound by the rules and regulations of the game, so they need to be careful in their actions and statements about football."

This is not the first time the former Simba SC spokesman finds himself in trouble.

Five years ago, the TFF independent Ethics Committee banned Manara from taking part in any football activity (administrative, sports, or any other) at both national and international levels for 12 months.

Manara was also fined 9m/- for

gross misconduct but was later on pardoned.

In August last year, Manara controversially crossed from Simba SC to Yanga claiming that he was being taken for granted by the former where he worked for more than seven years as the club's spokesperson.

The official disclosed: "I will work like a donkey, an institution becomes bigger because of the people and we are the people."

"Thank you Simba SC fans for supporting me when I was with you, but now it's time to support the best team in East and Central Africa," Manara said upon his unveiling at Jangwani Street side.



One of Celta Vigo Football Club's coaches drill Tanzania's local coaches at Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete Youth Park in Dar es Salaam last weekend. The Spanish Premier League club coaches are in Tanzania for 10-day session courtesy of Magnet Football Academy. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JOSEPH MCHEKADONA

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