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Egyptian firm for Dar vehicle, traffic flow scans

By Guardian Reporter

AN Egyptian technology firm, Go Plus, is gearing to conduct vehicle inspection and offer traffic management solutions in Dar es Salaam to reduce accidents and ease congestion.

Gassey El-Sayed, Go Plus CEO, said in an interview at the weekend that the planned investment arose from discussion the company's management held with President Samia Suluhu Hassan.

The meeting took place on the sidelines of the just-ended 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27), at the resort city of Sharm El Sheikh in Egypt.

The firm has been exploring opportunities in Tanzania and opted for vehicle inspections centres and road transport safety, using updated technology to modernise the services, he said.

The firm has similar investments in Ghana, Chad, Nigeria, Dubai and Saudi Arabia, organized on a public private partnerships (PPP), he said.

Taking up the company's services will help the government uplift revenue generation as is evident in other countries where the technology was set up, improving revenues by an average of 60 percent, he asserted.

The government will install vehicle inspection equipment countrywide to scan their eligibility to be on the road and if they meet environmental friendliness standards.

The firm was set up in Cairo in 2007, a multiproduct conglomerate in fertiliser manufacturing, and leather, apart from other innovations. At the moment it is contracted to supply equipment for the World Cup finals in Qatar, he stated.

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Discussions with the government were pursued for 18 months and the talks had largely been concluded during the president's brief visit to Sharm El Sheikh.

The government will recommend suitable areas for installation of the machines and the firm will establish industries to produce equipment for traffic flow revenue collection, he said.

While at the conference site, President Samia met host President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi in talks that reached accord related to enhancing collaboration in investments and trade. Improving the doing business environment and easing investments topped the agenda in the talks, officials noted.



Oryx marketing manager Peter Ndomba (in red T-shirt) presents a cylinder of cooking gas to an expectant mother from Rubanda ward in Serengeti District, Mara Region, yesterday. She received it on behalf of several of her colleagues. It was at a World Prematurity Day anniversary event organised by the Doris Mollel Foundation. The Day is marked as an opportunity to raise awareness on preterm birth challenges and shine a light on the risks and impacts faced by preterm infants and their families. Looking on (2nd-R) is Natural Resources and Tourism deputy minister Mary Masanja. Story on Page 2. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Govt expecting 8bn/- yearly from graphite exploitation

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By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE government expects to earn over \$3.6m (8.4bn/-) annually once the envisaged graphite mine at Mahenge in Ulanga District, Morogoro Region, starts operations.

Adolph Ndunguru, the Minerals permanent secretary, made this observation at a progress meeting with stakeholders of the Mahenge mining project, grouping the Minerals ministry, the mining commission, the Treasury Registrar's office, the revenue authority (TRA), TANESCO, the Tanzania-Zambia Railway, TanRoads and the Tanzania Ports Authority.

The amount is based on 51 per cent of the surplus from the investment whose total benefit to the national economy is projected at \$8.8bn over a period of 26 years.

The project results from an agreement with Black Rock Mining Ltd, Mahenge Resources Ltd (T) and Mahenge Resources Ltd (UK) inked last December 13, to jointly develop the graphite mine.

Under the framework agreement, the parties agreed to establish a joint venture company for the mining activity, setting up Faru Graphite Corporation, at a ceremony attended by President Samia Suluhu Hassan, where the minister, Dr Doto Biteko signed for the government.

The government has a 16 per cent free carried interest, a stake for which it deposits no capital, and the investor, Black

US magazine hands President Samia its transformational leadership award

By Guardian Reporter

PRESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan has won the Transformational Leadership Award for the 2022 edition of African Muzik Magazine Awards (AFRIMMA). Dr. Hassan Abbas, the Culture, Arts and Sports permanent secretary, who attended the ceremony, received the award on behalf of the president, where the organisers said it in recognition of the president's contribution to the arts and culture industry since taking office.

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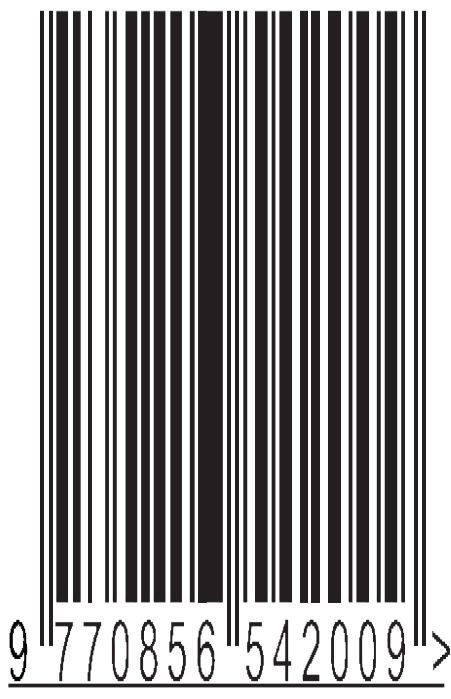
The 9th edition of the music award and festival was held at Gilley's Southside Ballroom in Dallas, capital of Texas in the United States.

“President Samia has set an example in leadership for others to follow and notably impacted the entertainment scene in Tanzania,” AFRIMMA said in a statement.

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VP: Have Tanga port expanded by April

By Guardian Reporter

VICE President Dr Philip Mpango has tasked the Tanzania Ports Authority to make sure projects for improving Tanga port are completed by next April.

A VPO statement said yesterday that the VP issued this instruction when inspecting project work at berth no 2 and ongoing deepening of the port from three meters to 13 meters.

It is essential for the port to set high standards of operation to attract users, enabling the facility to operate profitably when larger

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vessels dock with ease, he said. The port manager was directed to sort out complaints raised by traders, including cargo clearance delays compared with other ports in the region. These shortcomings push traders to use neighbouring port

facilities and thus deny the country substantial revenues, he stated. He likewise directed TCRA to enable access to relevant documents in the ongoing investigations on the fire outbreak at revenue warehouse. There is need for in-depth investigations to find those involved, contributing loss of cargo in the warehouse, he stated, similarly asking TRA officials to plug loopholes in revenue collection and boost revenues without harassing traders. He asked the regional defence and security organ and other state bodies to work together to find

solutions to various challenges at the port, along with clamping down on the drugs trafficking, smuggling, illegal fishing and migrant trafficking. He urged the regional commissioner to oversee responses to audit queries raised by the Controller and Auditor General (CAG). They must respond as quickly as possible to clamp down on embezzlement of public funds, he emphasized. Tanga port improvement is projected to cost 429bn/-, boosting the port's handling of cargo to three million tons annually from the present 750,000 tonnes, he added.

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Rock Mining, retains 84 per cent shares in the joint venture, Faru Graphite Corp.

Two months ago Faru Graphite Corp. was handed the mining license, enabling the project to enter the development stage, envisaging that at full operation the project will create over 1,000 direct job opportunities.

The project is timely as it has the potential to maximise graphite exploitation advantages in the global market where graphite is used in renewable energy technologies, such as solar panels.

An online entry says graphite is resistant to extreme heat, "so it is perfect for the crucibles and moulds used to cast the silicon in solar panels, and works as a heat shield and thermal insulator."

The meeting sought to bring the relevant stakeholders to the same operating framework to ensure alignment on the conduct of various aspects of the project in the national interest, the ministerial executive noted.

Alimiya Osman, the Faru Graphite CEO, said that when the project kicks off, the government is projected to earn up to 800m/- a day through its 16 per cent stake John Vries, the Graphite Mining executive chairman, said that the framework agreement enables the government to secure project benefits through a combination of dividends, taxes and duties.

The company's commitment involves the purchase of goods and services, supply of electricity, rail haulage work and extensive use of port services, he said.

Key facilities and infrastructure to be set up for the project include rail transport from Ifakara to the port of Dar es Salaam via the Tanzania-Zambia railway.

Other facilities are access to land at Ifakara for a railway siding to Tazara line, power supply to the mining site, along with suitable tarmac road from Ifakara to the mining site, he said.

Confirmation of the tax framework will be sought during the construction of the mine as set out in the framework agreement, along with the resettlement and compensation exercise, he added.



Natural Resources and Tourism deputy minister Mary Masanja (C) seeks explanation in Dar es Salaam at the weekend concerning a baby with disability said to have taken part in a tourism promotion bonanza held at the Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority offices in the city's Mabwepande suburb. Photo Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

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defunct Tanzania Music Award plus initiating the revamp of the copyright management system. It provides artists with greater access to proceeds from the use of their work, an initiative that "has left an indelible mark" on the country's

music industry. The organizers also hailed the president for taking a lead role as a tour guide, spending eight days out of office to record the now celebrated documentary, 'Tanzania: The Royal Tour' with CBS travel editor Peter Greenberg. President Samia becomes the third African president and the first African lady

president to win the award after it was in 2015 handed to the former president of Botswana, Lt Gen. Ian Seretse Khama. In 2017 the award was handed to the former Nigerian president, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo. Tanzanian stars Zuhura Othman Soudo or Zuchu along with Raymond Shaban Mwakyusa alias

Rayvanny were named East African artists of the year. The award event was dubbed 'This is Africa' to celebrate the stellar feats that African music artists have achieved in the past year. "Crossing boundaries with music has always been the fuel behind AFRIMMA awards," the organisers

noted, asserting their consistent uplifting of African music on the world stage. "We recognize the time for Africa is now and the greatness still to come from African music. Therefore we are set to create historic memories this year," they said in a message on the magazine website.

Firm donates gas cylinders, stoves to promote clean cooking solutions

By Guardian Correspondent, Serengeti

AS part of activities to mark World Prematurity Day, Oryx Energies Tanzania has donated 200 gas cylinders and its stoves to the Doris Mollé Foundation to make them accessible and promote clean cooking solutions.

The gas stoves were handed over yesterday to pregnant women in Serengeti District, Mara Region during an event to celebrate the day at Rubanda ward.

The function was attended by various government leaders including Deputy Minister for Health Dr Godwin Mollé, Deputy Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism, Mary Masanja and Deputy Minister for Home Affairs, Jumanne Sagini.

In her address, Deputy Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism, Marry Masanja said it was encouraging to see

stakeholders such as Oryx Energies Tanzania supporting efforts to promote clean cooking energy through the Doris Mollé Foundation.

"Provision of the stoves to expectant mothers will promote environmental conservation. Women especially those in rural areas spend hours looking for firewood, but with the gas stoves they will now spend their time on other economic activities," said the Deputy Minister, noting the gas company is among the first firms in the country to come up with cleaner cooking technologies.

Masanja added that using clean energy for cooking supports the efforts of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism in protecting the environment.

She said available statistics show that 90 percent of the energy used in cooking is not clean such as charcoal and wood, thus damaging the environment.

"When we conserve the environment; we also promote tourism which in the end sees the government getting money which is taken back to the community in various projects," she added.

She called upon companies and stakeholders involved in the production of clean cooking energy to consider lowering the price of gas to enable many people to use it.

Deputy Minister for Health, Dr Godwin Mollé commended various efforts by the government in improving the health of mothers and children. She applauded the Doris Mollé Foundation for supporting women with premature babies, thus making them live healthier.

"A lot has been done by the government; to celebrate the World Prematurity Day, President Samia Suluhu Hassan handed over 20m/- to the Doris Mollé Foundation and another 50m/- for procurement of needed equipment for the

children," he remarked.

"Clean energy for cooking will reduce damage to the environment. We all know the importance of the environment in our daily lives. Changes that occur in our environment somehow contribute to pregnant women giving birth to premature babies," he said.

Earlier, Marketing Manager from Oryx Company, Peter Ndomba said they have decided to lead the way in promoting clean cooking energy by providing gas cylinders and stoves to the foundation which will distribute them to pregnant women in Serengeti District.

Ndomba said since the company started business in Tanzania in 1999, its main agenda has been to protect the environment and the health of women who mostly spend time cooking for their families. He said the decision to participate in the national celebrations to mark World Prematurity Day is geared to demonstrate their

commitment to promoting clean energy in cooking.

"It is our belief that women will use most of their time to care for their newborns instead of looking for firewood. Using gas in cooking will make both women and children healthier," added Ndomba as he commended the government for leading the way in promoting cleaner energies.

The Foundation's Director, Doris Mollé said she had earlier contacted the company for the gas cylinders to help mothers with premature babies in rural areas.

"I am thankful to the company that today we handed over the gas cylinders to expectant mothers in Serengeti. It was my dream to see them using clean cooking energy," she said.

World Prematurity Day is celebrated on November 17th. This year's theme is 'A parent's embrace: a powerful therapy. Enable skin-to-skin contact from the moment of birth.'

Dr Rose Rwakatare is now CCM parents' wing regional chair

By Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

THE Director of St Mary's School, Dr Rose Rwakatare, has been elected as CCM parent wing chairperson in Morogoro Region.

The election was held in the region over the weekend and election supervisor Hassan Nyange, said Dr Rwakatare got (413) votes, the second winner Yusuf Kimwaga (156), the third winner Happy Masawe (66) and Milkel Mansuet got (12) votes.

Speaking after the election, Dr Rwakatare commended the elected members for the victory and promised to work hard to take the CCM wing to another level.

"I congratulate you for this victory and I came to realize that you are good people, I commend the supervisor of this election which ended successfully but what am asking is to let us work together to take the wing to another level. We need it to be vibrant like other CCM organs," she said.

"I promise that as the new chairperson I will be

the dot.com chairperson and my speed will be 5G we don't want to be lazy when it comes to people's development and I will work and collaborate with other parties leaders to make sure we go to another level," she said.

Speaking after the announcement of winners, the election supervisor Hassan Nyange, urged the defeated candidates to appreciate what has happened and move on and collaborate with elected leaders.

"This is an election, stand up and organise yourself for the coming election, don't give up and don't be jealous of elected leaders but we need to see your collaboration to make things move smoothly," he said.

"When you lose an election you don't die, respect the situation, life goes on and we don't want this election to be the source of conflict among our party here in Morogoro... who has won the election don't celebrate too much in a way that will cause chaos in our party," he said.

Ministry allots 100 farms to teaching of herders on modern livestock keeping

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

THE Livestock and Fisheries Ministry has allocated 100 livestock farms to teach herders on better livestock keeping practices.

Abdallah Ulega, the Livestock and Fisheries Minister made the disclosure at the weekend at the 8th Annual Meeting of the River Basins Board (RBB) taking place here.

Ulega said the aim of the livestock farms is to teach herders and other livestock keepers to stop shifting their animals from place to place, the practice that destroys the environment, and instead employ a small area for modern livestock keeping practices.

He added that the farms will be established simultaneously with animal feed farms to avoid wanton herding that

destroys the environment including water sources.

The minister said already two tonnes of quality seeds for fodder at the Uyole Centre of Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI-Uyole) for use by the herders to improve the health of their livestock including cattle.

He added that the efforts aim to increase the availability of better animal

breeds and fodder for boosting the country's beef sector.

"The ministry is among sectoral ministries implementing strategies against the country's water scarcity, and rampant animal grazing that destroys water sources hence in FY 2022/23 we have mobilised ourselves to provide education to livestock keepers to adopt modern livestock keeping as well

Power rationing will come to an end by 2025, declares TANESCO

By Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

THE Tanzania Electricity Company (TANESCO) has assured the general public that power rationing will completely come to an end by 2025 due to the strong strategies put in place to achieve the goal.

The company's Director General, Maharage Chande made the statement in Dar es Salaam over the weekend when speaking to members of the Tanzania Editors Forum (TEF) on the challenges and successes they have made since he took office a year ago.

Chande said power rationing in Tanzania will remain a history because the company has strong strategies including finding new sources of electricity production instead of depending on the current sources.

He said that in the first three months in the office, they took time to organise themselves so that they can

be aware of challenges, opportunities and strategies for using the available opportunities to solve the existing challenges.

Chande mentioned other important areas such as customer care, strategic projects, the efficiency of the company, fundraising, avoiding all risk indicators in daily operations and strengthening communications between the company and its clients.

He said after the completion of the first phase, they came up with a second phase which is the implementation of all that was identified in the first phase including increasing the number of clients and finding more sources of electricity production.

"In this sector, there is one thing called energy mix which means that you must have various sources of electricity production, it is a risk to rely on a single source and for example, if you rely on water sometimes when the drought came you may be in danger

and to avoid this you must work hard to have multiple sources and this year we expect Megawati 185 from Kinerezi I to enter into the national grid," Chande said.

Speaking about the electricity in Kigoma, Chande said before the region was connected to the national grid, it was spending 36 million per day about 6bn/per month for generators in electricity production.

Chande said they decided to shut down generators and connect them to the national grid because it is very expensive to run through generators but if there are technical challenges, the company engineers will work on them and everything will be okay.

He said the use of gas in power production has been

increasing since 2010 adding that the aim is to make sure the company continues to use it because it is predictable compared to water.

He mentioned another expected project Rusumo which will start production and connect to the national grid by December this year or January 2023 something which will increase power to 1,900 Megawatts in this financial year.

"In the year 2023/2024, we expect to implement a project in Kishapu Shinyanga and we are in a good stage of tender evaluation, we also expect others in Manyoni - Singida, Zuzu Dodoma and Mafia. To make this successful, we have decided to improve the welfare of our staff and motivate them to work hard," he



Information, Communications and Information Technology minister Nape Nnauye (L) pictured in Dar es Salaam on Thursday presenting the Best Taxpayer Award to Barrick Gold's Country manager (Finance and Administration) Melkiory Ngido. It was at a Tanzania Revenue Authority event. Looking on is tax manager Judith Chamba. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

73 TASAF beneficiaries in Chemba District venture into income-generating projects for livelihood sustainability

By Polycarp Machira, Chemba

AT LEAST 73 beneficiaries of the Tanzania Social Action Fund (TASAF) in Chemba district, Dodoma region have established additional income-generating projects for livelihood sustainability.

The residents of MakaMaka village in the district have come to terms with the reality that TASAF's conditional cash transfer programme that they have been benefiting might at one point come to an end, thus the need for another plan for survival.

Through deductions on their remittances, the group has managed to save a total of over 1.8 mn/-, spending 1,860,000/- on the purchase of a posho mill, which will, in turn, give them money.

Despite the financial gains expected from the project that is yet to start, it will also save the village residents the struggle to get milling service some seven kilometres away.

Speaking during a familiarisation tour by TASAF officials and media in the district recently, the group chairperson, Stella Joachim noted that the group members had several ideas for projects but settled on the posho mill.

"After getting training on entrepreneurship and financial training provided by TASAF, we embarked on plans to start a bigger project in addition to individually owned small projects at household levels," she said.

According to the team leader, they have formed a committee that will see the day-to-day running and management of the project and report to the members of the group.

She said the urge to start the project was high and the beneficiaries agreed to have deductions on the TASAF money that they get after every two months. With the guidance of the Ward Extension Officer, Amina Mohamed, they bought the posho mills and constructed a building to install it.

Amina told the visiting team that the group, without a push from anywhere chose the project after she had been guided on the plans and procedures to do so.

"I saw it as a good project bearing in mind the long distance they travel for milling services and it will also help them generate income that they will eventually share," she noted.

Iddi Ibrahim, one of the TASAF beneficiaries and members of the group expressed hope that the project will help them in the near future, more so once the conditional cash transfer programme ends.

The 78 years old father of three children who were enrolled in the programme in 2014, getting 36,000/- after every two months has achieved quite a lot and is very happy about TASAF.

He started by buying five chickens which later reproduced and when he sold them, he bought two goats. Using money from TASAF, he managed to till 12 hectares of land, planting crops that he later sold and bought cows.

Currently, he owns ten cows, several goats and a chicken. He gets at least three litres of milk from

the cows of which he sells two litres, leaving one for family use.

Another group member, Mustapha Ally, who is also a beneficiary of the conditional cash transfer programme had this to say, "I endured a long period of sickness and it is only through TASAF money that I managed to get a community health fund (CHF) card for treatment."

He said the CHF card helped fund treatment for his ten-year-old son who sustained a fractured hand while playing. The father of six children explained that he is able to meet school needs for the children because of TASAF.

He is also a sunflower farmer who by tilling his five-hectare farm has managed to buy two bulls and an ox plough and now provides ploughing services to Neighbours at a fee.



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 - d) Clients name
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Qualification Criteria

Reference No.	Description	Qualification Criteria
MM060/2022	<p>Package: Design and Supply of Crushing Plant Including Individual Equipment (650 TPH, P80 < 18MM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Primary Apron Feeder 1500 x 9050, Qty – 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cast Manganese Steel Construction • Electromechanical Drive • Sprockets: AISI 8630 Cast & Annealed • Traction Wheels: AS2074/L6A-1 • Carrying Rollers: High Strength Steel • Return Rollers: High Strength Steel • Head Shaft: AS1444-4140HT • Tail Shaft: AS1443-1045 • Gearbox Drive, including Oil Lubrication system and Forced Cooling • Control Panel: SS316, IP66 ✓ Vibrating Grizzly Screen with Elliptical Motion Inclined, Qty – 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single deck with three integral stepped mounted grizzly sections with diverging finger bars • 1,2 m long feed plane with wearing liners in abrasion resistant steel, hardness HB 360-440, thickness 16/8 mm for bottom/ side plates • Fabricated Grizzly sections from Hardox 500, minimum T= 50mm • Base mounts complete with steel coil spring • Bottom mounted oil lubricated vibrating mechanism. 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(+ 50 mm behind stationary jaw plate) • Manual refill pump for the automatic bearing lubrication ✓ Cone Crushers (F100 < 300mm), with CSS < 32mm with Feed Bin (124m3) and Vibrating Pan Feeder, Qty - 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cast manganese steel crushing liners. • Fabricated steel sub-base frame with integral motor mounting frame complete with motor slide rails. • Anti-vibration mounting pads. • Hydraulic adjustment of closed side setting (CSS). • Automated Control system to manage and optimize Crusher Performance. • Automatic hydraulic tramp iron release dump valve • Bronze bushings and non-contact seals. • Electric motor, V-belts and pulleys • Lubricating system including oil immersion heaters, oil pump, air fan oil cooler, adjustable pressure relief valve, oil filter, oil tank with filtration system and interconnecting hoses and piping to crusher. • Hydraulic power unit including pump, oil tank, control valves, filter/breather, accumulator, electrical connection box, local control box and interconnecting hoses and piping to crusher. • Feed Bin (124m3 Live Capacity) for collective of 3 x Secondary Crushers ✓ Double Deck Rectangular Vibrating Screens (F100 < 300mm), Qty – 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • complete with screening panels, vibrator motors, vibration isolation mounts, rubber skirts, linear / Elliptical motion Inclined 0-10° Screen to receive Primary Crushed Product • Vibrating Pan Feeders with variable inclination, wearing liners in abrasion resistant steel, hardness min HB 360-440, thickness 20/10mm (Bottom/sides). Bottom rubber lined with 50mm rubber. • Feed chute with Dust Encapsulation, with integrated feeder suspension and adjustable gate for bed height. Supply of screen spring base plates (i.e., foot mount plates). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Interested Supplier to submit company profile with experience in the Design, Manufacturing, and supply crushing plant including individual equipment's (650 TPH, P80 < 18MM) ii. Should have executed at least two similar designs and for Gold Mine Application in the last 5 years from closing date of EOI and out of which at least one should have been in successful operation for a period not less than one year as on the date of closing of EOI iii. Supplier to be able to integrate design requirements and dimensioning with third parties iv. Commercial Proposal (Prices quotes) to be submitted and should include cost of Equipment, export packaging, commission spares and two years maintenance spares v. Standards and codes: Supplier's Works shall conform to the current and applicable South African Standards. Alternatively, where no South African Standard exists, work shall conform to the most current and applicable British or ISO Standard vi. Duty: Equipment shall be suitable for continuous operation, 24 hours per day, all year round vii. Noise levels: Maximum acoustic emission levels from any equipment are 83 dBA (75 preferred), measured one meter from the source in accordance with the methods laid down in SANS Standards viii. Shop assembly and test running of all supplied Equipment ix. All fasteners (8.8 Grade), gaskets, packers, shims and any other items necessary for site assembly x. Electrical requirements – power and control voltages - HV Power System: 6.6kV ±10%, 50 Hz ±2%, 3 phase, impedance earthed. Low Voltage: 0 415V ±10%, 50 Hz ±2%, 3 phase, solidly earthed. 240V ±10%, 50 Hz ±2%, single phase, solidly earthed. Control Voltage: 110 Volt AC. PLC digital inputs: 110 Volt AC - Panels to have "dry" or "volt-free" contacts. Analogue Inputs: 24VDC, 4-20 mA Sinking. Analogue Outputs: 24VDC, 4-20 mA Sourcing. All electrical components shall conform to SANS 10142-1 xi. Surface protection and painting to Supplier standard paint specification xii. Lead Time for delivery of equipment xiii. Supply commissioning spares & 1 year of wear components xiv. Warranty & Guarantee period to be specified xv. Provision of qualified personnel for supervision of erection, commissioning and post commissioning servicing of the Equipment and operator training at the Purchaser's request to be charged at a daily rate including all expenses as nominated in the Schedule of Provisional Sums xvi. Installation and commissioning support and assistance

Submission of Proposals

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Key Dates

- Last Date to Submit Proposals

6 December 2022

North Mara Gold Mine Limited

Twiga Minerals Corporation cited as Tanzania's largest taxpayer, awarded

By Guardian Reporter

TWIGA Minerals Corporation's North Mara Gold Mine has bagged the top award at this year's Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Taxpayer Awards.

The corporation received the award in Dar es Salaam at the weekend before the Minister for Communication and Information Technology Nape Nnauye who was the guest of honour at the event.

Twiga Minerals Corporation oversees the operations of Bulyanhulu Gold Mine in Shinyanga; North Mara Gold Mine in Tarime as well as Buzwagi (Pangea) Gold Mine which is also located in Shinyanga and is currently in closure mode.

In 2020, Twiga Minerals Corporation paid corporate income tax payments amounting to \$119 million, whereas in 2021, it paid \$96 million.

Early this year, the Ministry of Minerals recognized Twiga as the largest contributor to government revenue for 2021. Its subsidiary - North Mara Gold Mine also won the First Runner-Up award amongst Special Mining License Holders in Local Content Performance as per Mining Act CAP 123 in 2021.

At the company's quarterly media briefing event held in October, Barrick Gold Corporation's Chief Executive Officer Dr Mark Bristow said that Twiga has contributed in excess of \$2.187 billion to the economy since 2019. Of that, \$878 million was paid in the form of various government taxes and levies.

With regards to supporting local businesses, Dr Bristow said that 80 percent of the company's purchases amounting to \$1.025 billion were sourced locally.

Since its establishment Twiga Minerals Corporation has dem-

onstrated the value-creating capacity of a true partnership between a mining company and its host nation, reflecting the sixth phase's government anticipation of improving the investment climate and embracing partnerships with the world's largest miners, among other measures that seek to achieve its determination to almost double the contribution of the mining sector to the economy.

In her inaugural speech to Parliament last year, President Samia Suluhu Hassan said the contribution of the mining sector to the gross domestic product (GDP) increased from 3.4 percent in 2015 to 5.2 percent in 2019. Its revenue also increased from 168bn/- in 2014/2015 to 527bn/- in 2019/2020.

Nevertheless, President Samia wants to improve the economic contribution of the mining sector to at least 10 percent of the GDP by 2025.



This is a view of the semi-completed modern complex meant as a market primarily for use by small traders in Dodoma city, as captured at the weekend by Correspondent Ibrahim Joseph. When ready for use, it will also have crucial facilities and services including banks, a police station, toilets and bathrooms.

Mobile money transactions still on the rise, says TCRA

By Guardian Reporter

THE number of Tanzanians using mobile money transaction services continues to rise according to Tanzania Communications

Regulatory Authority (TCRA) latest statistics.

The authority's statement for its performance for FY 2022/23 shows that mobile monetary accounts have risen to 39,590,502 in September

this year from 35,201,960 reported in January last year.

Speaking in Dar es Salaam at the weekend about the rise TCRA Managing Director Jabir Bakari said it continues to develop its financial

inclusive system due to the increase of people using mobile money transactions.

"Communications statistics for September 2022 show that mobile money transactions have increased from 349,952,830/- to 366,178,409/- September 2022," explained Dr Bakari.

He added that mobile money accounts have risen by 1.5 per cent in the period last nine months, from January to September this year, whilst transactions increased by two per cent.

According to the TCRA boss, there were 35,201,960 people who made a total of 308,569,751 valued at 10,350,248,535,456/- compared to 39,590,502 users who made a total of 366,178,409 transactions valued at 12,722,059,888,707/- in September this year.

"TCRA is the authority that issues mobile phone numbers used for communications including short codes used in mobile money transactions and other additional services, for example, "150°00#" he explained.

The statement shows that Vodacom led in the market in regard to the number of mobile money users with 39 per cent of the market share while TTCL registered the lowest market share at 4 per cent.

DEV RECOVERIES LIMITED

NOTICE OF SALE BY TENDER PROCESS

ALL THAT LANDED PROPERTY LOCATED AT SITE PLAN NO. 1135/2011, MATEMWE AREA, NORTHERN REGION OF UNGUJA, ZANZIBAR (0.14) MARKED BY CONCRETE BEACONS 150,151, 153 AND 154 IN THE NAME OF MANDHARI VILLA MATEMWE LIMITED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, under the appointment letter dated on 15th November 2022 in favor of Equity Bank Tanzania Limited Head Office, Golden Jubilee Tower, Dar Es Salaam instructing us to advertise the sale by Tender process of the property captioned above.

1. The property is a four storey beach hotel villa property with the total of 64 rooms; 50 standard villa rooms, 8 executive villa rooms and 6 family villa rooms together with administration block and generator cum laundry block built to a very good standard of workmanship, design and material specifications.
2. INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED to submit bids for the purchase of the property in a sealed envelope clearly marked "BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF MANDHARI VILLA HOTEL PROPERTY LOCATED AT SITE PLAN NO. 1135/2011, MATEMWE AREA, NORTHERN REGION OF UNGUJA, ZANZIBAR" indicating the offer for the property with full address of the bidder shown and the same should be submitted so as to reach the undersigned on the address below before 1600 hours on 8th December 2022 by 1630 hours at the office mentioned below. Bidders are invited to attend during the event if they so wish.
3. Bidders should note that the information supplied herein is without liability to the Seller as to its correctness independent valuation and inspection of the property is highly recommended.
4. The Seller shall not be bound to accept the highest bid or any bid at all.
5. The Property is sold in a condition as it is.
6. The successful bidder shall be bound to make a 25% down payment on the price within 4 days of the date of the award and the balance shall be paid within 14 days or as the successful bidder agreed with the bank for payment arrangement. In event the balance is not paid within 14 days or as the successful bidder agreed with the bank for payment arrangement, the Seller shall forfeit the down payment and the next highest bidder shall be awarded the option to purchase.
7. Members of the Public and/or bidders who are desirous of viewing and/or inspecting the property may do so subject to the appointment and prior consent of the Seller agent on the address below: 0788 438640 or 0712 390460
8. Bids mentioned in paragraph 3 hereinabove should be addressed to the address below;

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
DEV RECOVERIES LIMITED,
NIC LIFE HOUSE 4TH FLOOR,
SOKOINE DRIVE/OHIO STREET,
P.O.BOX 6707,
DAR ES SALAAM.
PHONE: 0712390460 or 0788438640

Wine importers concerned over tax increase

By Getrude Mbago

WINES importer has expressed concern over the recent changes in excise duty rates for imported wines of fresh grapes saying that the move is going to affect trade and investment.

Paul Hopkins, MMI Tanzania company's country manager said that the changes come after the government submitted to the parliament a proposed bill to amend the Excise (Management and Tariff) Act (CAP. 147) in September 2022.

The Fourth Schedule of the Act has been amended by raising the excise duty rates for imported fresh grape wines which were initially 2,466.45/- per litre to a new amount of 5,600/- per litre.

According to him, the changes in taxes and tariffs will have a great impact on the strategic investments in the country.

Hopkins said: "These charges came outside of the normal budget announcements and without deep industry consultation something which will invariably lead to higher prices for the consumer."

He said that MMI was willing to meet with key stakeholders to help identify where tax is being avoided by unscrupulous importers who are denying the government legitimate revenue streams.

He noted that these changes come at a time when the regime is gearing towards having more investment opportunities and the ease of doing business in Tanzania, but on the other side the changes can greatly affect investments and trade.

In September this year, during the Parliamentary sitting, the government submitted a proposed Bill to amend several laws including the Excise (Management and Tariff) Act which was later passed.

Presenting the Bill in the House, Minister for Finance and Planning Dr Mwigulu Nchemba said the major aim of the bill was to make changes to the laws governing tariffs and taxes so as to make things well and attract more investors from inside and outside the country.

He said that the aim to amend the fourth schedule of the Excise (Management and Tariff) Act (CAP.147) is to promote local grape farming and create a sustainable market for locally grown grapes.

Other laws which were amended under the Bill are The Written Laws (Financial Provisions) (Amendment) Act, 2022 in the Income Tax Act, Cap. 332; Mining Act, Cap. 123; Road and Fuel Tolls Act, Cap. 220; and the Value Added Tax Act, Cap. 148.



Dodoma regional commissioner Rosemary Senyamule (R, foreground, in orange) joins a dance with other women in Dodoma city at the weekend shortly after opening a symposium meant to empower women economically, spiritually and socially. The event was organised by Rev Josephine Kihonza. Photo: Correspondent Peter Mkwavila

Spend more on sanitation, decent toilets, govt urged

By Felister Peter

WATER, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) stakeholders in the country are calling upon the government to continue committing more money to the sanitation sector so everyone has access to decent sanitation services that are safe, reliable, and inclusive to withstand climate change.

Having decent sanitation systems help to prevent the spread of water-borne diseases and protects the most vulnerable and keeps people safe and healthy.

In her message on the international commemoration of World Toilet Day (WTD) in Tanzania, WaterAid Tanzania Country Director, Anna Mzinga said: "Water and sanitation are two aspects that intersect, so we cannot address one without the other. We have been a key partner to the government through the city utilities in constructing the fecal sludge treatment plant, which recycles sludge and wastewater into fertiliser."

WTD is commemorated on November 19th, every year. This year's theme is 'Sanitation and Groundwater: Let's make the invisible visible.'

Mzinga said the solution is helping Temeke residents in dealing with human waste, noting the country has a long way to go to address sanitation and climate change.

"I call upon the government and WASH stakeholders to continue playing their noble roles in helping more vulnerable communities to gain access to decent sanitation services that are safe, reliable and inclusive to withstand climate change," she said.

She said in 2021, WaterAid Tanzania in collaboration with the Ministry of Health conducted a study of the working environment of sanitation workers in the informal sector on sanitation services in the regions of Dar es Salaam, Dodoma and Arusha.

The report showed that sanitation workers in the informal sector are at high risk of accidents and diseases due to the nature of their work in the informal sector.

Statistics indicate that in Tanzania's mainland, households in Urban Areas (33.5 percent) are more likely to have improved toilet facilities than those in rural areas (8.9 percent).

Only 70-80 percent of the urban population resides without the necessary sanitation infrastructure and waste collection services.

The study indicates that only ten towns had sewerage systems, and even then, they covered a tiny proportion of the population (20 percent of the total urban population).

WaterAid Tanzania piloted innovative technologies for safe pit emptying and innovative methods by working with small entrepreneurs to test viable sanitation, business models.

However, government and WASH innovators need to plan and roll out appropriate sanitation infrastructure, especially in urban areas, to help communities become more resilient to extreme weather events, considering sanitation workers (informal sector), participation and requirements of women, girls, and disabled communities to ensure toilets are inclusive for everyone, everywhere.



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Nsekela taking CRDB Bank to next level of prosperity



CRDB Bank Group CEO, Abdulmajid Nsekela speaking to the shareholders and investors of the bank during the Annual General Meeting.

When Abdulmajid Mussa Nsekela was named as new CRDB Bank Group CEO and Managing Director, shivers of fear and concern gripped most shareholders and clients. For a period of over 22 years, the CRDB Bank group brand was synonymous wrote Dr. Charles Kimei, a man who managed the bank since 1998. Nsekela, a little known young banker was taking over the country's largest bank in terms of assets, and reach at a period when the lender had registered the largest drop in profit earnings since 1998.

"It is our worst performance in recent years and it was caused by a number of reasons including government's decision to withdraw its funds from banks and deposit them with a central account at Bank of Tanzania," Dr. Kimei said during the year when he left the bank.

When Nsekela took over, annual profit had plunged from over Tshs 200bn in 2017 to Tshs 36.2bn in 2018, the worst during Dr. Kimei's 22 Year reign coming at the end of his stellar leadership cycle. The change of leadership would have disrupted the stock market instead, Board Chairman, Dr. Ally Laay assured shareholders and clients that in Nsekela, the tier 1 capital bank was in safe hands.

"I can assure you that Abdulmajid knows the bank very well because he was involved in its growth story for many years before leaving briefly to pursue other ambitions in life," Dr Laay stated while stressing that under the youthful CEO cum MD, the bank will return to its super profit making trend.

In his acceptance speech, Nsekela rallied the entire CRDB Bank family made up of over 3,000 staff members and millions of customers promising to steer the group to super profit making. "But we can only do that by working as a team as we had always done for the past 22 years or so," he said in a statement while promising to invest more in digital banking channels.

In 2018, CRDB Bank Group's profit rose to 64.1bn, almost doubling the amount compared to the previous year. Then in 2019 when Nsekela finished a year at the helm, profit surged to Tshs 120bn, a record increase of 87% year on year.

"Our impressive performance is a result of a number of concrete actions taken to reduce expecting costs, improve service delivery through investment in alternative banking channels and support to government's mega projects," the CEO cum MD told shareholders during this year Annual General Meeting.

Even some shareholder who expressed concern in 2019 during the first annual general meeting held with Nsekela at the helm, started rallying their support behind the new chief executive. "I was one of those that opposed the idea of Dr Kimei's retirement but I am now happy that our own man, who was mentored by Dr. Kimei, has taken over, I no longer have any anxiety about the change of leadership and we must now support the new management under Nsekela," said Captain (rt) Nkoswe Noel, one of the bank's shareholders from Sumbawanga.

Since then, CRDB Bank Group has returned to super profit making ways. Last year, CRDB Bank which is one of the most profitable banks in the domestic market, stretched its profit making margin to Tshs 268bn thanks to Nsekela's investments in digital channels. During the first half of this year, the bank has already posted Tshs 174bn in profit, signaling another

milestone in annual growth and performance. When he took over in October 2018, less than 60% of transactions were undertaken on digital channels but by 2021, the story was completely changed with over 90% of transaction taking place outside its physical branches. Nsekela believes that as the world grapples with a surge in communicable disease outbreak such as the novel coronavirus, the future of banking is in digital channels. With over 260 branches across the country, the youthful CEO cum MD wants less customers in banking halls.

Apart from measures mentioned above, Nsekela has also expanded CRDB Bank Group's entrance DR Congo where a subsidiary company has been established jointly with reputable global financial institutions including Norfund of Norway and The Investment Fund for Developing Countries (IFU) of Denmark.

"These two partners have the same thinking as CRDB Bank's especially on strategy and innovation, especially on climate change and gender inclusivity issues," Nsekela argued during an interview recently. In November 2021, the bank made history under Nsekela when it became the first in East Africa to be accredited by South Korea based United Nations Green Climate Fund. The bank has also forged partnerships with commercial arm of French development financiers, Propaco and United States Agency for International Development.

As a result of his stellar performance at the helm of CRDB Bank Group, Nsekela has earned himself several awards including being inducted in the leadership Hall of Fame by the African leadership magazine, the award that was established to spotlight ground-breaking contributions by leaders and top-level executives in the African business terrain in the African business terrain who exemplify integrity, insist upon excellence, earn the trust of others and build regional competitive organizations. This is just one of many awards that he won. Euromoney magazine's best bank in Tanzania was awarded to CRDB Bank. "We are humbled by this recognition by Euromoney which encourages us to work then harder and deliver the best to our clients," said Nsekela after receiving the award in London, the UK capital in July.

Last year, the bank was also named as best innovative bank in the country by Global Finance and European Society for Quality Research the best bank in the market. In all the Dar es Salaam based lender has bagged 20 awards both local and global since 2018.



President of Zanzibar, Dr. Hussein Mwinyi and CRDB Bank Group CEO, Abdulmajid Nsekela gracing the opening of the CRDB Bank Michenzani branch in Zanzibar.



A group photo of CRDB Bank and USAID senior officials during the signing ceremony of the partnership between the two organisations.

NMB produces second winner in its Master Card competition

By Guardian Reporter, Iringa

NMB Bank has produced the second motorcycle (bodaboda) winner, Charles Erasto Mbwilo from Songea, Ruvuma Region through the NMB MastaBata Kote-kote draw.

The contest has earmarked 350m/- to be given to 834 winners as well as motorcycles prizes and a Dubai air trip to up to seven winners and their spouses.

Already 15m/- has been provided to 150 winners including two motorcycles valued at 6m/-.

Launching the second Draw at Iringa's NMB Mkwawa Branch, the bank's Acting Manager for Southern Highlands Zone, Manyilizu Masanja said the main aim is to promote the use of NMB Master Card and Master Card QR for its customers.

Masanja said when customers use NMB Master Card or Master Card QR in their transactions they are in a good position to become winners in the coming draws.

Earlier, Senior Manager of the NMB Bank Card Department, Manfred Kayala called upon customers to continue using the two NMB cards for their money transactions to enable them

to enter the draws and eventually win prizes.

After being presented with his prize, last week's motorcycle winner, Asumwiye Mwachaka said his win has spurred him to continue using NMB Master Card for his money transactions.

"I call upon my fellow youth not to walk around with cash in their pockets, use the NMB Master Card or NMB Master Card QR, as I have seen the benefit, I won a motorcycle," he said.



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Zeifa Hamid (L), director of gadget shop Mega Store, has a word with Energy minister January Makamba (R) and Ambassador Peter Kallaghe at the launch of the facility in Dar es Salaam's Masaki suburb at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Makamba to entities' board members: Be courageous when executing duties

By Guardian Reporter

MINISTER for Energy, January Makamba has called upon board executives, members and leaders in the public, and public entities to be courageous when executing their duties to ensure positive outputs of their institutions are realized.

Makamba was speaking after launching a new book titled: 'Novice'—which provides a guide to the operation of boards of public institutions and the private sector, includ-

ing how a board member should perform his/her duties on the board to bring about efficiency.

The book launch event was attended by senior executives from public and private institutions, directors of various boards, and lecturers from higher learning institutions.

"In most cases, you find board members or leaders who do not understand that their decisions have a big impact on the institutions they lead, and so lack of seriousness leads to low productivity and efficiency in

many institutions and this in most cases contributes to many institutions poor performance," Makamba said, lauding the author for writing the book targeting a group of board executives.

"I hurriedly went through this book and it has a big treasure of knowledge, and I will make sure all boards within the institutions under my ministry, their leaders acquire a copy of this book as a mentor guide for readiness to bring about efficiency," he said.

Ntangeki Nshala, book author said: "I reached the decision to write this book after doing a thorough research and identifying the existence of a vacuum for appointed officials to lead boards of various institutions not being aware of the responsibilities of their work in order to bring about efficiency, including members who are appointed to the board."

Nshala who is also an expert in finance, and administration and the author of books on business ad-

ministration said that he has written the Novice book in a simple, normal and attractive language and believes that most of the targeted people will enjoy it.

"I will use it as a mentor guide because it is written to reflect the operating environment of the boards of public and private institutions in the country and the participation of board members who are appointed to the board," he said.

Prof Neema Mori who is ATCL board chairman and CRDB board

vice chairman said: "I believe the reading of this book will do for you what it has done for me, firmly set you on a course to becoming an effective Director and Chairperson of any Board and in any industry that you may be called to serve on."

Prof Joseph Kahamba, consultant neurosurgeon and the corporate leader said: "Navigating through Novice, one gets an experience of a sophomore enrolled in an institute for tuition, evolving into a first class graduate in board matters."

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YEARS OF SERVICE

Access Microfinance Bank Tanzania

Julius Ruwaichi
CEO
Access Microfinance Bank Tanzania

Today, the 21st November 2022 it's a day to celebrate... because it is Access Microfinance Bank Tanzania's (AMBT) 15th anniversary!

It's with great pride and joy that we achieve this milestone.

We are privileged to not only be witnessing, but actively participating in a pivotal season for this bank. We have stepped into a phase where our thoughts and work are framed by our Strategic path imbedded into our mission of being a socially responsible bank for the lower- and middle-income strata of Tanzanian Society. Our passion for financial inclusion has given us the drive to make banking accessible to every one in the segment.

Throughout these years, we relish each victory, learnt from every flaw and supported each other in the most difficult times, always with the heart in the right place and the mind aligned with the ambition. We always knew, and know where to go, aware that sometimes the path is not always a straight line, but with perseverance, sacrifice, expertise and innovative thinking we managed to make this journey successful to date.

Over that time, we have experienced tremendous growth and advanced technology has dramatically changed the way we conduct business. The future of our banking business is extremely positive as we transit into the use of technology to enhance efficiency in our operations, service delivery channels as well as diversify our customer-centric products.

We are extremely delighted by increasingly level of support and cooperation from key stakeholders, including the Government, our Customers, Regulators, engaged Employees and financiers, just to mention few. It's this business/working strength and union that we cherish so much, that enabled us standing together in such a competitive and challenging market. One's success doesn't happen by chance or luck, even less alone.

We extend also our appreciation to those who rely their trust on AMBT and have turned this bank into a family and trusted partner in responding to their financial needs.

Much as we might not know with certainty on what's going to happen in the next 10 years (we wish we would) but we are certainly sure we will keep delivering one of the best financial solutions to our clientele with our ambition for excellence and quality.

Today, the 21st of November 2022 it's a day to celebrate... because writing this history is a hard task indeed but it is a task that brings joy when we can count on one another.

These Congratulations are thus to All of Us.

Thank you!

REQUEST FOR TENDER

North Mara Gold Mine, a fully owned subsidiary of Twiga Minerals Corporation, which is ultimately owned by Barrick Gold Corporation and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania requests the submission of Tenders from reputable, experienced, certified, and qualified parties to provide the following:

Reverse Pulse Dust Collectors, Conveyors, Hydraulic Rock Breaker, Containerised Motor Control centre and Transformers

Pre-qualification Criteria

No.	Reference no.	Description of work	Pre-Qualification Criteria
1	NM061/2022	<p>Package A: Design and Supply of Reverse pulse dust collectors (Baghouse type)</p> <p>Package B: Design and Supply of Industrial Conveyors (rated capacity 650 – 1520 Tph, Length 21m – 88m)</p> <p>Package C: Design and Supply of Hydraulic Rock Breaker (3000kg Hammer, 14.5M reach and 5000ft/lb box Housing)</p> <p>Package D: Design and Supply of Containerised Motor Control Centres (MCC)</p> <p>Package E: Design and Supply of Transformer (1,000KVA Above)</p>	<p>i. Interested Supplier to submit company profile with experience in supply of Dust collectors, Conveyors, Hydraulic rock Breaker, containerised MCC and Transformers</p> <p>ii. Should have supplied at least similar packages in Gold Mine application in the last 5 years from closing date of EOI and out of which at least one should have been in successful operation for a period not less than one year as on the date of closing of EOI</p> <p>iii. Standards and codes: Supplier's Works shall conform to the applicable ISO Standard</p> <p>iv. Lead Time for delivery of equipment</p> <p>v. Will be able to supply commissioning spares & 1 year of wear components</p> <p>vi. Warranty & Guarantee period to be specified</p> <p>vii. Installation and commissioning support which includes provision of qualified personnel for supervision of commissioning and post commissioning servicing of the Equipment and operator training</p>

Expression of interest

If your company meets the pre-qualification criteria and would like to be considered to receive the invitation to tender (ITT), an expression of interest (EOI) including your company profile and evidence of compliance with pre-qualification criteria may be submitted to nm.proposal@barrick.com

Applicants must quote the tender description(s) and the respective reference no.(s) in the subject line of the email.

NB: The Company reserves the right to invite any other supplier(s) who did not submit an EOI through this advertisement.

Pre-qualification of any company submitting an "Expression of Interest" shall be at the sole discretion of NMGM

Key Dates

- Last date to submit EOI

24 November 2022

North Mara Gold Mine Limited



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT
TANZANIA SHIPPING AGENCIES CORPORATION
TASAC



ISO 9001: 2015 Certified

PUBLIC NOTICE

OPINION ON SUITABILITY OF APPLICANTS FOR SHIPPING AGENCY LICENCE

The Tanzania Shipping Agencies Corporation (TASAC), established under Section 4 of the Tanzania Shipping Agencies Cap 415 of 2017, is a maritime administration and regulator of ports, shipping services, maritime environment, safety, security and related matters. The Corporation is charged, among others, with a responsibility of regulating private shipping agents.

The Tanzania Shipping Agencies Act, Cap. 415 and the Tanzania Shipping Agencies (Shipping Agents) Regulations, 2018 empowers TASAC to license shipping agents who are required to apply before or on 31st October.

Regulation 4(5) of the Tanzania Shipping Agencies (Shipping Agents) Regulations, 2018 requires the Corporation to seek opinion of the general public on the suitability of applicants for shipping agency licence before issuance of the licence. As of 31st October, 2022 TASAC, had received applications from 38 companies for new and renewal of their shipping agency licenses for the year 2023. Therefore, TASAC herewith invites members of the general public to submit their opinions on suitability of the applicants listed below. The opinions should be submitted timely so as to reach the Director General within fourteen days from the date of the first appearance of this advertisement.

List of companies which have applied for shipping agency licence renewal

Sn	Name of the Applicant	Physical Address	Name of Shareholders	Citizenship	Share percentage
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Differences over climate change action cause for genuine concern

WHILE negotiations were stalled at the just-ended (Nov 6 to 18) UN Climate Change Conference at the Egyptian resort of Sharm El-Sheikh, with pivotal developed countries having from the start rejected the US\$100bn annual payments to developing countries, efforts to cope with climate change continues unabated.

One example relates to Germany's granting of 210bn/- to Tanzania, with the fight against gender-based violence given as an essential part of the use of those funds. The debate in COP27 was about terms of the disbursing and use of such funds on climate issues and governance.

Looked at closely, the contested release of large funds is only an extension of money that is now being released multilaterally for instance the Covid-19 recovery funds, or at a bilateral level, as in this instance.

How far Germany took account of the climate situation and adaptation can scarcely be in doubt, as implementing various health, water, tourism, environment, good governance and women's economic empowerment projects can't be isolated from the harrowing effects of drought.

There is another aspect: business opportunities tied up with climate. This too would have been a problem calling for action at COP27 talks as countries wished to see the large funds disbursed to treasuries for climate change adaptation, without connection with the paying countries. It becomes a sort of global tax where the receiving 'local governments' use the cash

as they please, issuing supply tenders to those they pick.

The West doesn't believe it would get a fair share of such contracts, unless the payments are bilateral in character, which means that the direction of use is clear, discounting procurement.

What has also not been vividly stated at COP27 talks, unless perhaps on the sidelines, is that the conference took off from what was agreed at COP26 (Glasgow, Scotland: 31 Oct to 13 Nov, 2021), as if nothing had happened in between. For instance, delegates at COP27 were seeking to stick to the formal definition of clean energy as excluding all fossil fuels, not just furnace oil and coal. Natural gas, which Tanzania is making frantic efforts to use as widely as possible, was being rejected.

For the developed countries, the idea that natural gas is a fossil fuel and not the way of the future wasn't really new, despite some diplomatic effort even during COP26 to have it considered as clean energy.

The Glasgow conference could at least agree on phasing out coal, especially for developed economies, but the war in Ukraine and sanctions on Russia put global gas supply networks on a tailspin, pushing countries to revert to bad old coal. Countries like Tanzania that would be excused for using coal as local energy for a while can now export.

So there were no conditions for global accords on scrapping fossil fuels in the near future, as even coal will be scrapped only when global natural gas flows are restored.

World Philosophy Day not just pastime for teachers or clerics

WORLD Philosophy Day is an international day proclaimed by UNESCO to be celebrated every third Thursday of November.

By celebrating the Day each year, UNESCO underlines the enduring value of philosophy for the development of human thought, for each culture and for each individual. The UN agency has always been closely linked to philosophy, not speculative or normative philosophy, but critical questioning which enables it to give meaning to life and action in the international context.

In establishing WPD, UNESCO highlighted the importance of this discipline, especially for young people, declaring that philosophy was a discipline encouraging critical and independent thought and was capable of working towards a better understanding of the world and promoting tolerance and peace.

In a way, the Day is much like International Day of Mathematics (March 14) which focuses on an enigmatic mathematical quantity known as Pi, setting the geometric relationship between radius and circumference of any round figure. It isn't that something that could be actively reflected upon by more than one per cent of the world population if they weren't in school or teaching. This similarly applies to philosophy.

But taken up in a broader sense, philosophy and its other instruments like digits of calculation or logic is more than visible in daily life. When a person is attacked by thugs and robbed of a wallet or phone, or even harmed, there is something like failed philosophy, which in everyday language is known as upbringing.

Attending a wedding or even in the preparatory stages at home is a veritable class in philosophy, and here the first step in comprehending the problem crops up.

Parliamentarians have of late battled with profound emotions on what is happening in countless homes in the country and well beyond, in Africa to start with.

Tanzania did not have a prolonged or indeed visible lockdown during Covid-19 and in that sense escaped the pandemic's outstretched impact felt among neighbouring states, namely a sharp rise in domestic violence.

For practically anything one picks that isn't going right there is philosophy involved, this in the sense that a section of the population profoundly believes in one or other facet of social good.

Then different facets of these convictions enter into conflict and, while such conflicts aren't fatal in many countries, they can be devastating when conditions of a sharp explosion of sentiments exist. At times the signs of danger are visible, but a society may be without the mental strength needed to prevent chaos. At the time of independence and for several decades thereafter, African writers were at peace with themselves trying to relive the salient features of how traditional society was organised. Even to this day we hear refrains about copying foreign cultures.

Yet we see in those foreign cultures the solution of our more pervasive problems like the rule of law and minimising corruption. Could we combine philosophies?

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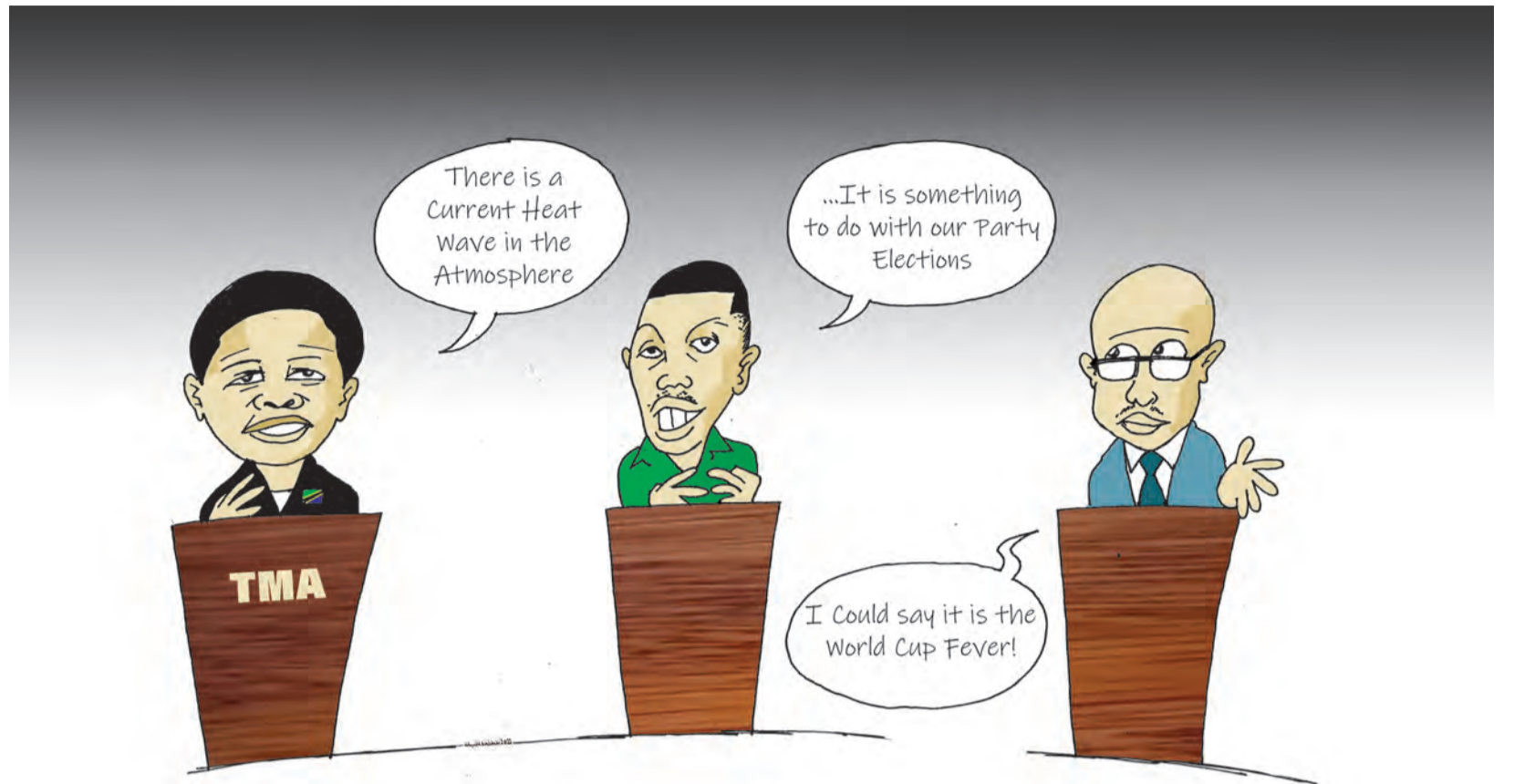
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COP27 ends, polluting food systems remain

By Special Correspondent

COP27 was meant to be the "Implementation COP" but, after two weeks of negotiations, existing pledges and national plans remain insufficient to reach the Paris agreement 1.5-degree target.

Although food and agriculture have been higher up the agenda than at any previous round of climate talks, solutions put forward to help tackle their dramatic impact on climate change do not challenge the current status-quo. This confirms once more the overrepresentation of the agri-food industry's interests.

Edward Mukiibi, president of Slow Food comments: "Most of the debates and discussions have moved from finding more concrete solutions to climate change, like shifting from a fossil fuel-intensive industrial agriculture system to agroecological ones, towards financing for climate change adaptation."

"Financing developing countries to address the adverse effects of climate change without addressing the root causes and mitigation measures of the crisis will not help. It will only give industrial agriculture giants more freedom to propel their green washing false solutions."

Slow Food welcomes several positive developments that took place during COP27. The organi-

sation of over two hundred side events on food and the presence of four different pavilions dedicated to food and agriculture have shown that the world has finally come to acknowledge the impact of our agricultural system on climate change.

Similar conclusions can be drawn from the incorporation of a dedicated day to agriculture to the official programme. Lastly, the agreement for a "loss and damage" fund is good news for vulnerable countries in their struggle against the adverse effects of climate change.

While that is acknowledged, COP27 remains an empty shell whose agenda was dominated by agribusiness companies with the world's largest meat and dairy firms, top pesticide and fertiliser companies, fossil fuel lobbyists, and other major agribusiness firms being given free rein to block any meaningful action.

The number of delegates representing big agribusiness has more than doubled at the UN climate talks since last year and is even greater than some country delegations.

As these polluting corporations are responsible for considerable damage on the planet, they should not be allowed to set the tone of climate negotiations.

Meanwhile, the voices of small-

scale farmers and food producers and indigenous people - who are at the forefront of the effects of climate change, were marginalised.

Yet, small-scale producers are critical for global food security, producing as much as 80 per cent of the food consumed in regions such as Asia and sub-Saharan Africa.

This is despite the fact that indigenous people are the guardians of an incredible variety of sustainable practices and their traditional knowledge is key to helping tackle the worst effects of climate change and build resilience.

As a result, food systems and truly sustainable solutions were cast aside at COP27. Unfortunately, the Koronivia joint work on agriculture does not include food systems and sidelines agroecology altogether as a potential solution for adaptation to climate change, despite its proven, multiple benefits.

Without an ambitious mandate for the Koronivia mechanism, the world will not be able to deliver sustainable, fair and resilient food systems that enable people and nature to prosper within planetary boundaries.

Slow Food condemns the false solutions that keep being put forward in international climate talks, such as GMOs. If we want to ensure both long-term food security and the survival of the planet,

such techno-fixes must be out of the picture.

World leaders need to acknowledge that agroecology is the only path towards resilience, and to listen to the needs and solutions of small-scale farmers.

As outlined in our Climate Declaration, Slow Food calls for a shift from a system based on climate-intensive global food trade to one promoting fair and short distribution networks.

We need a holistic transformation of food systems that encompasses all links in the chain, from production to consumption.

COP27 has fallen short on delivering an ambitious plan for the future of food, but the fight continues. Slow Food will keep developing grassroots actions to tackle climate change and mobilising its network and citizens worldwide to pressure decision makers into immediate action, at local and global level.

Slow Food is a worldwide network of local communities founded in 1989 in order to counteract the disappearance of local food traditions and the spread of fast food culture. It has since grown into a global movement that involves millions of people in more than 160 countries and works so that we can all have access to good, clean and fair food.

• A Slow Food dispatch.

Africa's changing shopping trends allow e-tailers to meet customers' expectations

By Darjani Bošković

THE African continent is widely considered retail's next big gold rush, based on its population of 1.4 billion people - which includes more than 500 million internet users and over 330 million eCommerce consumers.

Additionally, with 19 of the top 20 fastest-growing countries in the world, the continent's trade landscape is set to become even more attractive for new market entrants and pan-African operations in the retail space.

Africa's five largest economies - Nigeria, South Africa, Kenya, Morocco and Egypt - also have the most competitive retail sectors and fast-growing eCommerce industries, this largely thanks to several leading global e-tailers operating across the continent.

According to the McKinsey Global Institute, eCommerce will be worth US\$75 billion by 2025 in Africa's leading economies, yet this sector also faces numerous challenges, such as a lack of national street address systems in many countries and the expense of last-mile delivery. Additionally, a large portion of the African population remains unbanked.

Infrastructure investment

Other challenges faced by both the formal and informal retail sectors include a shortfall in infrastructure investment, which hampers develop-

ment in the logistics space.

Alongside infrastructural challenges, there is a need to educate consumers about online retail - and gain their trust. Currently, a significant number of African smartphone users either do not know how to make purchases online or do not trust eCommerce platforms.

As such, Africa remains below the global eCommerce average growth rate, even across its biggest markets. Encouragingly, though, the continent is seeing an increase in technology-related productivity in sectors such as financial services, education, health, retail, agriculture and government. The number of digital shoppers in Africa doubled between 2015 and 2021 but, while digitalisation is a significant game-changer in Africa's retail sector, informal trade remains dominant in consumers' buying habits.

For example, Nigeria has established itself as a vibrant hub for new technology businesses, with several large e-tailers operating in the market. Yet, digitalisation is yet to drive significant transformation in the country's traditional brick-and-mortar retail sector.

Social media channels

The rising availability of 4G networks and smartphones is steadily driving the uptake of digital transacting, with smaller retailers selling products via social media channels like Face-

book and WhatsApp, especially when consumers opt for cash-on-delivery.

In contrast, Morocco's high internet penetration rate of 75 per cent is boosting the eCommerce sector's growth and the industry demonstrated significant year-on-year growth during the Covid-19 pandemic. The pandemic accelerated online food retail, and many Moroccan grocery retail chains launched their own apps and delivery services.

Currently, many eCommerce transactions in Morocco happen outside the banking system, this owing to the fact that many businesses offer cash as a payment option.

However, the volume of digital payments is swelling. Like other retail leaders on the continent, digital B2B start-ups are starting to play a significant role in modernising the country's traditional retail sector.

Similarly, the Covid-19 pandemic also prompted South African retailers to leverage technology to drive sales and better engage with customers, seeing a significant rise in online grocery and clothing purchases in 2020.

More growth expected

Industry experts forecast that this growth is expected to gain momentum, reaching growth figures as high as 100 per cent year-on-year over the next few years.

By Thomas Lyimo

Educational landscape has changed tremendously, so should our graduates



EDUCATIONAL landscape in our country has changed significantly in the past six decades of Independence. In the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s, a holder of a bachelor's degree in didn't struggle to get a job. In fact, employers used to liaise with higher learning institutions and upon graduation, people were handed their recruitment letters. In some cases, graduates declined job offers from some companies and joined other more prestigious institutions.

Those days are gone. We are in 2022 where graduates—some with master's degrees—walk with brown envelopes containing their papers for years looking for job. Some are willing to take any job, yes, not necessarily what they studied. This is because the number of graduates has sharply increased due to increase in the number of universities in the country.

Every corner of our country now boasts young people with impressive academic credentials. Among these graduates are from poor families who hoped that education would be emancipation. Their parents sacrificed a lot due to the encouragement that with education many if not all problems are solved.

Contrary to the expectations, this rapid change has come with challenges too. The existence of many higher learning institutions is a good thing but the question is how the products that universities produce become useful to the society.

Some graduates from universities have found themselves jobless and some even take the so called lowly jobs and hence underpaid. Some critics see them as volunteers as well though there is a formal agreement before starting to work in respective institutions or organizations mostly private ones.

There are thinkers who find themselves in a dilemma when they try to establish whether our education aims for self-reliance or for white collar jobs. If the aim of our education was to create self-reliant individuals, those people from universities could create jobs instead of walking around looking for job.

Isn't volunteering the second option after failing to get a job? Why is it becoming the priority? Looking for job is good when the government and the private sector create enough vacancies. Unfortunately, our economy is not able to do that currently and that means graduates should change the 70s and 80s mindset that one gets hired after university.

Education for self-reliance is a good idea but it does not and should not mean education for white collar job. This is a bad idea because disappoints many young Tanzanians who come out of universities with hope but end up jobless. It can help if students are acquainted with the reality on the ground while still on campus so that they have plan B such as volunteering for a while or starting a business.

Those who aimed for white collar jobs and unfortunately things have not favoured them should not bother as chances for success and influencing the society are still present. If graduates and other scholars decide to think from a broader perspective, they can see

a refuge in volunteering. One may ask; what are the benefits of this practice?

One of the benefits of volunteering is increasing competence. It is well established that practice makes perfect. Volunteering enables scholars to put the theoretical knowledge from universities into practice hence making the knowledge effective. This creates a possibility for a society to get benefits from the knowledge of someone instead of being idle.

Another benefit is increasing social capital. There is established fact that success is people. This means that someone cannot succeed without the help of other people. In order to initiate

any project, one will need people so that what is initiated can become meaningful to the society. It is from volunteering where someone gets other ideas which can help improve life.

Also, volunteering enables someone to improve their communication skills. In order for someone to succeed in a career, they need to relate to other people well. Good relations need good communication skills. It is during volunteering that one builds good communication skills. Failure to communicate means failure to work with others for development.

Volunteering enables interactionism which is necessary for societal develop-

ment. Without interactionism the society cannot develop because people's talents and abilities are recognized through interactionism. The talents and abilities of scholars need to be recognized by others for the same to be appreciated and used..

Additionally, volunteering gives scholars an opportunity to educate the society on the importance of education and the role that scholars need to play in the society. The very aim of education is making a positive change in the society. A scholar needs to work first for the society before thinking of generating a profit. The society should get informed of the meaning of someone being educated in order for it to encourage volunteering because if the society is not well informed of the role of education, it may disvalue those volunteering and cause unnecessary underdevelopment.

Scholars should know that volunteering make them resilient and through this they may eventually get formal employment. For whatever situation, a decision must be made. Would you rather stay idle while looking for job or practise what you studied while waiting for job? The choice is yours.

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China to work with rest of world to create new prospects of win-win cooperation

By He Yin

THE 17th Group of 20 (G20) Summit was held in Bali, Indonesia on Nov. 15 local time. Chinese President Xi Jinping attended the summit and delivered a speech titled "Working Together to Meet the Challenges of Our Times and Build a Better Future".

He profoundly analyzed the current international situation, stressing that all countries should replace division with unity, confrontation with cooperation, and exclusion with inclusiveness.

He said all countries should join hands together to answer the question of the times – "what is wrong with this world, what we should do about it" – so as to tide over difficulties and create a better future together.

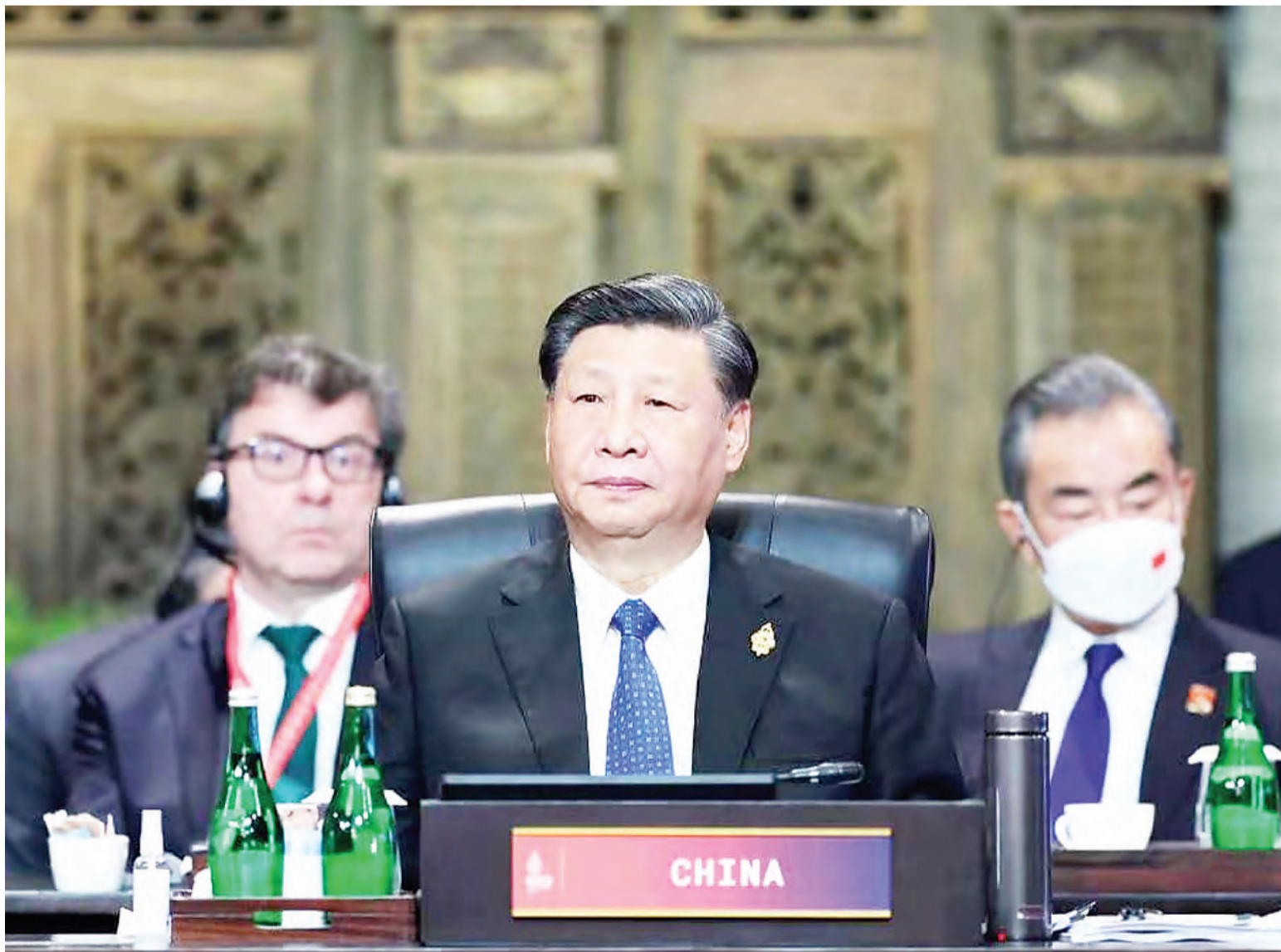
China, focusing on current priorities while looking beyond the horizon, has charted the course for the world in jointly solving major practical issues of global development and promoting global recovery.

The COVID-19 pandemic still drags on with cases surging here and there. The world economy is getting more fragile. The geopolitical environment remains tense. Global governance is seriously inadequate. Food and energy crises are compounded with one another. All this poses formidable challenges to our development.

Xi said the world should make global development more inclusive, beneficial to all and more resilient, which mirrored China's consistent position of being committed to pushing all parties to focus on development agenda and to promoting common development. Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez expressed full endorsement of Xi's proposal at the G20 Summit for tackling global challenges with solidarity and cooperation and promoting more inclusive global development.

Keith Bennett, vice chairman of Britain's 48 Group Club, said Xi's ideas of making global development fairer and more inclusive are not only practical, but also a vital necessity.

To make global development more inclusive, the world must pursue co-



Chinese President Xi Jinping delivers a speech titled "Working Together to Meet the Challenges of Our Times and Build a Better Future" at the 17th Group of 20 Summit held in Bali, Indonesia, Nov. 15, 2022. (Photo by Ju Peng/Xinhua)

operation and carry forward the spirit of solidarity.

Only by working together can the world accomplish big and great things with a far-reaching impact. Drawing ideological lines, promoting group politics and bloc confrontation, engaging in beggar-thy-neighbor practices, building "a small yard with high fences", or creating closed and exclusive clubs will only hinder global development.

To make global development beneficial to all, more fruits of development should be shared by all in a more equitable fashion.

Prosperity and stability cannot be possible in a world where the rich become richer while

the poor are made poorer. All major countries should perform their due responsibilities, and do their best for the cause of global development. To make global development more resilient, the world must pursue common development.

China is committed to building a global partnership for economic recovery and stresses prioritizing development and putting the people at the center. It believes the world should always keep in mind the difficulties faced by developing countries, and accommodate their concerns. This reflects the country's vision and responsibility in supporting the growth of developing countries and preventing divergent

and unbalanced global recovery.

The Global Development Initiative (GDI) proposed by Xi aims at meeting the long-term objective and immediate needs of common development of the world. China is working with 100-plus countries and international organizations on the GDI, which indicates the strong vitality and appeal of the initiative.

From establishing the Group of Friends of the GDI to holding the High-level Dialogue on Global Development, and from establishing the Global Development and South-South Cooperation Fund to making a list of items for practical cooperation,

China has taken concrete actions to implement the GDI. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said the Global Development Initiative China has proposed is aligned with the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

A fairer, more just and more reasonable global economic governance system is a guarantee for bringing the world economy back to the track of growth and achieving stable development. China, being the first to publicly support the African Union in joining the G20, hopes to improve global economic governance. The country has made specific proposals in continuing to deepen international cooperation against COVID-19, curbing global inflation and alleviating the debt pressure of developing countries.

It said the world must resolutely oppose the attempt to politicize food and energy issues or use them as tools and weapons. Unilateral sanctions must be removed, and restrictions on relevant scientific and technological cooperation must be lifted.

China stresses that the world should continue to uphold the WTO-centered multilateral trading system, actively push forward WTO reform, enhance trade and investment liberalization and facilitation, and promote an open world economy. It firmly supports the open development of the global economy.

Embarking on a new era, China will stay committed to the path of peaceful development, stay committed to deepening reform and opening-up, and stay committed to promoting national rejuvenation on all fronts through a Chinese path to modernization.

A China marching toward modernization will bring more opportunities to the world. The country will keep working with all relevant parties to forge a united, equal, balanced and inclusive global development partnership and create new prospects of win-win cooperation.

By Ufrieda Ho

Just not good enough COP27 - time is up and we're no closer to solutions

THE inevitable extension of COP27 negotiations into the weekend because of deadlocks over final agreements, threatens to reduce this year's United Nations climate summit in Egypt to yet another damp squib.

Now running into reserve time, the negotiations in Sharm El-Sheikh are being marked by back-sliding, stalling and, with it, further blows for the most vulnerable communities, which includes many in Africa.

Friday 18 November was meant to be the last day of the two-week annual summit intended to set a clear and committed course for collective action in the face of a deepening global climate crisis.

Heart of the deadlock

At the heart of the deadlock are disagreements over the shape of a committed financing mechanism for loss and damage; the timeframes for this to come into effect, and extents of liability.

There also continues to be vague commitments on "phasing out" or "phasing down" of fossil fuels - oil, coal and gas - given the continued appetite of developed nations for fossil fuels, and the still prevailing position of developing nations that fossil fuels represent an essential resource to advance their economies.

Also of contention in the text is the qualifying language that defines "degrees of vulnerabilities" among vulnerable developing nations.

It means that ultimately the eleventh-hour negotiations are underpinned by a deepening trust divide between the haves and have-nots of richer and poorer nations, and new questions about the value of COP summits into the future.

Three options for sticking point

Overnight, the latest UN draft text on loss and damage was released. In this version, it sets out three options for the critical sticking point of loss and damage financing.



Visitors in the Green Zone of the COP27 climate conference in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. The conference is discussing climate-related topics including climate change adaptation, climate finance, decarbonisation, agriculture and biodiversity.

Speaking at the final briefing of the Global Campaign to Demand Climate Justice at Sharm El-Sheikh, Meena Raman of Third World Network said the options represent a shift in responsibility and stand to be a deletion of existing agreements set out already in The Paris Agreement in 2015.

Said Raman: "The developed nations want to remove the common but differentiated responsibility to shift to a common and shared responsibility.

They also want to not have reference to equity, and if they do reference equity, there's a qualification of what equity is.

"They [developed nations] are not honouring what has already been agreed on in The Paris Agreement. They are not recognising their historical responsibility but are raking up skeletons, pretending to be ambitious about their goals.

Civil society has slammed the negotiations as "hypocritical" and Brandon

Wu of ActionAid US said the options presented are "poison pills".

He said the options have been presented as a compromised middle ground but do not recognise different vulnerabilities and put forward funding streams that are still disguised, including as loans and private funding.

Shifting goalposts

Wu, who shared the same final briefing panel as Raman, also called out negotiators from developed nations that he said are shifting goalposts and reversing gains.

"The target of 1.5°C [limiting global warming to this tempera-

ture increase] is something that developing nations and climate justice activists and civil society have been fighting for, but now the developed nations have hijacked 1.5 and want it reflected in the text as a goal for all parties, pretending that all parties are starting from the same level.

He said "1.5 is being hijacked and it's been weaponised against the developing nations".

Civil society organisations and activists have also slammed working text for not going far enough to push back against fossil fuel industries. Watchdog organisation Global Witness noted that this year's COP saw 636 fossil fuel lobbyists in attendance, which is a 25% increase from COP26 in Glasgow.

The likes of climate scientist Peter Kalmus were tweeting at the tail-end of COP: "What kind of a climate meeting makes no attempt to phase out oil and fossil gas, when fossil fuels in general are the main cause of the crisis? And loss and damage numbers are inching up toward \$100-million - 0.01% what US spends on military in a year." Kalmus pointed out that the world is on track to pass 1.5°C warming in the next decade.

Continued climate-related misery

The Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACJA) also warned that despite COP27 being billed as the "Africa COP" it is "ending leaving millions of Africans in continued climate-related misery".

Mithika Mwenda, executive director of PACJA said: "We came with the hope that COP would materialise with concrete outcomes in Egypt."

PACJA added that COP summits are fast becoming obsolete as they fail to build on previous years' gains and are increasingly becoming wasted opportunities and expensive talk shops that ultimately do not deliver for the most vulnerable. **DM**

TAXPAYERS APPRECIATION DAY 2021/22



The Chief Executive Officer of National Microfinance Bank PLC (NMB PLC), Ms. Ruth Zaipuna (second from left) receiving a shield, trophy and wooden plaque certificate for the best overall compliant taxpayer in all benchmark categories for the year 2021/22 from the Minister of Information, Communication and Information Technology, Hon. Nape Nnauye. The benchmarks were accurate record keeping, timely payment of taxes, amount of taxes paid and timely cooperation with Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) whenever required.



Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) Commissioner General, Mr. Alphayo J. Kidata (left) awarding a shield, trophy and a plaque to a business man Mr. Muhidini Haongwa Mkwavi from Bunju 'A' area, for bravely apprehending a conman who posed as a TRA officer and handed him over to the Authorities for appropriate legal actions. The awarding took place during Taxpayers Appreciation Day held on 17th November, 2022 in Dar es Salaam.



The Deputy Minister for Finance and Planning, Hon. Hamad Chande (left) handing over a shield, trophy and a plaque to the Geita Gold Mine (GGM) representative for becoming the overall winner in the category of the best National compliant taxpayer in the mineral sector for the year 2021/22 during Taxpayers Appreciation Day held on 17th November, 2022 in Dar es Salaam.



The Minister for Information, Communication and Information Technology, Hon. Nape Nnauye (left) handing over a shield, trophy and wooden plaque of award to North Mara Gold Mine Limited (NMGML) representative for scooping overall winner award in the category of top contributors for the year 2021 during Taxpayers Appreciation Day held on 17th November, 2022 in Dar es Salaam.

KIHEWA Project contributes to drop in maternal deaths in Karatu

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

IMPROVEMENT of health services including the construction of new health centres and availability of medical equipment have contributed to the drop in maternal deaths including children under five years of age in Karatu District, Arusha Region.

This was revealed at the weekend by Karatu District Medical Officer, Dr Lucas Kazingo when inaugurating the KIHEWA Project whose aim is to eradicate maternal deaths and children under five years of age under the joint sponsorship of World Vision Tanzania and Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA).

"Since January this year, we have had two deaths only of women who were giving birth including one from Ngorongoro who came here for treatment, quite different from what used to be in the past," said Dr Kazingo.

He said the drop in maternal deaths has been contributed to the Project that saw the construction of health centres and the provision of medical equipment that helped in the improvement of mother and child care.

For his part, the representative of the Karatu

District Commissioner, Faraja Msiwga who was the chief guest at the event appealed to health workers to take care of the medical equipment to encourage sponsors thereof all aimed at benefiting the people, the target of the assistance.

"Some pregnant women in Karatu district used to hire men to attend a clinic with, but this project has changed that, they come with their actual husbands," Faraja said.

KOICA Director General, Kyuchool Eo explained the reasons behind their investment in the prevention of maternal deaths, saying they saw a big number of babies dying after delivery.

For his part, Peter Paresso, the one of the beneficiaries of a caring parent said personally he has transformed himself from the habits that used to endanger the lives of mother and child.

KIHEWA Project, costing 3bn/- was established in 2020 in Karatu District through the construction of health centres, provision of medical equipment, construction of toilets, supplying water to areas without water and mobilising the people to in identifying their community development priorities, all aimed at reducing maternal deaths, including children under five years of age.



Alfred Mregi (L), Commissioner (Large Taxpayers) with the Tanzania Revenue Authority, presents the Best Taxpayer award to Nanovas Construction Company Limited CEO Dr Alfred Msemo at a TRA prize-giving event held in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Promote human rights for sustainable growth, Dr Shoo tells clerics

By Correspondent James Lanka, Moshi

HEAD of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania (ELCT) Dr Fredrick Shoo has urged clerics to put much effort into promoting human rights for the country's sustainable development.

Dr Shoo who is also the bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church Northern Diocese (ELCT-ND) further cautioned that unity, peace and love of this country will be in danger if civil rights are denied.

He was opening the Religious Leaders workshop on Civic Rights and duties in the promotion of human rights and rule of law. The clerics' workshop on human rights promotions under the theme: 'Different Religions for Justice, Peace and Love

attracted various religious leaders from various mosques and churches from all districts of Kilimanjaro region as well as from Karatu district in Arusha region, among other dignitaries.

Dr Shoo said religious leaders have a big role to ensure that human rights are respected, stressing: "Today we are here at the Kilimanjaro Regional Interfaith symposium organized by the ELCT-ND under the sponsorship of the Norwegian Church Aid (NCA-Tanzania) through our interfaith standing committee on economic justice and integrity (ISCEJIC) to discuss issues related with the role of religious leaders in the promotions of human rights."

"It's our role as religious leaders to participate fully in promoting hu-

man rights through our preaching in mosques and churches; my appeal to all my fellow religious leaders is to abide by our ethics, it is not good for us engaging in partisan politics, as our role is to support and uphold democratic principles, values, being firm and fair to all." He insisted.

He added: "We as clerics should come up together, respecting each other's beliefs and values for the sustainable development of our nation. It's better we live together as brothers instead of dying together as fools."

The cleric further explained that, if the rights of the majority including the right to live, economic rights will be denied, the peace of this country will be in danger.

Bishop Dr Glorious said that apart

from maintaining peace and harmony in the country, the symposium that was dubbed: 'Different Religious-Peace and Love' also aims at promoting the role played by the religious institutions in the socio-economic activities in the country.

"Interfaith meeting is a very crucial meeting as it brings us together as brothers for the sustainable peace, love and socio-economic development of Tanzania as a nation regardless of our differences in our beliefs..." bishop Shoo explained.

Chief Sheikh from the Muslim Council of Tanzania (BAKWATA) in Kilimanjaro Region, Sheikh Shabani Mlewa said that apart from leading their followers to abide by God's rules, religious leaders should also emphasize them to work hard for

the sustainable economic development of our nation.

"Religious leaders also have the role to help and support the needy people in our communities for their survival." the Cleric further insisted.

The bishop of ELCT-Pare Diocese, Charles Mjema explained that the workshop has opened his eyes to how to improve and promote human rights education to his worshippers in his diocese.

"Through this human rights workshop to the religious leaders on human rights I got a good knowledge on how to improve and promote human rights to members of the community in the church I am working with," bishop Mjema explained.

A legal official from the Christian Council of Tanzania (CCT) advo-

catees Glory Mafole said happiness index determines people's welfare more than a socioeconomic index.

"We can't separate the happiness index and socio-economic index as they are like twins, we religious leaders should also put emphasis on our people to work hard to achieve their goals instead of achieving their goals by stealing other people's properties leaving them in extreme poverty," she explained.

The symposium was also attended by clerics from the Catholic Tanzania Episcopal Conference (TEC), the Christian Council of Tanzania (CCT), the Muslim Council of Tanzania (BAKWATA), and the Council of Pentecost Churches of Tanzania (CPCT), among many others.



United Bank for Africa (UBA) group managing director Oliver Alawuba (C) exchanges greetings with one of the bank's clients at a dinner the bank hosted late last week. Right is UBA Bank Tanzania managing director Gbenga Makinde. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Deputy mayor: Don't hide children with disabilities in homes

By Correspondent Devota Mwachang'a

KINONDONI Municipal Council, deputy mayor Joseph Rwegasira has encouraged parents of children with disabilities to stop hiding the kids in homes, but rather register them in government special schools where they will receive essential knowledge and social skills for their development.

Rwegasira said this in Dar es Salaam at the weekend during the launching of a special sports programme for children with disabilities which was hosted by the non-governmental institution Women Sports Initiatives (WoSI).

The event involved children with special needs from Sinza Special School (Sinza Special) and others from Mapambano Primary Primary school in Kinondoni District.

The launched program is aimed at providing inclusive sports to build cooperation spirit among children with disabilities and thus eradicate the mentality of stigma and isolation from societies.

"All children including those with physical and mental challenges have the right to access education, do not hide them, giving birth to a disabled child is not a sin...please don't hide them at home, by doing so you are creating stigmatize, violence and psychological torture against them," he uttered.

He said the government through Sinza Special School has a conducive curriculum that enables children to cope with the circumstances, teachers are adhering to the teaching guidelines and ethics code while dealing with

children with special needs.

"We have an empowerment programme for matured children after completing their primary education others are taken to join secondary school education while others enrolled at Community College - Yombo Dar es Salaam, it is a nice vocation training center for all disabled people and for their future welfare, the college is under Ministry of Social Development," the deputy mayor insisted.

He applauded WoSI for coming up with a social idea of associating children with disabilities and others in sports.

WoSI executive director, Lucy Mlula said as a non-profit organization they also motivate children with special needs to participate in sports and physical activities.

"We use sport as a tool to empower women and girls including those with disabilities to achieve gender equality and inclusivity in physical activity and sport," she said.

Mlula said Sinza Special School is merely a sample of many children with physical challenges in the streets, we are expecting to organize a meeting with parents whose children are disabled to ensure they get enough awareness concerning the relevance of taking their children to school hoping that their mindset will be transformed.

"Our plan in the near future is to conduct dialogues which will involve parents of children with special needs and other community members to see how the children get the opportunity and basic rights of participating in social activities including sports and physical exercises," she said.

'Fast-track amendment of Marriage Act for girls' safety'

By Correspondent Daniel Semberya

AS part of marking the International Day of Children, the government has been called for immediate action to review and amend the Marriage Act, of 1971 which sets the minimum marriage age for girls at 15.

Observing the day, which is marked every November 20, a number of Dar es Salaam-based children said that although the government has signed various international conventions that require it to safeguard the rights of children, still the Marriage Act of 1971 allows children, and girls under 18 years of age to be married.

Rahabu Francis from Minazini Secondary School of Dar es Salaam said: "We urge the government to do the needful to ensure that the Marriage Act of 1971 is amended so as to safeguard the girl child."

She however lauded the government for

putting in place various systems that allow pupils and students to formulate and participate fully in children's councils.

"We praise the government for formulating policy and different guidelines aiming at safeguarding and controlling the children's rights, like the laws and child's policy. Recently it has released the guidelines on how to establish children's protection desks, and councils," she said.

Sabrina Salum, a pupil from Gilman Ruthinda Primary School Kigogo Ward in Kinondoni commended the government for investing heavily in their rights and working tirelessly to ensure that the group access education and quality health services.

Miraji Ramadhani, a student from Mikocheni Secondary School in Dar es Salaam has urged the government and other key stakeholders in the education sector to

address the humiliation and violence done to children while at the school compound or outside the school compound.

He said the ongoing humiliation done to children at home, by their community and at school, has continued to affect the growth and progress of children.

Ramadhani mentioned bad acts that do affect children physically and psychologically such as beating, raping, insulting, and isolation among others.

He has urged the government to eliminate corporal punishment in schools, and instead come up with alternative punishments that will wisely change the behaviour of children and make them become more self-confident and trust those who teach them.

Sadiki, a pupil from Gilman Ruthinda Primary School said that climate change has posed a major challenge to girls especially

when they walk long distances searching for water.

He has therefore urged the government to ensure areas that lack access to clean water, especially during the dry season are provided with enough water, as one of the ways of addressing unwanted pregnancies among young girls.

Sarafina Frank, a student from Mikocheni Secondary school has urged the government and other key stakeholders to involve them when preparing for the national budget, policies, laws and plans, especially on matters touching on their well-being and children's rights

Save the Children's country director, Bester Mulauzi commended the government for its many great efforts in ensuring its children get all the needed rights.

However, he has called upon the government to put children, their voices and

demands at the centre of climate commitments and policies, especially children most impacted by inequalities and discrimination.

He also urged the government to invest in safety nets and other essential services such as school feeding programmes. To benefit the children and families threatened by the climate crisis.

Mulauzi has further urged the government to amend the education act and its regulations so as to abolish corporal punishment in schools and promote alternative means of discipline.

"Save the Children is ready to pilot the training and provide support to schools on corporal punishment."

He further requested the government to fast-track the amendment of the marriage act and ensure that children especially girls are safe.

Young software engineer dreams of turning Tanzania into technological hub

TANZANIA'S young software engineer minces no words when he says he spends sleepless nights thinking of how long will it take to making his country a technological hub.

Jumanne Mtambalike, 35, is chief executive officer and co-founder of Sahara Ventures, a company founded in 2016 to build a stable innovation, technology and entrepreneurship ecosystem in Tanzania and Africa through consultancy and investment, with 15 permanent employees in innovation technology and entrepreneurship and more than 60 consultants.

One of Mtambalike's in-tray to do list is the making of the first ever technological district along the New Bagamoyo Road in the country's commercial hub of Dar es Salaam.

"Sahara Ventures and partners decided to push this agenda of making Silicon Dar es Salaam and are now planning to engage with the government through the Kinondoni municipal council authorities to see if we can be able to promote this technological district," the software engineer told Xinhua in his 4th floor office located in a 15-storey building along the New Bagamoyo Road.

He said the technological infrastructure along the New Bagamoyo Road makes it the right candidate for becoming Tanzania's technological district.

Mtambalike said the government has already put in place investments along the road that are suitable for making it a fully fledged technological district, including the headquarters of the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH), the Universal Communications Service Access Fund (UCSAF), the Tanzania Telecommunications Corporation and the University of Dar es Salaam's College of Information and Communication Technologies (CoICT).

These state-run technological institutions along the New Bagamoyo Road have lately been joined by the country's leading mobile



Jumanne Mtambalike, chief executive officer and co-founder of Sahara Ventures, speaks during an interview with Xinhua in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, on Nov. 16, 2022. (Photo by Herman Emmanuel/Xinhua)

phone companies, he said, adding: "We are also seeing innovations hubs and data hubs relocating along the road."

"But we are also seeing banks, innovative and startup companies relocating along the same area, naturally making this place a technology district of Tanzania," said Mtambalike, the father of one child.

He added that "if one is looking for startup companies, if one is looking for innovators, if one is looking for young people who are working on emerging technolo-

gies such as artificial intelligence, big data and internet of things, this is the place to find them."

Mtambalike said a technology district has many benefits, including creating employment opportunities for young people and at the same time pushing the country toward a digital economy.

"A technology district is also a platform where some innovations can emerge to solve some of the challenges facing our country today, in health, in education and

in agriculture," he said.

Mtambalike said in May 2016 he visited China for two weeks under the Migratory Bird Program, a non-profit event hosted in Yunqi Cloud Town, Hangzhou, China, that aims to bring the world's youth together for science and technology.

"My visit to China was an eye opener. I learned how the country is doing in promoting technological districts," said the software engineer who graduated at Bangalore University in India in 2011.

He said he was invited to the 2050 Vision program where he attended an event on Cloud City in China where he was able to visit some of the smart cities in China, adding that he visited some of the software and app development companies as well as gadget production companies. "The visit to China was very inspiring to me because I saw the vision of Silicon Dar es Salaam in practical," said Mtambalike.

He said he learned that a fully fledged technological district can have assembling plants for phones, assembling plants for computers and one can be able to manufacture low cost designs, adding that "I see that this is possible through strategic partnership and collaboration in Tanzania."

Mtambalike said China is leading in the world when one looks at the number of new innovations and new technologies.

"Right now Sahara Ventures has initiated a campaign called startups schools where we encourage university students to start their own startups," he said, adding that the program is being implemented at the CoICT, the Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology in the northern city of Arusha and the University of Iringa.

"Our goal is to create as many startups founder companies as possible to address the issue of unemployment in the country because we believe that if we can create job creators instead of job seekers then we can have massive impact in the country," said Mtambalike.

Sahara Ventures believes the best way to solve the problem is to build a sustainable business around it," said Mtambalike at the conclusion of the interview with Xinhua.

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Malawian student invents sign language gloves in bid to enhance communication

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AS the saying goes, "necessity is the mother of invention", failure to satisfactorily communicate with a close friend with speech impairment got 21-year-old final year student at Malawi's University of Business and Applied Sciences (MUBAS) thinking.

The young student, Madalitso Mnduwira, has ended up devising gloves that when worn and used in sign language gestures, they interpret the communication in speech using English or local languages.

Mnduwira, who is studying Information Technology at the University told Xinhua that in a recent interview, with the innovation, he hopes that those with impairment that require use of sign language to communicate will be able to do so effectively.

"The speech gloves, which have been made using locally made low-cost materials, will help bridging communication gaps between people with hearing impairment and the public," explained the innovator.

The prototype of the invention has undergone trials and, according to Mnduwira, it has proven to be accurate and effective.

The innovative student, who fell in love with science subjects right from his secondary school days, intends to produce as many gloves as possible to ease communication between those with hearing or speech impairments and the public.

"This is just a prototype of the product to come," he explained. "I hope to find sponsors to fund mass production of the product

so that many people can be assisted." Mnduwira's innovation has already attracted the attention of many, including persons with speech and hearing impairments who rely on sign language to communicate.

A 26-year-old business woman based in Malawi's commercial city of Blantyre, Mercy Kathemba, is among those in praise of the new innovation.

The woman was born deaf and she told Xinhua that communicating with her customers using sign language has always been daunting.

"It is always tricky and difficult to communicate to my customers: most people in my area cannot understand sign language and it's always expensive to hire someone to interpret my sign language," explained the woman.

"I strongly believe that this development is going to provide solutions to most of our communication problems. I look forward to these speech gloves being more affordable to reach many people," she added.

Malawi Council for the Handicapped (MACHOHA) has also raised its eyebrows in anticipation of advanced communication through the "speech gloves".

The Council's public relations officer, Harriet Kachimanga, also noted that many people are not conversant with sign language and that Mnduwira's innovation will make it easier for people who cannot use sign language to comprehend the gestures.

"This is a very good development: There are persons with hearing and speech impair-



Madalitso Mnduwira shows his glove invention in Blantyre, Malawi, Nov. 10, 2022. (Photo by Joseph Mizere/Xinhua)

ments with knowledge and skills that can advance the country's development but they do not contribute fully to the society because of communication limitations," explained Kachimanga.

"We believe that development of such

innovations will make it easier for persons with speech and hearing impairments to communicate with the public personally and contribute to matters of national interest," she concluded.

According to the African Sign Language

Resource Centre, Malawi has very few trained interpreters and most of them are not accredited. Out of a population of 52,000 deaf people, there are only 11 interpreters, who work as volunteers and they are not salaried.

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Information, Communication and Information Technology, minister Hon. Nape Nnauye (left) presents the Overall National most compliant Tax Payer Award to NMB CEO Ruth Zaipuna during an ceremony organised by TRA. Right is NMB chief finance officer Juma Kimori. Photo by Guardian Correspondent

NMB Bank named best taxpayer for 2021/2022

By Guardian Correspondent

NMB Bank Plc emerged the overall winner of the 2022 Tax Payers' Awards during a Gala night organized by the Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) in Dar es Salaam last week.

The awards recognize and celebrate businesses and individual taxpayers who have been compliant in remitting their taxes during the respective financial year.

Apart from scooping the Overall National most compliant Tax Payer Award, NMB also won the most Compliant and largest Tax Payer in the banking sector, while emerging 2nd runner-up in Large Tax Payers category across all sectors, bringing the total number of awards won by the bank to three.

Speaking shortly after receiving the awards, the NMB Bank Chief Executive Officer Ruth Zaipuna said the awards validate the Bank's commitment to tax compliance and contribution to the social and economic development of Tanzania.

The award, she said, had been made possible by the company's leadership vision and employees' continued commitment to uphold best in class operating standards.

"Regulatory compliance is a core pillar of our corporate governance, and these awards reinforce our drive to continue upholding compliance as part of our five values at NMB. These awards continue to prove that - as Tanzania's largest bank - our success translates to the prosperity of millions of our fellow Tanzanians. I thank our employees for being diligent to their work and for their unwavering commitment to fuel the growth of our Bank and the Nation at large," Zaipuna said.

Zaipuna added, "As we celebrate this important recognition, we will continue subscribing to best in class operating and compliance standards - being excellency driven - in all our areas of work as we seek to increase our contribution to the economy and

solidify our position as a true partner in supporting Tanzania's development agenda"

The Minister for Information, Communication and Information Technology, Hon. Nape Nnauye (Mp) during the event noted that the taxes collected during the financial year enabled the Government to implement various development projects across the country.

"The Government recognizes the role of tax payers in the country's development process. Without these taxes, the Government will not be in the position to implement development projects in full-scale. So, as we celebrate today, I would like to take this opportunity to thank companies and individuals for being tax compliant," he said.

Hon. Minister Nape during the event commended TRA for realizing the set tax collection targets and urged the authority to continue building mutual relationships with tax payers that will enhance voluntary tax payment.

"Collecting 22.28trn/- in taxes being a 99 percentage of 22.4trn/- target is a very big achievement. I commend TRA's management and staff for this achievement," Nnauye said.

Nnauye also reiterated Government's commitment to continue improving the business environment across the country to enable both local and foreign businesses and businessmen to operate in a more conducive environment.



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Dar stock market maintains bullish trend

By Correspondent Geoffrey Nangai

The Tanzanian equities market had another bullish momentum last week, as investors' appetite remained stimulated, resulting in positive trading activities through the week.

According to data from the Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange (DSE) market activities registered an upward tick registering a turnover of 2.44bn/- marking a week-on-week increase of 83 per cent from 1.33bn/- registered the previous week.

One pre-arranged deal was executed during the week where 2,640,000 CRDB shares were traded at an average price of 380/- per share.

CRDB and NMB for the second week in row continued to dominate the overall market turnover figure by 91.9 per cent and 3.7 per cent respectively.

Price movement however recorded on two domestic counters during the week, with the MBP losing the most value within the week as its stock dropped by 2.38 per cent to close off at 410/- per share.

NMB also lost 0.71 per cent of its value closing off the week at 2,800/- per share



The Tanzania share index (TSI) closed at 3,829.01 points decreasing by 0.1 per cent and the All Share Index (DSEI) closed at 1,870.06 points increasing by 1.18 per cent.

Total market capitalization went up by 1.18 per cent to 15.58bn/- while Domestic market capitalization went down by 0.1 per cent closing at 10.12bn/-

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According to market analysts Q4, 2020 commenced with global heightened recessionary woes, as intensified geopolitical risks sustained energy-induced inflationary pressures. But according to the

Zan Securities Chief Executive Officer Raphael Masumbuko, "Domestically the DSE has swam against the global sell-off tide, equity investors' sentiments were lifted by positive Q3'22 results of a number of counters such as NMB, CRDB, TCC, TWIGA and TBL. Masumbuko added,

"Expectations for a higher bottom line for FY'22 will drive prices of respective counters upwards. With system liquidity being constrained by a tight monetary policy cycle. We see potential opportunities in stocks with strong fundamentals and attractive entry points"

Govt to intensify fighting counterfeiters, smuggling

By Francis Kajubi

THE Industry, Trade and Investment ministry has pledged high protection of local investors and businesses against counterfeit and smuggling to boost their returns on investments.

Deputy Minister for investment, industry, and trade Exaud Kigaha declared the interest at the monthly CEOrt dialogue meeting held last Friday in Dar es Salaam.

"The government has started reviewing the laws and regulations regarding businesses and investments. Alongside this initiative, the ministry has set strategies in assisting its regulatory institutions such as the Tanzania Bureau of

Standards and;

The Fair Competition Commission with funds and manpower so that they can smoothly deal with smugglers and counterfeiters in protection of investors and businesses," said Kigaha.

He said the government is increasing efforts to improve the country's business climate and attract more domestic and foreign investors.

Following recent developments that include the endorsed Tanzania Investment Act 2022, the CEO Roundtable of Tanzania (CEOrt) held discussions with the minister on the role of the private sector in supporting the country's socio-economic development through

investments.

Kigaha said with a wealth of market opportunities, Tanzania offers an attractive operating environment that investors can leverage.

"From improved capital requirements and tax incentives, to centralizing all laws and regulations regarding investment matters, the government is making ongoing efforts to make the business climate more investor-friendly," said Kigaha.

CEOrt Chairman David Tarimo commended the government's initiatives that lead to creation of more jobs, build industries, and meet the needs of economic growth.

As part of its objectives, he said, the CEOrt continues to champion and facilitate enhanced public-private dialogue towards policy and regulatory reform in order to create a friendly business environment for Tanzania's sustainable development.

He appreciated that the private sector has been placed at the center of driving foreign direct investment by the government

He said as representatives of the private sector, the business leaders within the forum have an opportunity to drive dialogue with the public sector on the overarching issues within the investment space.

"Our session with the deputy minister explores how the private sector can participate in identifying and promoting the right investment opportunities within Africa in order to continue driving Tanzania's sustainable growth trajectory," said Tarimo.

Tarimo affirmed that with frequent sessions, the CEOrt looks forward to unpacking the expectations of both sectors in fostering a more predictable business environment, and the role of the private sector in supporting the country's socio-economic development aspirations as far as investment is concerned.

CEO Roundtable represents CEOs from almost 200 leading companies in Tanzania cutting across multiple sectors of the economy with a shared purpose to enhance impact in leadership and the country's sustainable socio-economic prosperity.

Collectively, members of the CEOrt contribute to Tanzania's economy through tax collection, employment, capacity building, technology transfer and skills development.



CEOrt chairman David Tarimo.

Shanta to have new gold mine in Singida

By Guardian Correspondent

Shanta Gold, whose sole current producing asset is the New Luika gold mine in the Lupa goldfield of Tanzania, will soon have a second gold mine - Singida - up and running.

Located in the Ikungi District of the Singida region of Central Tanzania, Singida will initially be a considerably smaller operation than New Luika with a projected annual life of mine (LOM) gold production of 32 000 oz at an all-in sustaining cost (AISC) of US\$950/oz over an initial mine life of seven years.

By comparison, New Luika is expected to produce between 68 and 76 000 oz in 2022 at an AISC of \$1 150-1 275/oz. Construction of Singida is already over three-quarters complete (as of mid-October 2022) and the project is on course to pour its first gold in Q1, 2023.

Once its production is added to New Luika's, AIM-listed Shanta will be a plus 100 000 ozpa producer.

"Singida is located within a greenstone belt which has been subjected to very little exploration, so clearly there is an excellent chance that we

will find additional resources," he says.

"In addition, only 26% of current resources are included in the existing LOM plan. Most of our reserves are within 150 m of surface, so there is also plenty of scope for reserve expansion at depth."

Shanta is so confident that it will expand the resource base at Singida that it has taken the decision to size the project for expansion by installing a much bigger crusher than the operation will initially need and by over-sizing the tailings facility. Although Singida has been in Shanta's portfolio for many

years, the decision to develop it was only taken two years ago.

Zurrin says: "Going back around 15 years, Shanta had both Singida and New Luika in its portfolio. As a junior, the company didn't have the resources to develop both projects simultaneously, so it concentrated its efforts on New Luika, which entered production in late 2012."

Shanta remained active on Singida - even when it was devoting most of its energies to New Luika - producing an initial resource estimate in 2008, a PFS in 2010, a feasibility study in 2014 and a

technical report in 2017.

In 2018, it initiated fresh exploration and infill drilling on the project; while in 2019 it explored the possibility of an IPO on the Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange to finance Singida's development.

"By 2020 we had come to the conclusion that Singida was an asset of real value that should be progressed through to development," says Zurrin. "The board approved the project and in October 2020 we were able to report that we had updated the project economics and that we were starting construction work on

the mine, with the investment being funded from internally generated cash flow."

The update of the project economics produced some attractive figures: a LOM free cash flow of \$94 million, a post-tax NPV (8%) of \$56 million and an unlevered post-tax IRR of 49% using a LOM gold price of \$1 700/oz. The capital cost was estimated at \$36.8 million (including stripping costs of \$10 million) with payback expected within 40 months.

"We have managed to stay within our project budget quite comfortably, which reflects the fact that we ordered the 'big

ticket' items quite early on before the global inflation that we're currently seeing take hold," notes Zurrin.

"The ball mill, for example, was ordered in late 2020 and the crusher in early 2021. We now estimate the project capex at close to \$40 million - somewhat higher than the figure we originally envisaged - but this is mainly accounted for by our decision to oversize some of the project infrastructure. The bigger crusher is costing us an extra \$0.6 million and the bigger tailings facility an extra \$2 million."

Dr Mpango lauds NBC for supporting industrial sector

By Guardian Reporter

Vice President Dr. Philip Mpango has lauded the National Bank of Commerce (NBC) for its great contribution to supporting the country's industrial sector through its various financial services that help promote and increase the efficiency of production in the important sector.

Dr Mpango made the remarks over the weekend in Dar es Salaam when speaking at the 16th President's Manufacturer of the Year Awards (PMAYA) ceremony, where he represented President Samia Suluhu Hassan.

The VP said the contribution of financial institutions in promoting the growth of the industrial sector is vital as it stimulates the growth of capital and thus increases competition and efficiency in the domestic and foreign markets.

"Just as the stakeholders of the industrial sector consider NBC Bank as an important partner of the sector, I also on behalf of the government congratulate NBC and all other stakeholders for being



Vice President Dr Philip Mpango (2nd R) presents a trophy to senior officials of the National Bank of Commerce (NBC) led by managing director Theobald Sabi (2nd L) to recognize the bank's contribution to the development of the country's industrial sector in the 16th President's Manufacturer of the Year Awards (PMAYA) organized by the Confederation of Tanzania Industries (CTI) in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. The bank was also the main sponsor of the event. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

with this important sector."

"Your contribution is very important. I'm asking you to keep the pace as the industrial sector depends more on good financial services... congratulations to NBC," he congratulated the bank that was also the main sponsor of the awards organized by the Confederation of Tanzania Industries

(CTI).

NBC Bank managing director Theobald Sabi said that the bank's great success is largely due to the strong commitment and efforts of the government that prioritized the growth of the industrial and commercial sectors.

"Our participation in events like

this gives us great prestige since we get time to be with our important stakeholders and most importantly we all meet with a joint mission aimed at economic growth and productive competition for the benefit of our nation. We are very grateful to CTI for seeing NBC as the right partner in accomplishing the important mission,"

he said.

According to Sabi, through digital adoption, the bank has now succeeded in simplifying the delivery of its services to all customers, including industrial owners who now do not have to visit the bank's branches to get services as they can complete all the important transactions while in their business through digital services.

"Besides the efficiency in the provision of our services, we are also proud of the existing co-operation with our customers through our 'NBC Biashara Clubs'. Through the clubs we have been able to undergo training on business to our customers as well as creating business networks among them," he said.

He further asked all the industrial stakeholders to ensure that they invest in the bank's Twiga Bond so that they can benefit from the various benefits that come from the Bond.

"The minimum purchase of the bond amount is 500,000/-. Investors in the NBC Twiga Bond will earn a whopping interest rate of 10% per annum, payable semi-annually throughout the five years until December 2027. The interest rate paid is free from withholding tax deductions. So we welcome all industry stakeholders to invest in the bond that also aims to boost business financing and other economic activities," he appealed.

Vodacom launches "Amsha Ndoto, Amsha Shangwe" Festive campaign

By Guardian Reporter

Vodacom Tanzania Plc has launched its 8-week festive campaign dubbed "Amsha Ndoto, Amsha Shangwe" which will see its customers win various prizes during this festive season with a weekly winner of 10mn/- and five daily winners of 1mn/- each.

Apart from cash prizes, customers will stand a chance to win smartphones, smart TVs, 5G routers, free Voda Bima cover and Paisha rides.

Vodacom customers can participate in the campaign and stand a chance to win any of the prizes by buying bundles via M-Pesa, or using Paisha services. All eligible transactions performed via M-Pesa during the promo window, will enter the draw and stand a chance to win.

Speaking at the launch ceremony in Dar es Salaam, Vodacom Tanzania Plc managing director Philip Besimire said the company has made it a tradition to reward its customers during the festive season signifying how Vodacom appreciates their support.

"The festive season is important and exciting to all of us. We get to unwind, spend more time with our loved ones and reflect on our achievements for the year while planning for the New Year ahead. During this time, we tend to visit our families and buy presents for them, for us at Vodacom, our customers are our family, and this is why in the past few years we embarked on this campaign to reward our esteemed customers with various prizes to make their festive season more joyful," said Besimire.

He said Vodacom hopes to make its customers' dreams a reality during the campaign period and went on to urge Vodacom customers to use M-Pesa to make transactions and increase their chances of winning the grand prize.

"Whether it owns a car, starting a business, paying for school, finishing a house or going for that dream vacation, Vodacom would like to help our customers realize these dreams. We believe the gifts will also spread cheer to our customers," he said.

"Our very own Masta Shangwe character will be going across the country spreading cheer and urging our customers to dream BIG because they can win with Vodacom" he added.

The campaign is available to all customers (pre-paid and postpaid), whereas a customer will make a wish via the M-Pesa App or the USSD menu to stand a chance to win any of the physical rewards.

All customers are eligible to win the weekly 10mn/- grand prize. Entry into the draw is by transacting on any of the eligible transactions.

Knauf to invest 115bn/- in Mkuranga plant

By Guardian Reporter

Knauf Gypsum Tanzania is impressed by country's conducive business environment that has enabled steady growth in the local construction sector.

The company with German origin has so far invested over 163bn/- invested in production of building materials such as gypsum boards, Moisture resistant Boards, Fire Resistant Boards, Skimming plasters and metal profiles and has announced a plan to invest further 115bn/-.

Speaking at the end of the year gala dinner event hosted by the company to acknowledge support of its customers and stakeholders, Knauf East Africa Regional Director Ilse Boshoff said the company was grateful to the government, customers and industrial players for making Knauf investment journey exciting in Tanzania.

"Knauf Tanzania is moving from strength to strength. Our story begun in 2014 when we opened a representative office here in Tanzania and later on Knauf Gypsum Tanzania in 2015. The process of acquiring assets for a local gypsum board production company began in 2015 and became a local Tanzanian producer in 2017," she said.

The Regional Director said, in 2018 con-



Knauf Gypsum Tanzania Limited marketing manager Lilian Mangaru (L) presents over an appreciation award to Dickson Mtekere (C) of Shananga Group Limited as part of recognizing dealership of the company products. Photo by a Correspondent

struction of the state-of-the-art production plant in Mkuranga commenced and in 2020, it was commissioned with production capacity of 15Mio.m2/year adding that the 38mil. Euro project was self-financed through capital injection by the German Knauf Interna-

tional GmbH,"

Announcing the new plan to expand Mkuranga plant she said "Mkuranga plant current capacity is 15 million square meters a year. We further expect to expand our capacity to 43 million square meters a year in 2025 with an invest-

ment of Tshs 115bn/-."

With the new expansion at Mkuranga she further noted that Knauf Tanzania will be the largest production facility in East and Sub-Saharan Africa and production Capacity will triple the size of the current capacity (40.5 million square

meters a year) and at the same time the export volume will increase to 170%

Dickson Mtekere, Knauf customer from Dar es Salaam based Shananga Group Limited Knauf thanked the company for organizing the event which served a networking opportunity as well as a platform to know company's plans.

"I'm grateful to Knauf Tanzania for organizing this event which apart from networking has also provided to us as partners, useful insights about the company. We have been informed that the company has employed over 160 Tanzanians directly and many other across its business value chain. The expansion of Mkuranga plant will create new employment and business opportunities and the government will get more revenue through various taxes. This is commendable investment which benefits all of us," he said.

Knauf Gypsum Tanzania was formed in 2015 with a regional head office in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, and a busy branch office in Nairobi, Kenya.

The company has quickly become known not just as a supplier of high-quality German products but also as a solution provider, with the knowledge and expertise to guide its customers.

Exim Bank announces campaign draw winners

By Guardian Reporter

EXIM Bank Tanzania has announced winners of the second draw of its 'Chanja Kijanja, Kimasta Zaidi' campaign which aims to entice its MasterCard holders to use their card instead of cash for payment of goods and services at merchant's Point of Sales (POS) or e-commerce sites.

The campaign that was launched early this month gives a total of 185 will see a total of 185 winners among the bank's customers who increasingly use the bank's Mastercards for transactions and stand in a position to win various prizes including cash, Smartphones, and all expenses paid trips to Dubai, Turkey, and South Africa with their beloved ones.

Announcing the winners of the second weekly draw of the campaign yesterday in Dar es Salaam recently,

the bank's Alternative Banking and Customer Service Officer, Gregory Malembeka said a total of 15 winners emerged through the draw and that the bank is satisfied with a great response from its customers in the use of the cards following the campaign.

"The campaign has shown success even in its initial stage. It has been received well by our customers, a clear sign that our customers enjoy and make good use of our services," said Malembeka during the draw supervised by the Gaming Board of Tanzania (GBT).

According to him, during the campaign, every spending worth 100,000/- and above in a single receipt or cumulatively charged to the bank's MasterCard will be eligible to enter a raffle.

"This is a second draw whereas every week, there will be a draw and 15 lucky

customers will stand a chance to win a cash reward worth 100,000/-," he said, adding: "Further, every month there will be a draw where external customers will get the chance to win the brand-new iPhone 14 pro with the minimum eligibility being spending worth 400,000/- and above in a single receipt or cumulatively."

Commenting on the grand prize for the campaign winners, Malembeka said the winners would be rewarded with a five (5) day vacation trip to the mentioned destinations with their beloved ones.

"So, the first winner will win a prize to go to Dubai with his partner, and while there they will have the opportunity to visit various centers including the 'Museum Of The Future' and the Safari Desert. The second winner will go to Turkey

with his partner and while there they will have the opportunity to visit several attractions including the famous Blue Mosque located in the city of Istanbul," he said.

"So just for doing the right thing like shopping online via their Exim Mastercards we are more than willing as a bank to reward our first winner with an all-expenses paid trip to Dubai where they will have the opportunity to visit a number of beautiful locations including 'the Museum Of The Future' and the Safari Desert," he motioned

The second winner will make it to Turkey with his/her beloved ones and while there they will have the opportunity to visit several locations as well including the famous Blue Mosque that is located in the city of Istanbul, according to Malembeka.



Exim Bank Tanzania's alternative banking and customer service officer, Gregory Malembeka (L), along with officials from the Gaming Board of Tanzania (GBT) talk (Via phone) to one of the winners of the bank's 'Chanja Kijanja, Kimasta Zaidi' campaign weekly draw held in Dar es Salaam recently. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Germany tightens rules for firms dependent on China

China's service outsourcing logs vibrant growth

BEIJING

China's service outsourcing industry saw a steady expansion in the first 10 months of this year, according to data from the Ministry of Commerce.

Chinese firms inked service outsourcing contracts worth about 1.54 trillion yuan (about 216 billion U.S. dollars) in the January-October period, up 14.4 percent year on year.

The executed contract value stood at 1.06 trillion yuan during the period, with a year-on-year increase of 13.3 percent.

Of the total, the value of the offshore service outsourcing contract rose 14.6 percent over the same period last year to 875.7 billion yuan.

In terms of the executed contract value, offshore service outsourcing with the United States, the European Union and members of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership expanded 10.5 percent, 19.6 percent and 7.5 percent year on year, respectively, in the first 10 months of this year.

Outsourcing refers to hiring an outside party to carry out services or produce goods typically undertaken by in-house employees.



BERLIN

Germany's foreign ministry plans to tighten the rules for companies deeply exposed to China, making them disclose more information and possibly conduct stress tests for geopolitical risks, a confidential draft document seen by Reuters said.

The proposed measures are part of a new business strategy towards China being drawn up by Chancellor Olaf Scholz's government as it seeks to reduce its dependency on Asia's economic superpower.

"The aim is to change the incentive structure for German companies with market economy instruments so that reducing export dependency is more attractive," said the document, singling out the chemicals and car industries.

A spokesperson for the foreign ministry declined to comment.

The draft, drawn up by the Greens' Annalena Baerbock, still has to be agreed by other ministries. A final decision on the China strategy is expected early next year.

Deep trade ties bind Asia and Europe's biggest economies, with rapid Chinese expansion and demand for Germany's cars and machinery fuelling its own growth over the past two decades. China became Germany's single biggest trade partner in 2016.

However, the relationship has come under close scrutiny since Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February, which led to the end of a decade-long energy relationship with Moscow and caused numerous companies to ditch their local businesses.

"We must not make this

mistake again. This is the responsibility of politicians and companies," said the document.

Among the steps outlined in the 65-page paper, some of which have already been reported, is a tightening of rules for firms active in China to ensure geopolitical risks are accounted for.

"We aim to oblige companies particularly exposed to China to specify and summarize relevant China-related developments and figures, for example in the form of a separate notification obligation, on the basis of existing disclosure requirements," said the document.

"On this basis, we will assess whether affected companies should conduct regular stress tests in order to identify China-specific risks at an early stage and take corrective measures."

Investment guarantees will face greater scrutiny to take account of the environmental impact, work and social standards and to avoid forced labour in the supply chain, said the document. To avoid cluster risks, investment guarantees should be limited to 3 billion euros per company per country, it added.

The government also plans to tighten export credit guarantees to avoid unwanted technology transfer, in particular sensitive dual-use technologies and those that can be used for surveillance and repression, said the document. The new strategy, pushed hard by the Greens in the coalition, led by Social Democrat Scholz but also including the pro-business Free Democrats, marks a departure from Berlin's policies under former conservative Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Global stocks gain on hopes recession waning

NEW YORK/LONDON

Global equities edged up and a key part of the Treasury yield curve inverted further on Friday, a sign the US economy will stall next year and that investors hope will lead the Federal Reserve to back off its aggressive hiking of interest rates.

Surprisingly strong retail sales data this week hammered home the idea that the Fed will tighten monetary policy further even though soft consumer and producer price pressures suggested inflation has peaked and would allow for lower rates.

Treasury yields rose for a second day following hawkish comments on Thursday by St. Louis Fed President James Bullard, who said rates needed to rise to at least a range between 5% and 5.25% to be "sufficiently restrictive" to curb inflation.

The remarks were a blow to investors who had wagered rates would peak at 5% or below. Futures now show the Fed funds rate at 5.05% by May, up from 3.83% now. But futures also show rates will slide to 4.66% in December 2023 on expectations the Fed will move to ease policy as the economy weakens.

Boston Fed President Susan Collins added to the Fed's headline stance, telling CNBC that with little evidence price pressures are waning policymakers may need to deliver another 75 basis-point rate hike to get inflation under control.

Three top policymakers in Europe also said the European Central Bank must raise rates high enough to dampen growth as it too fights high inflation.

"Where we think the market is getting it wrong, is pricing in rate cuts next year," said Dec Mullarkey, managing director of investment strategy and asset allocation at SLC Management.

"Powell often has made the point, 'we're concerned that if you let up too quickly, that you'll have a second surge of inflation,' and that's not something they want to repeat," Mullarkey said, referring to Fed Chairman Jerome Powell.

The market sees a recession next year as the yield spread between two- and 10-year Treasuries was -71 basis points, an inversion of the yield curve that has not reached such depths since at least 2000.

When yields are less on the 10-year note than the two-year, a security that reflects interest rate expectations, it suggests a slowdown or worse and that the Fed will cut rates to spur the economy.

The impact of rising rates was felt in housing, where U.S. existing

home sales tumbled for a record ninth straight month in October as the 30-year fixed mortgage rate hit a 20-year high.

The two-year note's yield rose 7.7 basis points to 4.531%, much higher than the 10-year note, which was up 5 basis points at 3.823%.

The MSCI world equities index rose 0.48% but was heading for a loss of about 0.5% on the week, coming off recent two-month highs. The pan-European STOXX 600 index 1.16%, its best one-day performance in more than a week.

Inflows into global equity funds hit their highest level in 35 weeks in the week to Wednesday, according to a report from Bank of America (BoFA), as investor optimism brightened.

Stocks rose on Wall Street in a choppy session. The Dow Jones Industrial Average advanced 0.6%, the S&P 500 gained 0.48% and the Nasdaq Composite crept 0.01% higher. For the week, the Dow was unchanged, the S&P 500 fell 0.69% and the Nasdaq shed 1.57%.

The euro fell 0.35% to \$1.0324, having eased from a four-month peak of \$1.0481 hit on Tuesday as some policymakers argued for caution on tightening.

The yen weakened 0.15% versus the dollar at 140.41.

Chinese blue chips dropped 0.45% amid reports that Beijing had asked banks to check liquidity in the bond market after soaring yields caused losses for some investors.

There were also concerns that a surge in COVID-19 cases in China would challenge plans to ease strict movement curbs that have throttled the economy.

Japan's Nikkei slipped 0.1% as data showed inflation running at a 40-year high as a weak yen stoked import costs.

Oil fell about 2% and logged its second weekly decline, pressured by concern about weakening demand in China and further increases to U.S. interest rates.

US crude futures fell \$1.56 to settle at \$80.08 a barrel, while Brent settled down \$2.16 at \$87.62.

US gold futures settled 0.5% lower at \$1,754.4 an ounce.

Bitcoin fell 0.31% to \$16,634.00.



Where we think the market is getting it wrong, is pricing in rate cuts next year



ITV

MONDAY 21 Nov

5:00 Igizo rpt: Uzalo
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:30 HABARI
8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
8:55 Habari za saa
9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo
9:30 Soap rpt: I Plead Guilty
9:55 Habari za saa
10:00 Watoto wetu
10:55 Habari za saa
11:00 World Cup review
11:50 Habari za saa
12:00 Al Jazeera
12:30 Kipindi maalum rpt: TET
12:55 Habari za saa
13:00 Mjue Zaidi
13:40 Art and Lifestyle rpt
13:55 Habari za saa
14:10 Soap rpt: Rebecca
14:40 Mapiishi
14:55 Habari za saa
15:00 Meza Huru
16:30 Watoto Wetu
17:00 The Base
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 Igizo: Mizengwe
18:30 DW: Afrimaxx
19:00 Alya ya Jamii
19:30 Soap: I Plead Guilty
20:00 Habari
21:05 Dakika 45
22:00 Bundesliga na DW
23:00 Habari
23:30 The Base
00:30 Al Jazeera
02:00 DWTV

TUESDAY 22 Nov

5:00 Igizo rpt: Uzalo
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:30 HABARI
8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
8:55 Habari za saa
9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo
9:30 Soap rpt: I Plead Guilty
10:00 Watoto wetu
10:25 Jagina rpt
10:55 Habari za saa
11:00 World Cup review
11:55 Habari za saa
12:00 Al Jazeera
12:30 Alya ya Jamii
12:55 Habari za saa
13:00 Ripoti Maalum
13:35 Shikabamba
13:55 Habari za saa
14:00 Shikabamba
14:10 Kipindi maalum rpt: PSSSF
14:25 Igizo rpt: Rebecca
14:55 Habari za saa
15:00 Meza Huru
16:30 Watoto wetu
17:00 The Base
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 Mapiishi
18:30 Kipindi Maalum: Sema na Mahakama ya TZ - Live
19:30 Soap: I Plead Guilty
20:00 Habari

WEDNESDAY 23 Nov

5:00 Igizo rpt: Uzalo
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:30 HABARI
8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
8:55 Habari za saa
9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo
9:30 Soap: I Plead Guilty
9:55 Habari za saa
10:00 Watoto wetu
10:25 Uchumi wetu
10:55 Habari za saa
11:00 World Cup review
11:55 Habari za saa
12:00 Al Jazeera
12:30 Bundesliga rpt
12:55 Habari za saa
13:00 Dakika 45 rpt
13:55 Habari za saa
14:00 Kipindi maalum: NSSF rpt
14:15 Chetu ni chetu
14:55 Habari za saa
15:00 Meza Huru
16:30 Watoto Wetu
17:00 The Base
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 Igizo: Mizengwe rpt
18:30 Jungu Kuu rpt
19:00 Jarida la wanawake
19:30 Soap: I Plead Guilty
20:00 Habari
21:05 Albu Yako
21:10 Kipindi Maalum: Tanesco
21:40 Kipindi maalum: Pesa Fasta
22:00 Ripoti maalum
22:30 Soap: Uzalo
23:00 Habari
23:30 The Base
00:30 Al Jazeera
02:00 DWTV

THURSDAY 24 Nov

5:00 Igizo rpt: Uzalo
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:30 HABARI
8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
8:55 Habari za saa
9:00 Kumekucha kishindo
9:30 Soap rpt: I Plead Guilty
9:55 Habari za saa
10:00 Watoto wetu
10:30 Shamba lulu
10:55 Habari za saa
11:00 World Cup review
11:55 Habari za saa
12:00 Al Jazeera
12:30 Jarida la wanawake rpt
12:55 Habari za saa
13:00 Kipindi maalum rpt: TET
13:30 Shansham za pwani rpt
13:55 Habari za saa
14:00 Shansham za pwani rpt
14:30 Igizo rpt: Mizengwe
14:55 Habari za saa

FRIDAY 25 Nov

5:00 Igizo rpt: Uzalo
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:30 HABARI
8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
8:55 Habari za saa
9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo
9:30 Soap rpt: I Plead Guilty
9:55 Habari za saa
10:00 Watoto wetu
10:30 Usafiri Wako
10:55 Habari za saa
11:00 World Cup review
11:55 Habari za saa
12:00 Al Jazeera
12:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt: Tanesco
12:55 Habari za saa
13:00 Kipindi Maalum: Maisha ni Nyumba rpt
13:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt: Sema na Mahakama ya TZ
13:55 Habari za saa
14:00 Kipindi Maalum rpt: Sema na Mahakama ya TZ
14:30 DW: Afrimaxx rpt
15:00 Meza Huru
16:30 Watoto Wetu
17:00 The Base (DJ Show)
17:30 Kisiama
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 Igizo: Mizengwe
18:30 Uchumi wetu
19:00 Shamba lulu
19:30 Soap: I Plead Guilty
20:00 Habari
21:05 Kipima Joto
23:00 Habari
23:30 The Base
00:30 Al Jazeera
02:00 DWTV

SATURDAY 26 Nov

5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:00 Habari
8:00 Al Jazeera
9:00 Watoto wetu
9:00 Shika Bamba 5
10:00 Usafiri wako
10:30 World Cup review
11:00 Mjue Zaidi rpt
12:00 Chetu ni chetu rpt
12:40 Hawawumi lakini wamo
13:20 Soap: I Plead Guilty rpt
14:15 Igizo: Mizengwe
16:15 Igizo: Rebecca
16:30 Shansham za Pwani
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 TV Top 10 rpt
19:00 Jungu Kuu

SUNDAY 27 Nov

5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha
7:00 Habari
8:00 Al Jazeera
9:00 Watoto Wetu
10:00 Soap: I Plead Guilty rpt
11:50 Bongo Movie rpt
14:00 Tamasha la Michezo
15:30 Mwangaza
16:30 ITV Top 10
17:20 Kipindi cha kikristo
18:00 Jiji Letu
18:15 Mapiishi
18:30 Matukio ya wiki
19:30 Igizo: Rebecca
20:00 Habari
21:05 Kipindi maalum: Biko
21:10 Kipindi maalum: Reflexology
21:15 Igizo: Mizengwe
21:30 Mjue Zaidi
22:15 Bongo movie:
23:30 Soap: Uzalo rpt
02:05 Al Jazeera

CAPITAL

Mon 21 Nov

06:00 Al Jazeera
07:00 Morning Jam (Via Capital Radio)
09:00 Club 101 rpt
11:00 Al Jazeera
11:30 Business edition
12:00 Out and About
12:30 Our earth
13:00 Telenovela rpt: Laws Of love 14:00
Club 101 (via Capital Radio)
16:00 Tomorrow Today
17:00 In good shape
17:30 Meza Huru
18:30 Tomorrow Today
19:00 EcoAfrica
19:30 Dw News Africa rpt
19:30 The Décor rpt
20:00 Shamba lulu
20:00 Innovation rpt
20:45 The Monday Agenda
21:30 Capital Prime News
22:00 Kipima Joto
00:00 Al Jazeera

Tues 22 Nov

06:00 Al Jazeera
07:00 Morning Jam (Via Capital Radio)
09:00 Club 101 rpt
11:00 Al Jazeera
11:30 Monday agenda rpt
12:15 Spots gazette
12:45 Filler doc
13:00 Telenovela rpt: Laws of love 14:00
Club 101 (via Capital Radio)
16:00 Culinary Delights Rpt
18:30 Capchat rpt
19:30 Meza Huru

Wed 23 Nov

06:00 Al Jazeera
07:00 Morning Jam (Via Capital Radio)
09:00 Club 101 rpt
11:00 Al Jazeera
11:30 Our Earth
12:00 Dw News Africa rpt
12:30 Turning the spotlight
13:00 Telenovela rpt: Laws Of love 14:00
Club 101 (via Capital Radio)
16:00 Business Edition Rpt
16:30 Culinary delight rpt
17:00 Innovation rpt
17:30 Meza Huru
19:00 Sports Gazette
19:30 Chetu ni chetu
20:00 Monday Agenda Rpt
20:45 Telenovela: Laws Of love
21:30 Capital Prime News
22:00 Dakika 45:
22:45 The Décor
23:15 Al Jazeera

Thurs 24 Nov

06:00 Al Jazeera
07:00 Morning Jam (Via Capital Radio)
09:00 Club 101 rpt
11:00 Al Jazeera
11:30 Spots gazette
12:00 Innovation
12:30 Culinary
13:00 Telenovela rpt: Laws Of love
14:00 Club 101 (via Capital Radio)
16:00 Tomorrow Today
16:30 Business edition rpt
17:00 In good shape
17:30 Meza Huru
19:00 Turning the spotlight
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20:45 Telenovela: Laws Of love 21:30
Capital Prime News
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23:00 Al Jazeera

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06:00 Al Jazeera
07:00 Morning Jam (Via Capital Radio)
09:00 Club 101 rpt
11:00 Al Jazeera
11:30 Capchat
12:30 Décor
13:00 Telenovela rpt: Laws Of love 14:00
Club 101 (via Capital Radio)
16:00 Dw News Africa rpt
16:30 The Monday Agenda rpt
17:30 Meza Huru
19:00 Rev
19:30 Out & About Rpt
20:00 Albu Yako

WORLD

World's longest-standing president seeks to extend 43-year rule

DAKAR

EQUATORIAL Guinea voted yesterday in a general election in which President Teodoro Obiang Nguema, the world's longest-standing president, is expected to extend his 43-year rule at the helm of the tiny oil-producing West African nation.

Over 400,000 people registered to vote in the country of around 1.5 million. Voters will also cast ballots to elect 100 members of parliament for the lower house, 55 of the country's 70 senators, and local mayors.

Observers expect no surprises. The

80-year-old Obiang has always been elected with over 90 percent of votes in polls whose fairness international observers have questioned given long-standing complaints by rights groups over a lack of political freedom.

He is vying for a sixth term against two opposition candidates - Buenaventura Monsuy Asumu, who is running for the sixth time against Obiang, and Andrés Esono Ondo, who is running for the first time.

"The presidential election is completely devoid of suspense," said Maja Bovcon, a senior Africa analyst at risk intelligence company Verisk Maplecroft.



Equatorial Guinea's Teodoro Obiang Nguema (center) attends the 33rd Ordinary Session of the African Union Summit, at the AU headquarters in Addis Ababa, on Feb 10, 2020. File photo

"The closure of the borders and the harassment and arrests of opposition supporters have been paving the way for the extension of Obiang's 43-year rule," she said.

The United States and the European Union called for a free and fair election in separate statements, and raised concerns over reports of harassments and intimidation of the opposition and civil society groups.

The government rejected the reports, calling them interference in its electoral process.

Equatorial Guinea has had only two presidents since independence from Spain in 1968. Obiang ousted his

uncle Francisco Macias Nguema in a coup in 1979.

Closing his campaign on Friday, Obiang said he decided to bring the presidential election forward by several months, and hold it together with the legislative and municipal elections, to save money due to the economic crisis.

Oil and gas production accounts for around three quarters of revenues in the OPEC member state. But output has dwindled in recent years to around 93,000 barrels per day, from around 160,000 bpd in 2015 due to maturing fields.

Museveni: E. Africa working to restore order in eastern DRC

KAMPALA

UGANDAN President Yoweri Museveni has said East African nations working with the Congolese government will bring order in war-torn eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Museveni, according to a State House statement issued here late on Friday, said this while meeting a visiting UN Security Council delegation.

East African countries are deploying troops in eastern DRC under the East African Community (EAC) Regional Force.

Museveni said while dialogue among Congolese groups would be given priority, force will be used against groups who continue fighting.

"So, these Africans, if they unite, nobody can defeat them on the African continent. There's no force which will defeat East Africa," Museveni said.

On allegations that some neighboring countries are supplying arms to the rebels of the March 23 Movement (M23), Museveni told the delegation that East Africa cannot fail to investigate and know the truth.

"If we work in East Africa, we shall go, investigate and get facts instead of counter accusations which never end," Museveni said.

The UN Security Council delegation is in Uganda, after a similar mission in DRC and Rwanda.

The head of the delegation, Michel Xavier Biang, who is also the chair of the UN sanctions committee on DRC, told Museveni that a brief will be given to the Security Council early next month about the visit.



APEC economies pledge to promote sustainable growth

BANGKOK

LEADERS of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) economies wrapped up their annual meeting here on Saturday after issuing a declaration and endorsing an outcome document on the Bio-Circular-Green (BCG) Economy model.

Calling the Bangkok meeting a shared success among all APEC members, Thai Prime Minister Prayut Chan-o-cha told a press conference that APEC must work to boost resilience and ensure a more inclusive and sustainable growth.

The declaration, adopted after the two-day APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting, affirmed APEC leaders' long-standing commitment to promoting strong, balanced, secure, sustainable and inclusive growth, as well as their commitment to realizing the APEC Putrajaya Vision of an open, dynamic, resilient and peaceful Asia-Pacific community by 2040.

The Bangkok Goals on BCG Economy, covering climate change mitigation, sustainable trade and investment, environmental conservation and waste management, is a comprehensive framework to further APEC's sustainability objectives.

This year's meeting is the first in-person gathering of the APEC economic leaders since 2018, which was held under the theme of "Open, Connect, Balance."

Deeper regional integration

The Pacific Rim region has gone through various crises in the past and made itself recov-

er quickly from the 1997 financial crisis and the 2008 global financial crisis thanks to its deep economic integration and resilient supply chains.

The Asia-Pacific, now the most dynamic growth belt in the world, has embarked on a journey of regional integration for sustainable, inclusive and resilient economic recovery in recent years.

Against the background of headwinds of rising inflation, heightened geopolitical tensions, climate change and prolonged COVID-19 pandemic, the APEC leaders pledged that they are determined to uphold and further strengthen the rules-based multilateral trading system, hailing progress this year in advancing the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP).

APEC's cooperation will contribute to practical solutions for common challenges and complement global efforts including the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the declaration said.

APEC Secretariat Executive Director Rebecca Sta Maria believed that free trade agreements are helpful for strengthening supply chains, deepening economic integration and increasing transparency and predictability in the rules.

Deep economic integration is a strength and all the regional economies should capitalize on that to get through the challenging time, Maria told Xinhua.

Home to 2.9 billion people, the 21 APEC economies account for about half of global trade and over 60 percent of the world's total gross domestic product.

Stephen Jacobi, an alternate member of the APEC Business



A logo of APEC 2022 is pictured on a street in Bangkok, Thailand, Nov 16, 2022. (WANG TENG / XINHUA)

Advisory Council and the executive director of the New Zealand International Business Forum, also highlighted the importance of deeper regional economic integration to cope with regional and global challenges.

"In these difficult times, it is vital that Asia-Pacific economies continue to push for deeper economic integration within a high-quality framework of rules," he said.

"This is a time in world history when free and open trade should be reaffirmed not reassessed. Countries and their people gain from free trade and lose from protectionism," said Craig Emerson, director of the Australian APEC Study Center at RMIT University.

Green, sustainable growth

The APEC leaders vowed to advance the Bangkok Goals in a bold, responsive and comprehensive manner, merging existing commitments with

new aspirational ones.

"APEC explored approaches such as the BCG economy model that integrates three economic approaches, where technology and innovation are used to create value, reduce waste, advance resource efficiency and promote sustainable business models," said the Bangkok Goals.

These goals will be implemented through a conducive regulatory framework, capacity building, facility and quality infrastructure, as well as a global network, APEC 2022 Senior Officials' Meeting Chair Thani Thongphakdi told a press conference.

"There is the existential threat of climate change, which has consequences not only for the Asia-Pacific region, but also for humanity as a whole. Therefore, we must work together to mitigate its impact and protect our planet," Prayut said at the APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting

on Friday.

By adopting the Bangkok Goals, APEC moves forward with a plan to achieve its comprehensive and ambitious sustainability and inclusion objectives, while reinforcing and contributing to ongoing global actions.

"Sustainable development is the common pursuit of Asia-Pacific economies. We believed that the green economy and actions to cope with climate change will bring a more comprehensive, balanced and sustainable recovery in the Asia-Pacific region," said Low Kian Chuan, president of the Associated Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Malaysia.

This year's APEC meeting integrates sustainability and inclusivity objectives in tandem with economic goals. This coincides with the concept of green, balanced and sustainable development advocated by China. *Xinhua*

Moscow calls for worldwide denunciation of Russian POW execution by Ukrainian troops, says MFA

MOSCOW

RUSSIA urges international organizations to condemn the execution of Russian prisoners of war by Ukrainian soldiers and to conduct a thorough investigation, Russian Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said in a statement on Friday.

"We demand that international organisations condemn and thoroughly investigate this shocking crime. No atrocity committed by Ukrainian military units will remain unpunished. All those guilty and their accomplices will be identified and punished accordingly.

Nobody will escape retribution," the Russian diplomat said, commenting on the video showing Ukrainian soldiers "mercilessly shooting unarmed Russian POWs," which has gone viral on the Internet.

"These shocking videos are further evidence of the crimes committed by Ukrainian neo-Nazis. Ukraine is flagrantly violating international humanitarian law, specifically the 1949 Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War and international human rights laws, including the 1966 International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the 1984 Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment," she said.

Zakharova went on to say that Russia has repeatedly drawn the attention of the international community "to Ukraine's cruel and inhuman treatment of detained Russian military personnel."

Ukrainian militants regularly disseminate videos showing how they murder, torture, humiliate and beat people, she said. "Without any embarrassment, Ukrainian neo-Nazis showed their 'exploits' for everyone to see. These videos will make your blood run cold - they shoot tied up soldiers in the legs, disrespect the bodies of the dead and shoot unarmed soldiers and civilians.

They have even shared footage of tanks crushing people alive. Foreign mercenaries also took part in these atrocities, like the cutthroats from the Georgian Legion that barbarically shot imprisoned Russian paratroopers outside Kiev last March," the spokeswoman said.

"The collective West that supports Kiev totally paid no attention to these numerous facts. Such approval by the US and European curators makes them accomplices to the crimes committed by the Ukrainian neo-Nazis whom they foster," she went on, adding that the above-mentioned atrocities were committed not only by Ukraine's neo-Nazi groups, but by regular troops as well.

"Their commitment to neo-Nazi ideology and actions in furtherance of those principles reveal the criminal essence of the Kiev regime," Zakharova added.



China, Indonesia support each other on journeys ahead as companions

CHINESE President Xi Jinping held talks with Indonesian President Joko Widodo in Bali, Indonesia on Nov. 16. The two heads of state reached important consensus on striving towards building a China-Indonesia community with a shared future.

The two presidents agreed to take the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the comprehensive strategic partnership between the two countries next year as an opportunity to open up new prospects for high-level cooperation.

The two heads of state guide the stable development of China-Indonesia relations from a strategic and long-term view. This will better benefit the two peoples and make greater contributions to world

peace, cooperation and development.

Guided by the two Presidents, China-Indonesia relations have embraced prosperous development over the recent years, demonstrating strong resilience and vitality.

In July this year, Widodo paid a visit to China, during which he and Xi decided on the overall direction of building a China-Indonesia community with a shared future.

In Bali this time, they both agreed that the two sides will strive towards building a China-Indonesia community with a shared future through sustaining traditional values rooted in the Chinese civilization such as "good-neighborliness" and "seeking harmony while respecting differences" as well as Indo-

nesia's tradition of "gotong royong" and concept of "Bhinneka Tunggal Ika", and observing the purposes and principles of the UN Charter, the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence and the Bandung Spirit, forging an exemplary model of major developing countries seeking mutual respect, mutual benefit, win-win results, justice, equity, common development and South-South cooperation.

This has further enriched the connotation of the bilateral relations between the two countries.

The two sides have formulated a Plan of Action for Strengthening the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Indonesia (2022-2026), so as

to provide integrated plans and roadmaps for their exchanges and cooperation in all areas in the next five years.

The plan will help deepen the comprehensive strategic partnership between the two countries and help build a China-Indonesia community with a shared future.

Xi and Widodo watched the operational trial of the Jakarta-Bandung High-speed Railway (HSR) through video link and a video presentation on the achievements of China-Indonesia cooperation.

As a flagship infrastructure project of China-Indonesia cooperation under the synergy of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and Indonesia's Global Maritime Fulcrum (GMF), the Jakarta-Bandung HSR

has become a symbol of China-Indonesia friendship and a pride shared by the two countries.

It is the first HSR in Southeast Asia, and upon completion, it will slash the traveling time between Jakarta and Bandung to just 40 minutes from over three hours. Once put into operation, the railway will speed up and improve the mobility of people and goods, and new economic growth drives will emerge in Jakarta and Bandung.

Both China and Indonesia uphold the philosophy of seeking people-centered development. They share common ideas, interests and a closely connected future.

By enhancing experience sharing in governance at a higher level and advancing modernization through

joint efforts, the two countries will better promote well-beings for their peoples.

China and Indonesia agreed to carry forward high-quality projects under the synergy of the BRI and GMF and build on more flagship projects such as the Regional Comprehensive Economic Corridor and the "Two Countries, Twin Parks".

Both China and Indonesia are committed to enhancing multilateralism and safeguarding the interests of developing countries and international equity and justice, which demonstrate the sense of responsibility of the two major developing countries.

Zelensky wants no talks in order not to acknowledge fact of Ukraine's break-up, says Medvedev

MOSCOW

THE West does not want to rupture relations with Russia completely, which is fraught with World War III, so they prod Kiev into holding talks with Moscow, but Ukrainian President Vladimir Zelensky does not want them in order not to acknowledge the fact of Ukraine's break-up, Russian Security Council Deputy Chairman Dmitry Medvedev wrote on his Telegram channel on Saturday.



Medvedev pointed out that no one, including the Polish, had not been taken in by Ukraine's "clumsy attempts" to shift responsibility for the missile incident in Poland to Russia. According to the deputy chairman of the Russian Security Council, it largely proves that "everyone is exhausted from the Kiev regime" and especially from Zelensky, who "is constantly stirring up tensions" and "demanding more and more handouts in money and arms."

"The United States, NATO and the European Union are unwilling to eventually break up with Russia, which is fraught with World War III. Hence the increasingly frequent attempts to circumscribe and talk sense into Kiev, and to push it out to enter into negotiations," Medvedev wrote.

Nevertheless, "Zelensky does not want any negotiations for quite obvious selfish reasons. Moreover, they [negotiations] are very dangerous for him," Medvedev continued.

"After all, unless he acknowledges the realities of Ukraine's break-up, it makes no sense to sit down at the [negotiating] table. Once he admits it, he will be bumped off by his own nationalists who are connected with the army top brass, and of whom he is scared out of his wits," Medvedev said, describing the situation by the chess term 'Zugzwang' (in which each move of a player will worsen his/her position).

A missile crashed in the village of Przewodow in eastern Poland's Lublin Voivodeship close to the border with Ukraine on November 15, killing two people. Polish President Andrzej Duda said this was not a deliberate attack on Poland. Warsaw has learned that the projectile was most likely an S-300 missile produced in the 1970s and used by the Ukrainian air defense forces.

The Russian Defense Ministry slammed the Polish media and statements coming from officials in Warsaw that the missile was allegedly Russian-made as a provocation, saying that Moscow did not strike anything near the Ukrainian-Polish border. The top brass pointed out that judging by the published photos, the debris had nothing to do with Russian missiles.

Huawei launches transformative fintech offering to revolutionize mobile money

CAPE TOWN

HUAWEI has announced the launch of an innovative fintech offering, which is set to revolutionize mobile money in Africa, aiming to increase financial inclusion and greatly improve the consumer's digital user experience.

Called Fintech 2.0, the product was announced last week at AfricaCom—Africa's largest technology gathering.

The solution will also empower micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) to digitally transform, and provide service providers with greater business agility. In doing so, Huawei believes it will accelerate industry innovation and digital financial inclusion in emerging markets.

Fintech 2.0 brings value to mobile fintech operators through an extremely digital experience, accelerated innovation, and expedited time to market. In terms of digital experience, the solution's digital architecture allows operators to ensure that the overall experience is tailored to every aspect of a customer's life and combines simple and fast payment and lending.

It also allows for accelerated innovation by simplifying application development for MSMEs. Developers are able to reuse available industry assets including custom templates and components to rapidly build service applications using the best visual tools with minimal coding.

Fintech 2.0's open ecosystem, meanwhile, allows operators to bring apps to market faster. By bringing together API, H5, and mini apps technologies, it ensures that partners can launch the service on a super app within one week and take marketing campaigns from idea to launch within three weeks. With a cloud-native platform, the solution supports container/micro-service, auto-scaling, and gray release and enables software updates in days.

"We were pleased to announce the launch of Fintech 2.0 at AfricaCom", said Bryan You, Director of Huawei Southern Africa Software Solution and Marketing. "Huawei continues to invest heavily in Fintech research and innovation, creating solutions to help address global challenges and support anticipated future developments."

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Algerian-Russian operational military relations experiencing a significant turning point

ALGIERS

THE operational military relations between Algiers and Moscow are experiencing a significant turning point, as the two sides are conducting joint military exercises from 16 to 28 November 2022 in the region of Hammaguir in Bechar.

The transition to an operational stage in the Algerian-Russian military relations is not recent as in November 2021 too, the two countries held joint military exercises in South Ossetia, in which an Algerian contingent has taken part. In September 2022, a unit comprising 100 soldiers of the ANP participated in the exercise "VOSTOK 2022", held in the Far East of Russia.

Naval military exercises have been regularly carried out between the two armies in the last two years and a few days before these exercises, the Director of the Federal Service of Military and Technical Cooperation of Russia, Dimitrii CHOUAEV, travelled to Algeria where he met, on November 10, 2022, with the Chief of Staff of the National People's Army.

This visit consolidated the relations between the two armies as it comes in the context of the increase in the Algerian military budget (\$ 23 billion) for the year 2023. This has led Russian military officials to covet Algeria in order to get a significant share of this budget in the form of arms sales. Moscow will reap substantial benefits from arms sales to Algeria, which will certainly be used to finance and support Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The Bechar exercises are only a mere message from Moscow to the West, demonstrating Russia's ability to deploy its forces close to Western interests in the western Mediterranean. The unbreakable geopolitical relationship between Algeria and Russia places Algiers in the pro-Russian clan. The discrepancy between the official Algerian discourse, advocating non-alignment and neutrality, and the reality on the ground points to an ironclad alliance between Algeria and Russia.

The existence of a clan within the Algerian establishment considering the alliance with Moscow as sacrosanct and a cornerstone of the Algerian state. This, as Moscow considers Algeria to be an extended front in its strategy of military confrontation with the West. Russia will resort to this front in order for its striking force to maintain a close range, which renders the Algerian-Moroccan border a demarcation line between the zone of Western influence and that of the former socialist clan.

Algeria's alignment on Russian positions harms the geopolitical interests of The West. Therefore, countries of the West should review their strategies and partnerships with Algeria and it is reaping the benefits of its energy contracts with the West, while it continues to enhance its military cooperation with Moscow.

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Trump snubs Twitter after Musk reverses ban



In this file photo illustration taken on Aug 10, 2020, the Twitter account of US President Donald Trump is displayed on a mobile phone in Arlington, Virginia. Trump's once-banned Twitter account reappeared on the platform on Nov 19, 2022, minutes after company owner Elon Musk announced he was lifting the 22-month suspension on the former president over incitement of violence. Trump's account -- dormant since days after the Jan 6, 2021 riot at the US Capitol by his supporters -- was visible to users after Musk tweeted that "Trump will be reinstated" following a poll on the subject. AFP

DONALD Trump on Saturday said he had no interest in returning to Twitter even as a slim majority voted in favor of reinstating the former US President, who was banned from the social media service for inciting violence, in a poll organized by new owner Elon Musk.

Slightly over 15 million Twitter users voted in the poll with 51.8 percent voting in favor of reinstatement.

"The people have spoken. Trump will be reinstated," Musk tweeted.

Trump's Twitter account, which had over 88 million followers before he was banned on Jan 8, 2021, began accumulating followers and had nearly 100,000 followers by 10pm ET Saturday. Some users initially reported being unable to follow the reinstated account on Saturday evening.

Trump had appeared less than keen earlier in the day.

"I don't see any reason for it," the former president said via video when asked whether he planned to return to Twitter by a panel at the Republican Jewish Coalition's annual leadership meeting.

He said he would stick with his new platform Truth Social, the app developed by his Trump Media & Technology Group (TMTG) startup, which he

said had better user engagement than Twitter and was doing "phenomenally well".

Twitter did not respond to a request for comment.

Trump, who on Tuesday launched a bid to regain the White House in 2024, praised Musk and said he had always liked him. But Trump also said Twitter suffered from bots, fake accounts and that the problems it faced were "incredible".

Musk first said in May he planned to reverse the ban on Trump, and the timing of any return by Trump was closely watched - and feared - by many of Twitter's advertisers.

The billionaire has since sought to reassure users and advertisers that such a decision would be made with consideration by a content moderation council composed of people with "widely diverse viewpoints" and no account reinstatements would happen before the council convened.

He also said Twitter would not reinstate any banned users until there was a "clear process for doing so."

But this week, Musk reinstated comedian Kathy Griffin, who had been banned for changing her profile name to "Elon Musk" which violated his new rule against impersonation without indicating it was a parody account. There has been no new information about process or the moderation council.

No reason to return

A no-show by Trump could reduce concerns among major advertisers, who are already rat-

ted by Musk's drastic reshaping of Twitter.

He has halved the workforce and severely cut the company's trust and safety team, which is responsible for preventing the spread of misinformation and harmful content.

These actions and Musk's tweeting have pushed major companies to halt advertising on the site as they monitor how the platform handles hate speech.

On Saturday, Bloomberg reported Twitter could fire more employees in its sales and partnership divisions, citing unnamed sources, just days after a mass resignation of engineers.

If Trump returned to Twitter, the move would raise questions about his commitment to Truth Social, which launched on Apple's App Store in February and Google's Play Store in October. Trump has some 4.57 million followers on Truth Social.

Truth Social has been Trump's main source of direct communication with his followers since he began posting on the app regularly in May. He has used Truth Social to promote his allies, criticize opponents and defend his reputation amid legal scrutiny from state, congressional and federal investigators.

His agreement with the company, however, opens the door for Trump to engage extensively on other platforms. Trump is obligated to give Truth Social a six-hour exclusive on any post - but is free to post "political messaging, political fundraising or get-out-the vote efforts" on any site, at any time, according to a May SEC filing.

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Frontier Chinese aviation, aerospace technologies displayed at Airshow China 2022

THE 14th China International Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition, also known as Airshow China 2022, was held at the Zhuhai International Airshow Center, Zhuhai, south China's Guangdong province, between Nov. 8 and 13.

The event was joined by over 740 enterprises from 43 countries in person and online, attracting around 200,000 visitors. Cooperation agreements for 549 aircraft, worth \$39.8 billion, were inked at the event.

The Airshow China is an important platform showcasing the cutting-edge technologies and innovations of the Chinese aviation and aerospace industry as well as national defense.

It is reported that the Aviation Industry Corporation of China (AVIC) took over 200 pieces of independently developed aviation equipment and technologies to the Airshow China 2022, up 34 percent from a year ago. Fifty-five of them were exhibited for the first time at the event.

The exhibition is a witness to the huge progress made by the Chinese aviation and aerospace industry, as well as the improving capability of China in manufacturing high-end weapons and equipment.

It only took three years for China to unveil its stealth fighter jet J-20 after the Chinese transport aircraft Y-20 debuted, and the medium-lift helicopter Z-20 with double China-made engines was also launched three years after the J-20 was unveiled.

Li Weipeng, who flies the J-20, said the engines and the avionics of the J-20 jets exhibited this time have been comprehensively updated, though their appearance remained the same.

Y-20U, a tanker variation of the Y-20; C919, China's first home-



Aircraft of China's Bayi Aerobatic Team perform at the 14th China International Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition in Zhuhai, south China's Guangdong province, Nov. 10, 2022. (Photo by Long Wei/People's Daily Online)

made large jetliner; and AG600, China's independently developed large amphibious firefighting plane, took part in a flying display at the Airshow China 2022.

Besides, the Chinese passenger aircraft MA60, the AC352 helicopter that had just obtained airworthiness certification, the newly developed Lingyan AG50 light-sport aircraft, as well as some new unmanned aerial vehicles, all appeared at the exhibition in real aircraft.

The Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China, Ltd. (COMAC), apart from displaying its C919 passenger jet, also took the medical version of its ARJ21, China's first turbofan regional passenger jetliner, to the airshow.

The COMAC said it has received 300 new orders for the C919 and 30 for the ARJ21 from seven leasing firms.

The SLC-18, a new P band solid-state active phased array radar developed by China, was exhibited at the Airshow China 2022. The radar can scan a wide field of space and work in tough weather and environments

around the clock. It is used for upper atmosphere and space surveillance.

The Dialogue with the World, China Aviation & Aerospace Forum 2022, and the 2nd China International Aerospace Leadership Summit and Aerospace Industry Open Source Innovation and Sustainable Development Forum were held during the airshow, attracting a number of experts from home and abroad.

An information release area was set up at the airshow by the Equipment Development Department of the Central Military Commission of China, which hosted some 20 lectures, including the ones given by the first taikonaut of China, Yang Liwei, and military expert Du Wenlong.

Exhibitors such as the AVIC, the China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation (CASC), and the China Electronics Technology Group Corporation held a number of signing ceremonies and negotiation meetings with overseas guests.

"I can say that I've been to the space since I'm here," said a visitor to the

airshow, standing in front of the exhibition booth of the CASC.

The CASC brought to the airshow a 1:1 model of China's space station combination in its T-shape configuration, bringing visitors closer to the "home" of the Chinese people in space.

The "Mars Base 1 Camp" in Jinchang, northwest China's Gansu province, also joined the Airshow China 2022. It displayed a Mars suit designed according to the real environmental data on the red planet. Besides, it exhibited Mars-themed creative products, launched an online question game about Mars, and presented simulated Martian scenes, attracting huge attention.

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SPORT



Tigo Pesa Chief Officer Mobile Financial Services, Angelica Pesa (L), hands over a dummy air ticket to Simon Meena, a Dar es Salaam-based gravel seller who emerged as one of the lucky winners of the promotion, termed 'Wakishua Twenzetu Qatar na Hisensa', in the city over the weekend. The promotion organized by Tigo will have 50 lucky winners securing a trip to Qatar to watch the 2022 FIFA World Cup. PHOTO: GUARDIAN CORRESPONDENT

Nabi says Yanga must stay humble despite maintaining winning streak

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

YOUNG Africans SC head coach Nasreddine Nabi has urged his squad to stay humble despite their eye-catching winning run in the 2022/23 NBC Premier League.

Thursday's 4-1 win over Singida Big Stars at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam made it 47 unbeaten games for Young Africans SC, alias Yanga, in the NBC Premier League, with the record stretching way back to the 2020/21 season.

It was also their fifth consecutive victory in the league that sent them back to the top of the table.

They could open a five-point gap at the top of the table if they win their two games in hand, an advantage the club has over the chasing pack of Azam FC and Simba SC.

Yanga's goal-getter Fiston Mayeye scored a hat-trick which was complemented by another goal netted by right-back Kibwana Shomari before the hour mark of last week's duel.

Former Simba SC striker Meddie Kagere scored the consolation goal for visiting Singida Big Stars to deny Yanga's goalkeeper Aboutwalib Mshery his first clean sheet of the season.

Speaking to the press after the game, coach Nabi, who saw his team register their biggest victory of the season so far, said there are still areas where they need to improve and should not take anything for granted with tough games expected in the 2022/23 CAF Confederation Cup group stage.

The tactician revealed: "We didn't have a lot of time to train for this game,



Yanga's players celebrate a goal scored by a teammate in a 2022/23 NBC Premier League tie against Singida Big Stars that took place in Dar es Salaam last week and ended with Yanga cruising to a 4-1 victory. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

our preparation focused on recovery because the players were mentally and physically fatigued."

"We had to work on them in that direction and at the same time, we made them aware of the importance of each match in the championship title race."

"We have no room for error despite the tight schedule, we have to sacrifice and take responsibility. I think that the players responded well. I am

very happy with the rotation of players."

"Like the last game, we didn't perform well, we rested a lot of players precisely because we were also thinking about this match and squad rotation."

"In the game, we had good moments, we played well though we still hope to improve the team in all areas."

"Even if we won by four goals today, there are situations in which we made de-

isions that I am not happy with and we have to correct constantly."

The coach pointed out: "We have to be modest, humble, and ready to be corrected because even if we won with a big score, there are situations where we need to work on even more because we have tough matches in Africa competition where opponents won't forgive such weaknesses."

Government reaffirms its commitment to promoting culture, arts

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

THE governments of Tanzania and South Africa have reaffirmed their commitment to using culture and arts to uplift the lives of the citizens of the two countries.

Tanzania's Minister for Culture, Arts, and Sports Mohamed Mchengerwa, and South Africa's Deputy Minister of Sports, Arts, and Culture, Nocawe Mafu made the assurance in Dar es Salaam on Friday at the opening of the South Africa and Tanzania Arts and Cultural Festival.

Mchengerwa said arts and culture are apart from being a reliable business fostering relationships between people of different nationalities.

The minister said it is pleasing to see that there is a strong relationship between Tanzanians and South Africans.

Mchengerwa stated: "Culture and arts play a very important role in business and relationships. Tanzania is the only country in Africa which has a history of helping other countries to be liberated."

The minister said: "The two played an important part in the fight for the liberation of fellow African coun-

tries," he said.

The minister then asked the Department of Arts and Culture in his ministry to come up with many festivals aiming to foster good relations.

Nocawe said it is the wish of the South African government to see that arts and culture are also used to uplift the well-being of people.

The festivals will see the South Africans and their Tanzanian friends make a trip to Morogoro to take part in other activities.

There will then be film exhibitions at National Museum in Dar es Salaam from Tuesday to Sunday.

On Wednesday there will be a seminar that will among others tackle how to make the most of business opportunities in culture and arts.

There will moreover be traditional dances performed by artists from the two countries on Friday.

The festivals will close in Zanzibar on Sunday where top government officials are expected to grace the event.

South African fashionistas will then from December 2-4 take part in the fashion show where they are expected to showcase their designs.



Participants of the sports bonanza, known as Pande Train Run, take part in fitness exercises at TAWA offices, located at Mabwepande in Dar es Salaam, last weekend shortly after featuring in the event organized by Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA) and Dar Running Club and took place in the city. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JOSEPH MWENDAPOLE

Race for Athletics Tanzania vacant posts gathers pace

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

THE race for Athletics Tanzania (AT)'s vice-president post and the post of the association's executive committee member representing Coast Region is gaining momentum as many people are expressing interest in contesting for the posts.

The latest athletics stakeholder to have joined the race is William Kallaghe, seeking to vie for the AT vice-president post.

Kallaghe was the association's former vice president when it was operating under the then Chairman, Anthony Mtaka.

Others who have shown a willingness to contest for the vice-president post in the election slated for November 27 in Dodoma are experienced officials Suleiman Nyambui, Mohamed Kiganja, Juma Ikingaa, Yotham Guitage, and Rahim Kalyango.

Contestants for an executive committee member for AT representing

Coast Region are Jilala Mwandu, Ally Mussa, and Thomas Tryphone.

An Athletics stakeholder Felix Chinga has declared his interest to contest for the position of AT assistant secretary.

The posts of AT vice-president and the association's executive committee member representing Coast Region fell vacant after officials holding the posts John Bayo and Robert Kalyahe resigned.

Lwiza John, AT information officer, said they are delighted that many people are showing interest to contest the posts.

"This is good for the development of athletics in the country, we encourage others willing to vie for the posts to come forward... all procedures like vetting and campaign will be followed," she said, noting that after the election they will be AT annual general meeting.

Tanzanians urged to value fitness exercises

By Correspondent Joseph Mwenda-pole

DEPUTY Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism, Mary Masanja, has urged Tanzanians to participate in fitness exercises regularly to avoid non-communicable diseases.

She made the remarks in Dar es Salaam last weekend when she participated in a sports bonanza, known as Pande Train Run, which was organized by Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA) and Dar Running Club.

People who took part in the showdown later engaged in fitness exercises at TAWA offices

located at Mabwepande.

The event sought to raise funds to help people with disabilities who are taken care of at the Africa Foundation For Inclusive Communities (AFIC) located at Bunju B in Dar es Salaam.

Pande Train Run's participants competed in races covering 5km, 10km, 15km, and 33km with winners laying their hands on various prizes.

Mary revealed after the event that participating in fitness exercises turns out to be extremely crucial because people get time to interact and do exercises that are good for their health.

She said the government through TAWA will continue

organizing such sports bonanzas to raise funds that will help people with disabilities who are taken care of in various centers in Tanzania.

The Deputy Minister said the bonanza is moreover part of the government's efforts to promote tourism and encourage people to embrace local tourism via visiting various tourist attractions in the country.

Mary disclosed: "So I would like to invite Tanzanians to visit Pande tourist attraction because there is a lot to enjoy here and the government promises to continue investing in Pande infrastructure including the construction of campsites, picnic

site, and kids' zone."

Juma Isihaka, one of the participants in the event, commended the organizers and called for such an event to be done regularly so that people can get a chance to network and do exercises that are good for their health.

A standing frame, which provides alternative positioning to sitting in a wheelchair by supporting the person in the standing position, chairs, workout equipment for persons with disabilities, U-shaped pillows, a balance board, mattresses, and mats are some equipment handed over to people with disabilities after the bonanza.

FIFA head says fans 'will survive' without beer at World Cup

DOHA, Qatar

FIFA president Gianni Infantino downplayed Qatar's last minute ban on the sale of beer at World Cup stadiums as nothing more than a brief inconvenience to spectators.

"If this is the biggest problem we have, I'll sign that (agreement)," Infantino said Saturday, a day after the conservative Muslim emirate did an about-face on the deal it had made to secure the soccer tournament.

Infantino blamed "crowd flows" in Doha for the decision, though it appeared to be a ruling by Qatar's autocratic government to placate its conservative Wahhabi citizens who already have been angered by some events around the tournament they view as Western excesses.

Infantino said the beer ban at stadiums was made jointly by Qatar officials and FIFA.

"We tried until the end to see whether it was possible," Infantino said of allowing alcohol sales. "If for 3 hours a day you cannot drink a beer, you will survive. Maybe there is a reason why in France, in Spain, in Scotland, alcohol is banned in stadiums. Maybe they are more intelligent than us, having thought maybe we should be doing that."

Spectators can drink alcoholic beer in the evenings in "the FIFA Fan Festival," a designated party area that also offers live music and activities. Qatar puts strict limits on the purchase and consumption of alcohol, though its sale has been permitted in hotel bars for years outside of the tournament-run areas.

The World Cup begins Sunday with an opening match between host country Qatar and Ecuador, and when Qatar made its pitch to host the tournament, the country agreed to FIFA's requirements of selling alcohol in stadiums. The alcohol plans were only released 11 weeks before kickoff and then changed on Friday.

FIFA says non-alcoholic beer will still be sold at the eight stadiums, while champagne, wine, whiskey and other alcohol will be served in the luxury hospitality areas of the arenas.

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Germany goalkeeper Neuer to defy FIFA on captains' armbands

MADINAT ASH SHAMAL, Qatar

GERMANY goalkeeper Manuel Neuer is set to defy FIFA's campaign for captains to wear only official armbands with selected slogans at World Cup games.

"Yes," the veteran goalkeeper said when asked at the Germany training camp about overriding a new FIFA project backed by United Nations agencies.

Denmark is also not backing down, playmaker Christian Eriksen said Saturday.

The launch a day before the opening World Cup match seemed designed to supplant a pledge by European teams to wear their own armbands as part of a Netherlands-led anti-discrimination campaign drawing attention to host nation Qatar's laws and record on human rights issues.

World Cup rules require that equipment such as captains' armbands must be authorized and provided by FIFA, but Neuer said he will wear the "One Love" design even if it comes with a fine.

"It's good that we have the power with other nations in western Europe," Neuer said.

Although Germany does not play until Wednesday, against Japan, three teams which joined the "One Love" campaign in September will play on Monday: England, the Netherlands and Wales.

FIFA had not directly addressed the Europeans' request several weeks ago for permission to wear the heart-shaped, multi-colored logo, then unveiled its proposal on Saturday.

The FIFA choice of slogans for group games include "SaveThePlanet," "ProtectChildren" and "ShareTheMeal."

"These campaigns have taken into account feedback received from our member associations who, like FIFA, are committed to using the power of football to effect positive change around the world," the soccer body said.

The slogan "NoDiscrimination" – the only one that aligns with the European teams' wish – is scheduled to appear at the quarterfinal stage.

"Obviously the short notice is surprising," Germany team director Oliver Bierhoff said within two hours of the announcement. "It looks as if FIFA doesn't have a clear stance."

Denmark starts on Tuesday against Tunisia and captain Simon Kjaer should be wearing the "One Love" armband.

"What the consequences will be, I don't know," Eriksen said at a news conference where he wore a plain black T-shirt for practice.

Denmark has the option of playing in a black game jersey, the color of mourning for migrant workers who died helping build infrastructure needed for hosting the tournament.

Denmark sporting director Peter Moller described the timing of FIFA's announcement as "a little bit strange."

"We think the (armband) that we are playing with," Moller said, "is an even stronger statement."

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Day before FIFA World Cup, Qatar faces overcrowding troubles

DOHA, Qatar

AUTHORITIES turned away thousands of fans Saturday night from a concert celebrating the World Cup beginning the next day in Qatar, revealing the challenges ahead for Doha as it tries to manage crowds in FIFA's most-compact tournament ever.

Disappointed fans took being turned away largely in stride. Outside the venue, Qatari police, security guards and others guided the thousands away with giant foam fingers, bullhorns and blinking traffic control wands.

But the overflowing concert comes before the rest of the 1.2 million fans expected at the tournament arrive in this tiny nation on the Arabian Peninsula.

And with Qatar deciding only Friday to ban beer sales from tournament stadiums, fan zones like the one on the corniche hosting the concert will be the only FIFA-associated area serving pints – meaning more fans could wind up there.

"We know that what the police say here goes," said a 30-year-old trucker from Mumbai,



In this image from video, Qatari police stand by on horseback as other security officials try to control a crowd at a FIFA Fan Zone ahead of the World Cup in Doha, Qatar, Saturday, Nov. 19, 2022. Authorities turned away thousands of fans Saturday night from a concert celebrating the World Cup beginning the next day in Qatar, revealing the challenges ahead for Doha as it tries to manage crowds in FIFA's most-compact tournament ever. (AP Photo)

who declined to give his name for fear of reprisals. He and his friends had got a rare day off from Hamad Port to walk 6 kilometers (3.7 miles) to the fan zone before being turned away.

"We're sad to leave because it's too early," he added. "There's nothing we can do."

Qatar's Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy, which oversees the World Cup, said in a statement to The Associated Press it was "absolutely delighted" with the opening of the Fan Zone.

"The event reached its capacity of 40,000 peo-

ple, ... a sign of its success and popularity," the committee said.

Qatar, home to 3 million people, will see its population swell as the tournament begins. It has spent over \$200 billion for improvements across this energy-rich country slightly larger than Jamaica.

That includes a vast new underground metro system that can whisk fans from the airports to matches. It has even closed schools for the month and urged residents to work from home.

But AP journalists

have seen pinch points where an overwhelming number of people can be bunched together even before the tournament begins.

In Doha's Souq Waqif, a major tourist destination, a walkway between outdoor restaurants quickly filled shoulder to shoulder Friday night. Its nearby metro station saw long lines, with some pushing and shoving between orderlies and those taking the train.

Saturday night, however, started much smoother as Friday is the mandatory day off for all

workers in the country. Fewer people strolled the corniche as a massive fireworks show suddenly went off, illuminating Doha's glittering skyline to awed passersby.

Just after 8 p.m., however, crowds thronged the Fan Zone, hoping to attend a concert featuring Lebanese singer Myriam Fares and Colombian singer Maluma. But as hundreds squeezed inside a holding pen, thousands more waited outside the venue.

At one exit, the crowd tried to argue its way inside, with a few spectators slipping past guards. At an entrance, one security guard with a bullhorn pleaded with the crowd: "For your safety, please go back!"

AP journalists saw police on horseback at one point in the fan holding area, as well as one armored police vehicle parked outside nearby. Some attendees jumped over barriers and Qatari police at one point held back the crowd.

Still, some visitors stayed and waited, hoping for a chance to get in, like Ayman Awad, a geologist who flew to Qatar on Saturday from Sudan.

"I won't give up," Awad said. "I hope it doesn't

stay this crowded."

Many foreign fans, aware of Qatar's restrictions on free speech, were wary of criticizing the host country as they waited. A group of Saudi tourists who expressed disappointment at the situation to an AP journalist later retracted their quotes for fear of wading into "politics."

The Fan Zone at Al Bidda Park plans other major concerts as well during the tournament. But it has taken on new prominence after Friday's decision to ban alcohol sales at stadiums: It will be one of the few places outside of hotel bars and private residences where fans can have a drink while partying in this conservative Islamic nation.

On Saturday night, a quick set of calls to several bars in Doha's West Bay, an area full of high-end hotels, found that all were fully booked the night before the tournament as the Fan Zone was shut.

Yet the real test will begin Sunday, as Ecuador faces Qatar in the opening match and the group stage follows behind – with the crowds to come.

AP

France star Karim Benzema out for World Cup with leg injury

DOHA, Qatar

ONE month after raising the Ballon d'Or in triumph to crown his remarkable rise, Karim Benzema's dream of winning the World Cup is over before he has even played a game in Qatar.

Defending champion France's World Cup hopes took a huge blow with the news that its star striker Benzema is out of the tournament after tearing a muscle in his left thigh during training on Saturday.

"Karim Benzema is out of the World Cup," the French soccer federation (FFF) said. "After hurting the quadriceps on his left thigh the Real Madrid striker is forced to give up on taking part in the World Cup."

Benzema was participating in his first full training session with Les Bleus when he had to come off after feeling some pain in his left thigh, the FFF said.

"He went for an MRI scan in a hospital (clinic) in Doha, which unfortunately confirmed a tear," the FFF said, adding that he will need three weeks to recover.

Benzema addressed his fans after the news emerged.

"I've never given up in my life but tonight I have to think of the team, as I have always done," Benzema posted on his Instagram account. "So reason tells me to give my place to someone who can help our squad have a great World Cup. Thanks for all your messages of support."

France coach Didier Deschamps said: "I'm very sad for Karim who had made this World Cup a major objective."

Benzema had hardly played at all in recent weeks – since winning the Ballon d'Or, he has played fewer than 30 minutes for Madrid –

and this was his first full training session with France.

France faces Australia on Tuesday in Group D, then Denmark four days later and Tunisia on Nov. 30.

It is a crushing blow for Benzema, only the fifth Frenchman to win the Ballon d'Or award and the first since Zinedine Zidane, his idol, in 1998.

The hugely talented Benzema, who is of Algerian descent, came through Lyon's renowned youth academy and scored the first of his Champions League goals as an audaciously gifted 17-year-old. He's now fourth all-time with 86 goals.

Benzema was France's top scorer at the 2014 World Cup but did not play in France's victorious 2018 World Cup campaign because he was still exiled from the team for his alleged role in a sex-tape scandal with then-France teammate Mathieu Valbuena.

The fallout from that scandal led to a dramatic fall from grace for Benzema. He faced a nationwide deluge of vitriol and scathing criticism, including on the political level. It led to a long exclusion from the national team from Oct. 2015 until his recall by Deschamps in May last year.

With his relationship with Deschamps repaired, Benzema scored freely for France with 10 goals in 16 games since coming back to reach 37 overall, and he formed a great partnership with Kylian Mbappe.

He won the hearts of French fans and cemented his place in the affections of Madrid's equally demanding supporters. Benzema won five Champions League titles and has moved up



FILE - Real Madrid's Karim Benzema acknowledges the audience after winning the 2022 Ballon d'Or trophy during the 66th Ballon d'Or ceremony at Theatre du Chatelet in Paris, France, Monday, Oct. 17, 2022. (AP Photo)

to second place in Madrid's all-time scoring list with 329 goals.

At last year's European Championship, Benzema looked sharp and was France's top scorer with four goals.

Earlier this week Benzema gave reassuring news in an extract of an interview with L'Equipe's television channel, which was set to air on Sunday.

"I'm fine. I had a bit of pain but no tear and no serious injury. I could have played (for Madrid) but I wasn't at 100%," he told L'Equipe's TV chan-

nel this week.

Now Benzema joins the list of big names injured shortly before the World Cup – like Senegal's Sadio Mane and Germany's Timo Werner. Not to mention Benzema's own teammates, Paul Pogba, N'Gole Kante and Christopher Nkunku.

Deschamps has seen his squad riddled with injuries.

Nkunku was injured just minutes before the end of the team's training session on Tuesday evening and replaced in the squad by Randal Kolo Muani on Wednes-

day.

Deschamps is already missing midfielders Pogba and Kante, who helped France win the World Cup four years ago.

Deschamps has an anxious wait to see if his best central defender, Raphael Varane, is fit to face Australia – exactly a month since he limped off for Manchester United with a hamstring injury.

Fellow World Cup winner and central defender Presnel Kimpembe pulled out Monday after failing to sufficiently re-

cover from a six-week layoff following a hamstring injury.

Even without Benzema, France still has a strong attack to face Australia. France is likely to start with Olivier Giroud as the central striker, flanked by 2018 World Cup star Mbappe and either Barcelona's Ousmane Dembele or veteran Antoine Griezmann.

Giroud has scored 49 goals for France, Griezmann has 42 and the 23-year-old Mbappe already has 28. Dembele has been in fine form for Spanish league leader Barcelona this season.

Deschamps has until Monday – the eve of the Australia game – to call up a replacement for Benzema to his 26-player squad. Monaco striker Wissam Ben Yedder, who has three international goals, could be an option.

But Deschamps already has ample forward backup with Bayern Munich winger Kingsley Coman, Marcus Thuram and Kolo Muani.

Benzema would have turned 35 the day after the World Cup final. If France reaches it, he won't be there to play in Qatar, just like four years ago in Russia.

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Tanzania squad wins 2022 CANA Zone 3 Swimming Championships top honour

By Guardian Correspondent

TANZANIA's national swimming team, alias 'Tanzanite', has triumphed in the 2022 African Swimming Confederation (CANA) Zone Three Championships that took place in Dar es Salaam last weekend.

The Tanzanite squad collected 3,061 points to overshadow the other nine countries' teams that featured in the event held at the Dar es Salaam Gymkhana Club's swimming pool.

Apart from Tanzania, other participating countries were Uganda, Zambia, South Africa, Burundi, Sudan, Djibouti, Rwanda, and Ethiopia. The success has for that matter witnessed Tanzania emerge as the continental showdown's winner for the third time in history.

The second place was won by swimmers who were given chance to compete in the event while their country has been suspended. The swimmers collected 2,768 while Uganda finished third with 2,521.50 points, and Zambia settled for fourth place with 1,878 points.

The fifth position was won by South Africa after collecting 1,385.50 points while Burundi ended in the sixth position after collecting 653 points, followed by South Sudan which came seventh after collecting 213 points.

The results show that Djibouti notched 87 points, Rwanda (67 points), and Ethiopia (47 points) finishing eighth, ninth, and 10th respectively in the competition's log.

Speaking yesterday, Tanzania Swimming Association (TSA)'s organizing committee Chairperson Hadija Shebe congratulated the swimmers' performances in the championships that attracted 263 swimmers from 10 countries.

Tanzania fielded 63 swimmers who were coached by Alexander Mwaipasi, Michael Livingstone, Kanisi Mabena, Zubeir Likoko, Odilo Kamata, Thobias Mwangunga, and Msabila Charles.

Hadija said they are extremely proud of the swimmers' results and winning the showdown's title for the third time in history.

"We feel proud of the victory and this is the third time in history our swimmers win the title," she said.

Tanzania won the title for the first time in 2016 in Kigali, Rwanda, and later won it in 2017 in the championships held in its backyard.

The TSA boss also commended the swimmers, coaches and the association for ensuring the showdown takes place in the country and facilitating the hosts' swimmers' triumph.

Mgunda hails Chama's influence on Simba SC thrashing of Ruvu Shooting



Ruvu Shooting defenders (in white jerseys) block Simba SC attacker John Bocco as they took on each other in the 2022/23 NBC Premier League duel that took place in Dar es Salaam on Saturday. PHOTO: COURTESY OF SIMBA SC

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

SIMBA SC interim head coach Juma Mgunda admitted Clatus Chama helped to bring the best out of his squad after seeing the Zambian attacking midfielder help his side beat Ruvu Shooting 4-0 to move to the top of the 2022/23 NBC Premier League.

In Saturday's encounter which took place at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam, Chama returned with a bang, setting up two assists to goal-getter John Bocco and also providing a key pass to left-back Mohamed Hussein for the opening goal.

Chama was playing for the first time since his three-game suspension for a fair play violation incident in last month's Dar es Salaam derby between Simba SC and Young Africans SC, alias Yanga.

The tactician noted: "This is how football is, maintaining performance depends on the level of competition in front of you. You aim high, you prepare well, and believe you are going to meet an equally well-prepared opponent in the competition."

"Therefore, getting a consistent performance depends on timing though ups and downs are part and parcel of this game".

"Chama is a Simba player, and if he does well, he fulfils his duty in one way or another, he has influenced today's victory, but his presence alone is not to say that everything has been because of him."

"We have won two and drawn one in the games that Chama did not play and today he has come and we have

continued to win."

Mgunda revealed: "I must admit that Chama is one of my good players who were not in the squad, so one way or another he came back and fulfilled his duty. I am happy."

Ruvu Shooting head coach Charles Boniface Mkwasa conceded his team's approach did not work as it allowed Simba freedom to move the ball and control possession which hurt them.

The gaffer said: "Let me congratulate Simba for the results they have achieved. Simba used the opportunities they got from the mistakes we committed."

"If you can recall, we had a game plan, and we tried to enhance it by taking it from where we left in the last game but we realized it had failed within five minutes. We tried to revert to the old system."

Mkwasa conceded: "Our performance allowed Simba to dominate the ball and were able to exploit the chances that they found, so it was the technical mistakes, the defensive errors that had us conceding many goals."

"We came up with a game plan that we had used in the last two matches but we saw that it failed because we were giving Simba chances to dominate. We were arriving late for marking."

The coach noted: "And if you don't quickly close down a player who likes the ball at his feet then he is going to hurt you by making good use of the opportunity created."

Yanga's head coach Nabi praises Lomalisa and Mzize's progress

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

YOUNG Africans SC head coach Nasreddine Nabi says he was delighted by the performances showcased by left-back Joyce Lomalisa and goal-getter Clement Mzize in Premier League duels against Singida Big Stars and Kagera Sugar last week.

The duo played a part in the successful attempt their outfit, alias Yanga, had in garnering back-to-back victories over Kagera Sugar in Mwanza and Singida Big Stars in Dar es Salaam to extend the NBC Premier League defending champions' unbeaten run to 47 games.

Mzize, aged 19, opened his account for the season by scoring Yanga's all-important goal against Kagera Sugar in his first start for the club. The youngster was promoted from the Jangwani Street outfit's U-20 side.

His full debut at his club was delayed by his engagement in the national U-20 squad 'Ngorongoro Heroes' which battled it out in the 2022 U-20 AFCON qualifiers for CECAFA Zone that took place in Sudan.

Mzize came on from the bench in the Premier League duel against Singida Big Stars and had another brilliant cameo appearance.

After a slow start since his arrival from Angola, Lomalisa has slowly established himself on Yanga's first team.

The Congolese fullback



Lomalisa Mutambala. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

started in Yanga's crucial away games against Sudan's Al Hilal SC and Tunisia's Club Africain and has since played back-to-back league games for the first time.

The former DR Congo national side and AS Vita left full-back grabbed his second assist for his new club in the league when he provided a sumptuous cross to compatriot Fiston Mayele in the second half.

While Nabi admitted that Lomalisa and Mzize were both at different stages of progress, he was pleased by the progress they have made so far.

The tactician said: "I think Lomalisa is starting to adapt a little bit to Tanzanian football and his teammates, we knew that he was a good player especially on the of-

fensive level compared to his partners and with more specific work on the defensive side, on which a lot of effort must be made, I think he will be even better."

"With Clement, I knew he is a rough diamond and that is why at the start of the season when he was going to leave on loan I insisted he should be kept here to train with the first team until the right time to introduce him."

Nabi said: "He could be a very great player for Tanzania. In addition, he is someone who keeps his feet on the ground."

Yanga will return to action tomorrow with a visit to Singida to take on hosts Dodoma Jiji FC in a 2022/23 NBC Premier League game at Liti Stadium.

South Africa salutes Tanzania for protecting Morogoro historical sites

By Guardian Reporter

THE South African government has expressed gratitude and appreciation to Tanzania for continuing to preserve and protect the historical sites used by the former's freedom fighters located at Mazimbu in Morogoro.

South Africa's Deputy Minister of Sports, Arts, and Culture, Nocawe Mafu, presented compliments when speaking in the debate concerning the witnesses of the country's freedom fighters.

The event marked the second day of South Africa and Tanzania Cultural Festival which began in Dar es Salaam on November 19.

"South Africa and Tanzania are brothers, we have witnessed how you respect this brotherhood, and we are happy to see how you take care of and protect the Liberation Heritage of our continent and our country, I promise you that the agreement of our cooperation will be implemented," she revealed.

Previously, Morogoro District Commissioner Alberto Msando said the countries are cooperating in many sectors.

Msando noted the two countries' founders, Tanzania's Father of the Nation Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, and South Africa's Nelson Mandela, ensured that the countries were free as is the case with the entire African continent.

The Morogoro District Commissioner used the opportunity to guide the South African Deputy Minister, South Africa's Ambassador to Tanzania Nolutshando Malepe, and a section of the country's citizens to visit the South African freedom fighters' camp as well as the graves where the heroes who fought for the country's freedom were buried.

South Africa and Tanzania Cultural Festival seek to strengthen the two countries relations in culture, arts, and sports as part of the implementation of the Cooperation Agreement in the Culture Sector signed in 2011.

Flexibles by David Chikoko

