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## Putin: Russia has cancelled \$20bn of African debt

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THE total amount of African countries' debts to the Russian Federation that Moscow has written off has already exceeded \$20 billion, President Vladimir Putin said at a plenary session of the Russia-Africa Economic Forum on Wednesday, noting that Moscow consistently supports the development of the African continent.

"We provide trade preferences while cooperating within the framework of international structures for example through the World Food Program, International Civil Defense Organization and World Health Organization. Our country participates in the initiative on African countries' debt relief. As of now, the total amount of debt relief exceeds \$20 billion," he said.

Joint programs that envision the use of borrowed funds for financing national economic growth projects have been launched together with a number of African countries, he stated.

A busy agenda is planned within the framework of the forum, with particular ideas and proposals regarding promising areas



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of Russian-African cooperation expected to be presented to participants, the president noted.

Thus, heads of Russian companies together with the Ministry of Economic Development have prepared presentations of key Russian competences that open new possibilities for economic cooperation, he similarly indicated.

On Wednesday and Thursday this week, the resort city of Sochi is hosting the Russia-Africa Summit, co-chaired by Russian President Vladimir Putin and Egypt's head of state Abdel Fattah al-Sisi.

The leaders of all 54 African countries have been invited, and at least 40 of them have confirmed their participation. Eight major African integration associations and organizations are also involved in the event. On the summit's sidelines, an economic forum is taking place, in which the continent's heads of state and representatives of the business community and government agencies participate. The Roscongress Foundation is the organizer of the event, and TASS is the official photo host agency of the summit and economic forum.

# Russia firms invited to revamp most railways, build new ones



President John Magufuli bids farewell to the Asia-Africa Legal Consultative Organisation Vice President, who is also Minister for Legal Affairs of Palestine, Prof. Mohamad Shalaldeh moments after their talks at State House in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Looking on is the Minister for Justice and Constitutional Affairs, Dr Augustine Mahiga. Photo: State House

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By Guardian Reporter

PRIME Minister Kassim Majaliwa has invited state-owned Russian Railways Company for formal talks on implementation of projects ranging from rehabilitation of the existing railway lines to construction of new ones.

The PM, who is representing President John Magufuli in the Russia-Africa Summit which kicked off yesterday, extended the invitation during his meeting with the Managing Director of Russian Railways, Alexander Misharin in the city of Sochi on Tuesday.

A statement released yesterday by the Prime Minister's Office said Majaliwa told Misharin of the government's plan to develop commuter train services in the major cities of Dar es Salaam, Mwanza, Dodoma, Arusha, Mbeya and Tanga.

He said the project also includes the rehabilitation of the Tanzania Zambia Railway (TAZARA), the Tanzania Railway Corporation (TRC) central line from Dar es Salaam to Kigoma and to Mwanza on Lake Victoria as well as the northern line from Tanga to Arusha.



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The premier said the company was well placed to take up the project given its expertise in managing infrastructure and operating freight and passenger train services.

The PM suggested that should the talks result into a Russian company taking up the job, undertaken in collaboration with Tanzanian companies so that the country benefits from technology transfer at the end of the works.

"The government also plans to build another railway line in the southern corridor from Mtwara to Ruvuma Region. This line will connect the port of Mtwara to hinterlands of the southern regions as well as neighbouring states of Malawi and Zambia," the statement noted, citing remarks from the premier.

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Earlier, Majaliwa met directors of the Russian agricultural machinery manufacturing company BTP, Alexsey Punkov and Ignat Dydyshkoa who expressed interest in investing in Tanzania in the supply of tractors and other

## National Service commander sets tone to uplift army wing

By Henry Mwangonde

RECENTLY appointed head of the National Service, Brig-Gen Charles Mbugu is meeting heads of training camps, economic units and operational departments to lay out strategies aimed at turning the military wing into a highly efficient and productive entity churning out skilled and disciplined youth.

The two days meeting which started yesterday is expected to come up with a strategy on how the entity will carry out its duties going forward to fulfill its three legal roles of being a disciplined youth upbringing, wealth generating and national



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defense organ.

Speaking during the opening ceremony Brig Gen Mbugu said the meeting will among other things allow the various heads of department to discuss and strategize on how to move forward, including establishing modern agriculture practices to enable bumper yields and move away with rain dependent farming.

"I have been in this position for a short while, asked myself on what we have done so far but there is a lot to be done and this will be possible if we work together," he said.

He said the National Service Department is

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## Child rights NGOs jubilant at marriage age appeal verdict

By Guardian Reporter

CHILD rights advocacy organization celebrated as the Court of Appeal yesterday upheld the 2016 judgment by the High Court that declared marriage before the age of 18 as unconstitutional.

The government immediately appealed against the High Court decision to strike out all provisions in the Marriage Act, 1971 which allowed girls to marry at 15 with parental consent and 14 with the permission of a court.

"What a day for girls in Tanzania! Finally the Court of Appeal has upheld the landmark 2016



ruling by the High Court which set the minimum age of marriage for girls from the age of 14 years to 18 yrs," said Plan Tanzania in a tweet.

With a message 'a child is not a wife, end child marriage' Equality Now posted on its social media platforms:

The 2016 High Court decision stated that the 1971 Marriage Act provisions that allow girls to marry at 15 with parental consent and 14 with the permission of a court were unconstitutional.

The judicial move at the time came barely a week after the country, which has one of the

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Lands, Housing and Urban Settlements Development Deputy minister Angeline Mabula (L) inspects the construction of Tanzania Forest Services offices at Rongai in Rombo district, Kilimanjaro region yesterday. Photo: Munir Shemweta

## Tanzania declares stand on ongoing Hong Kong protest

By Correspondent James Kandoya

TANZANIA has declared its stand on the ongoing Hong Kong protest insisting to support China's legitimate handling of the matter under the 'one country, two systems' arrangement.

Legal and Constitution Affairs Minister, ambassador Dr Augustine Mahiga made the statement on Tuesday when speaking at the reception to celebrate the 5th anniversary of China-Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) research and exchange programme on international laws.

Ambassador Mahiga said the ongoing issue in Hong Kong is China's internal affair and that it has started measures to address the issue which include meeting with their people to find amicable solutions.

"We support the 'one country, two systems' arrangement of the government of the People's Republic of China. The doctrine is within

the UN charter that internal affairs of countries have to be left to the countries themselves to resolve," he said.

He added the internal steps that the Hong Kong government that has been taking are the best approach which countries need to support. He said wherever there were issues, violent protests and violent ways were not the best approach to resolve problems anywhere on earth.

The minister urged other countries to refrain from promoting or instigating riot or engage in unlawful activities.

"Let the people of Hong Kong and China manage the situation in amicable settlement," he noted.

Commenting on the role of China to AALCO, Dr Mahiga said it had played a big role in shaping the international rule of law.

China ambassador to Tanzania, Wang Ke said her government will neither allow any foreign force to interfere in Hong Kong's affairs, nor allow the 'color

revolution' to take place.

"I would like to express our gratitude to all the countries including Tanzania who have spoken out boldly to uphold justice and actively voiced their support for China. We hope that more countries could see through the nature of the Hong Kong issue, and work with China to uphold the basic principles of international law without interfering in other country's internal affairs", said Ke.

"What I want to say is, numerous hard facts have proven that the disturbance started by the amendment to the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance in Hong Kong has degenerated into extreme violence planned and manipulated by some force with ulterior motives," she added.

Ambassador Ke added that China had always been staunch upholder of international law and an active promoter of Asian-Africa unity saying it has been willing to work with other Asian and African countries to

strengthen exchange and cooperation on international law.

She said AALCO has served as important institutions and platforms for Asian and African countries to strengthen their legal exchanges and cooperation and jointly safeguard the authority of international law.

The AALCO - research and exchange programme on international laws is one of Chinese government initiative set up in 2015 with a view to enhancing exchange and cooperation in international law among Afro-Asian countries.

Since its establishment, AALCO has provided an important platform to promote and advance common position and bringing change at international level for the benefits of the regions.

AALCO is an international governmental organization formed in 1956, initially to serve as an advisory board to member states on matters on international law.

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mandated to train youth to become responsible citizens and be ready to defend the country.

"We should tell them that JKT is not an employment corridor but a centre to get self-dependence knowledge and strive to end their perception on their stay at the National Service as a hallway for employment," he said.

He also stated that there are some National Service officers who trick the youth to wait for employment.

Officers must be at the forefront

to tell the youth and train them to be patriotic and be ready to defend their country, he emphasized, affirming that the meeting is expected to improve the way the National Service Department operates.

In April President John Magufuli promoted Brig Gen. Mbugu from the rank of colonel and ordered the promotion of 100 other officers who took part in the construction of 41 staff houses for State House servants and 10 office buildings that will house ministries in the capital, Dodoma.

## Veteran politician James Mapalala dies at 83

By Guardian Reporter

A VETERAN politician and the first Tanzanian who demanded the reinstatement of the multiparty democracy in 1986, James Mapalala has died at the age of 83.

Bernard James, who is the deceased's son said the founder of Tanzania's multiparty democracy died at the Dar es Salaam's Hubert Kairuki Memorial Hospital (HKMH) where he was receiving treatment.

He said his father died at around 10:30am and he was admitted at the hospital for nearly two weeks after developing breathing complications.

James said family members and friends would be meeting at the deceased's home in Kinondoni Morocco and details of his burial would be announced in the due course.

In 1986, Mapalala was jailed for

two years in Lindi and later taken to detention in the Mafia Island before being released in 1989.

He was accused of forming a political party contrary to demands of the country's constitution and laws governing the country at that time.

He officially formed the Chama cha Wananchi (CCW) in 1991, and then united it with another political party formed in Zanzibar-Kamahuru to form the present Civic United Front (CUF) in 1993.

He was elected the first party's national chairman, the position he served until 1994, when his tenure ended following a political wrangle that erupted in the party.

The party was then left in the hands of Prof Ibrahim Lipumba as the national chairman and Seif Shariff Hamad as secretary general.

Mapalala is survived by a wife and several children.

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equipment.

The premier was accompanied by the deputy minister for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation,

Dr Damas Ndumbaro, the Tanzanian Ambassador to Russia Maj Gen (rtd) Simon Mumwi and the managing director of the Tanzania Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC) James Mataragio.

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highest rates of child marriage globally, made it an offense for people to marry primary and secondary school age girls punishable by up to 30 years in prison.

The High Court ruling was made in response to a petition filed by Rebecca Gyumi, founder of Msichana Initiative, a charity promoting girls' rights.

The group argued that provisions in the Marriage Act violated girls' rights to equality, dignity and access to education as granted by the constitution.

The High Court said in the ruling that the law was discriminatory and unfair because it allowed a girl of 14 to be married while males could only marry once they reach 18.

The court ordered the government to amend the Marriage Act within the next year and ruled that the legal marriage age for men and women should be recognized as 18 years, which the government has not carried out.

Tanzania has one of the highest adolescent pregnancy and birth rates in the world, and 21 percent of girls aged 15 to 19 have given birth, according to a 2015/16 survey by the Tanzania Bureau of Statistics.

## Coast region traders, entrepreneurs counseled on the TBS certification

By Correspondent Felix Andrew

TRADERS and entrepreneurs in Coast region have been urged to certify their products to relevant authorities so as enable compete in local and foreign markets.

The advice was given yesterday by the public relations officer of Tanzania Bureau of Standards, Neema Mtemvu at the just ended Coast region industrial week and Investment event.

She said the organisation has participated in the event in order to educate entrepreneurs on the importance of standards and procedures to obtain licence of quality mark.

She noted that the cost of obtaining such mark for entrepreneurs is free, since the government had already covered it.

She explained that any interested entrepreneur must get an introduction letter from Small Industries Development Organisation (SIDO) and forward to TBS where the process to obtain license starts.

Mtemvu said the bureau recognize the role played by entrepreneurs in increasing Gross Domestic Product and employment creation, that is why they have been sensitizing them to obtain

the license.

She said in developing industrial economy, entrepreneurs have to adhere to standards that are the motive behind to which led them to participate in the exhibition.

The TBS official appealed to residents in Coast region and other areas to consume certified products for their health benefits.

In the meantime, she said they have used the opportunity to inform participants on change of roles which was earlier conducted by the former Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA) and now are being done by TBS.

The fifth phase government has identified the challenge, and now it is much easier to obtain the quality mark of licence and it has reduced unnecessary procedures.

Opening an investment and business forum as well as investment guideline for the Coast region last week, Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa was quoted as urging investors to report any corrupt-related hurdles they face, noting that Tanzania is currently earnestly determined to curb the vice.

He said: At any place where you face obstacles due to corruption, please report, and we will deal with the government official involved.



Arusha Regional Administrative Secretary Recharad Kwitega shows parthenium hysterophorus to journalists and stakeholders at a meeting held at the Tropical Pesticides Research Institute in Arusha yesterday. Photo: Correspondent Daniel Sabuni

## Sixty nine arrested for illegal water connections in Mbeya

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

SIXTY NINE people have been arrested in Mbeya City accused of sabotaging water infrastructure of the city's Water Supply and Sanitation Authority (WSSA) including illegal water connections.

The acts of sabotage have reportedly caused Mbeya WSSA to suffer 76m/- loss that has been spent to repair the infrastructures.

Speaking to reporters in his office early this week Mbeya WSSA Managing Director Eng. Ndele Mengo said cases against some of those nabbed are already in court whilst others have agreed to settle the issues out of court by agreeing to pay compensation.

Eng. Mengo said: "Up to now a total of 28m/- only has been paid as compensation and we have given the others seven days to do so because they are just thieves like any other, and if they fail to pay we will take legal action against them."

He said Mbeya WSSA spends huge sums of money to treat and supply as they have 15 sources of water that use electricity and 10 water treatment plants stations, hence any acts of sabotage cause huge losses to them.

He reiterated that WSSA will not pardon any person who will be arrested stealing water or sabotaging the authority's infrastructures because such acts deny other law abiding citizens to have better water supply service.

In another development Eng Mengo said government institutions owe Mbeya WSSA a total of 1.5b/- in unpaid water bills.

He said the institutions include defense and security, health centres, education institutions and the office of Mbeya City Director.

He said JWTZ owes WSSA 43.9m/-, Police Force (657.9m/-), Prisons Service (631.9m/-) and Prisons Training College (225.8m/-)

He also urged the wananchi to continue to cooperate with WSSA by paying their water bills to enable the authority to operate profitably. He also urged them to cooperate by giving information on any breakdowns to the WSSA infrastructures that may cause loss of water or leakages to sewerage drainage.





Dr Ntuyabaliwe Foundation, director Jacqueline Mengi (C) listens to one of the Kinondoni primary school pupils who attended a six-week entrepreneurship training conducted by her foundation on customer care services at the closing ceremony in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Others from left are the school's committee chairman, Swedi Twaibu, Mwanayamala ward education officer Joshua Biswalo and the school's headteacher Adelina Kessi. Photo: Selemani Mpochi

## Dr Ntuyabaliwe Foundation provides entrepreneurship training to Kinondoni schools

By Aisia Rweyemamu

THE Dr Ntuyabaliwe Foundation has provided entrepreneurship training to eleven Kinondoni primary school pupils to assist them think outside the box and be able to employ themselves in future.

The training dubbed 'Future centillionear' aims at building the pupil's capacity on various entrepreneurship issues and make them more creative.

Speaking during the centillionear graduation ceremony in Dar es Salaam yesterday the founder and chairperson of Dr Ntuyabaliwe Foundation, Jacqueline Mengi said the foundation was purposely established to encourage pupils to read books whereas the foundation has upgraded libraries at some schools in Dar es Salaam, Morogoro and Dodoma regions.

The training, which is the first to be offered by the foundation was conducted for six weeks.

"We want our children to start learning entrepreneurship skills at their ground level, we have started with Kinondoni primary school where a total of eleven pupils had benefited", said the foundation chairperson.

She added that it was high time to impart the knowledge to pupils while at childhood so that they are able to practice entrepreneurship at adulthood. She said children should be capacitated to stand on their own instead of

waiting to be employed.

Mwanayamala Ward Education Officer, Joshua Biswalo, urged parents and guardians to support the initiative in order to put into practice the entrepreneurship education the children had received.

"We have witnessed the children been able to make various items such as cards, paper bags and tools to keep cash by using plastic bottles. They are making all these items using materials available in our surrounding environments", said Biswalo urging the pupils to share the knowledge to their fellows to make the education accessible to all the pupils.

One of the programme beneficiaries, Jenifer John, a Standard Six pupil at Kinondoni primary school thanked the foundation for providing them with the necessary training.

Kinondoni primary school head teacher, Adelina Kessi said: "We are grateful for the library; it had helped to expand our pupil's understanding of various issues as well as making them more creative".

Representing parents, chairman of the school committee, Swed Twaibu, applauded efforts made by the foundation in empowering school children with entrepreneurship skills.

Twaibu called upon other institutions to emulate what Dr Ntuyabaliwe Foundation is doing by assisting pupils in other schools across the country.

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

## UCSAF to connect 708 wards with communication network

THE Universal Communication Service Access Fund (UCSAF) had finalised plans to connect 708 wards in the country with mobile phone connectivity at a cost of 118 million/-, it has been learnt.

It is part of the government's plans to extend networks coverage to all villages in the country by December 2020, supported mainly through the fund.

Speaking here on Monday UCSAF's acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Jusina Mashiba said her organisation is determined to ensure all villages in the country have network connections.

She made the remarks during the opening of a five-day training on basic computer troubleshooting training for some 1,044 public primary and secondary school teacher.

"Apart from training for the teachers, UCSAF has also has the main duty to provide network connectivity in the rural areas" she said, adding that up to now the fund had reached 704 wards.

Officiating at the event, minister of State, President's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government, Selemani Jafo noted that mobile phone

network connectivity is very important and ease communications in the country.

He said the government had achieved a lot through improved communications, especially through information and communication technology.

"The government had increased revenue collections tremendously mainly through electronic system, a clear importance of improved network connections," he said.

He thanked UCSAF for the good work

it is doing to ensure all Tanzanians access communication networks and improve their performances.

In April this year, the Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa urged all mobile phone network service providers operating in the east African nation to extend their network to cover all villages by December 2020.

He said access to communication network in rural areas is the government's target, which has support from the Universal Communications Service Access Fund (UCSAF).

"The mobile phone network providers have no option but to work in line with the government in making it a reality," said Majaliwa at an event to mark 10 years of UCSAF services in the country.

The premier said communication was vital in accelerating economic growth towards attaining a middle income economy by 2025.

He said the government had enabled 2,501 villages in the country, with five million people to be reached with communication. "Let all mobile

phone service providers work with the government and ensure the remaining Tanzanians who are not currently reached by communication network enjoy the services by the end of next year," appealed Majaliwa.

He expressed appreciation to UCSAF, saying as it marked 10 years of service, many parts of the country were now accessible to communication network.

Majaliwa urged UCSAF to identify areas with communication network challenges in the country for the government to act immediately.

By Guardian Correspondent,

Morogoro

## Eleven illegal immigrants from Ethiopia nabbed in Morogoro

IMMIGRATION authorities in Morogoro region had apprehended 11 illegal immigrants from Ethiopia.

The illegal immigrants were nabbed from various areas in the region including Makunganya forest along Morogoro - Dodoma highway, and Mikumi in Kilosa District.

Morogoro Regional Immigration Officer Assistant Commissioner (AC) Angela Shija confirmed the arrests and called on the wananchi to unearth them wherever they are.

Shija warned people who engage themselves in the trafficking of the illegal immigrants saying it is a criminal offence to do so and stern measures will be taken against them.

Speaking about the operation, Shija said the first batch of seven illegal immigrants was nabbed on October 21, this year at around 8.00 pm when they were abandoned at Makunganya Forest in Morogoro Municipality.

She said the immigrants were waiting to be picked up for transportation to South Africa, and named those arrested as Demeke Gobebo Challamo, Abethere Lamango, Handimo Adago, Habatamu Tsagaye Arab, Matwose Lomero, Ndemis Baasore Logichu and Teseme Watango.

She said: "We apprehended them after we were tipped off by 'Good Samatitans' who saw them disembarking from a vehicle after which we immediately acted," said AC Shija.

The immigration official explained that the other four illegal immigrants were apprehended in

Mikumi area on October 19 at around midnight in Kilosa district. She said they were being transported to South Africa. They are Samaredi Mohamed, Desta Gebire, Dembolo Tambembo and Degeta Lamado.


Residents of Morogoro Municipality - Remmy Yasinti, Agrey Evarist,

Happy Stambuli and Erica Francis at different times said it would better for the wananchi to cooperate with immigration officers to patrol border areas to control the entry of the immigrants.

They added that other people may use the loopholes to smuggle in

firearms or illicit drugs.

Illegal immigrants have been apprehended within Tanzania borders from time to time especially in Coast, Morogoro and Tanga regions and mostly they use unauthorised routes to enter the country assisted by some local people.



**RFQ N° UNFPA/PROC/RFQ/2019/019**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**End line Evaluation of the Project on Strengthening Health Systems to Reduce Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in Simiyu Region**

**Background**  
Over the last four decades the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Tanzania Country Office has been supporting the country's efforts to promote universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), including increasing access to high-quality voluntary family planning information and services and maternal and child health care, to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe, and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

In line with the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania's efforts to improve Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH), UNFPA provides support to 11 regions on mainland Tanzania – Dodoma, Geita, Kagera, Kigoma, Lindi, Mara, Mtwara, Mwanza, Tabora, Simiyu and Shinyanga – and Zanzibar to increase access to high-quality, integrated SRHR services, including voluntary family planning information and services and comprehensive maternal and child health care. To build on these efforts, and to address existing challenges, UNFPA, in collaboration with the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), has been implementing the 'Nlilinde, Nikulinde' project – "Strengthening Health Systems to Reduce Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Project" – in Simiyu Region. The project started in July 2017 and will end 31 December 2019.

**Evaluation Objectives**  
The consultant is required to conduct a participatory end line project evaluation to measure project results at outcome and output levels. The findings are expected to be derived from health facilities and population-based information in project intervention areas, focusing on knowledge, attitudes, practices, awareness, satisfaction with, and utilization of RMNCAH services. The consultant will document the challenges/constraints in regard to the implementation of project interventions and draw out lessons learned and emerging best practices. *The overarching objective is to assess the relevance, effectiveness, efficiency and sustainability of project interventions in both comprehensive and non-comprehensive districts.*

**Qualifications**  
The evaluation will be conducted by an institution. The institution must have a good track record and extensive experience in planning and conducting evaluations, particularly in the field of health.

**How to apply:**  
The Request for Quotation (RFQ) template and Terms of Reference (TOR) for this consultancy are posted on UNFPA Tanzania's Country Office website accessible at: <http://tanzania.unfpa.org>. Within the site the RFQ N° UNFPA/PROC/RFQ/2019/019 and TORs can be found at <https://tanzania.unfpa.org/en/vacancies/request-quotation-n%C2%BA-unfpa-proc-rfq-2019019>. Interested firms or institutions can send their application documents i.e. technical and financial proposals to [tanzania.office@unfpa.org](mailto:tanzania.office@unfpa.org)

**Deadline for applications is: Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 5:00 PM Tanzanian Time. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.**

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with your love, wisdom, kindness, sound advice, laughter and generosity. All these shall continue to inspire many of us. You are no longer in our life to share, but in our hearts you are always there.

Joseph, it was hard to believe your passing that Saturday morning on the 27th October 2018, but we thank God for the courage he provided to us especially for our girls who have continued to be strong. Our God is such a gracious God and he gave us so much. He let us keep your memory with us.

You are profoundly missed by your loving wife **Emmy**, children **Daniella** and **Damita**. Your Brothers and Sisters, relatives and friends.

Memorial and thanks giving mass shall be held on Saturday, 26th October 2019 at St Joseph Cathedral, Dar es Salaam from 10.30 am.

Joseph, your life was not in vain. You have touched so many lives on earth

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**Psalm 23:6**  
*"Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord"*

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# PASS to provide 210bn/- guaranteed loans for agricultural entrepreneurs

By Getrude Mbago

THE Tanzania Private Agricultural Sector Support (PASS) Trust expects to reach at least 235,253 agricultural entrepreneurs and provide 210bn/- guaranteed loans so as to improve their farming and increase productivity.

According to PASS managing director Nicomed

Bohay, the organisation will help farmers in various regions to increase their output by facilitating access to farm quality inputs, training and mentoring services.

"Through this initiative, we expect also to generate 700,000 direct and indirect jobs in the agricultural sector thus complimenting the

country's efforts to address unemployment in the country," he said.

Bohay said in Dares Salaam on Tuesday during the event to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Tanzanian Agricultural Development Bank (TADB) for establishment of a special agribusiness financing programme for youth,

women and Small Scale Entrepreneurs (SMEs).

He said the organisation helps people with innovative ideas to learn how to grow their businesses, access market and be able to build business partnership and networks for development.

The managing director also said that the bank is currently implementing an incubation project at the at Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) to support young entrepreneurs who are involved in greenhouse production, fish breeding, poultry, goats, processing and small-scale farmers to improve their farming and thus grab local and international markets.

"We also have another centre at Kongwa in Dodoma region where we work with the Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI) support young entrepreneurs with essential skills, knowledge as well as financially in livestock keeping, and meat processing," he said.

Bohay said that since its inception in 2000 to last year, PASS has supported a total of 929,102 agricultural entrepreneurs with guaranteed loans amounting to 712bn/-. The beneficiaries are from various sub sectors of livestock, crop production, processing, crop trading, irrigation infrastructures, crop transportation, bee keeping, fish farming as well as inputs trading.

"In view of this, we commit to continue facilitating collaboration

in financing agribusiness undertaken by the youth, women and SMEs in the

country," he added. PASS Trust is a Non-Governmental Organization

which assists farmers to access loan facilities for viable investments through

appraisal of loan write-ups in line with specific bank's terms and conditions.



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TTCL Corporation director general Waziri Kindamba (2nd R) and head of Burundi Backbone Systems (BBS) Elie Ntihogumwe shows to journalists documents shortly after signing trade agreement contract in Dar es Salaam on Tuesday where TTCL will provide communication services to BBS within two years. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

## Kanyasu calls for revival of Tabora Zoo

By Guardian Correspondent, Tabora

DEPUTY Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism Constantine Kanyasu has directed Tanzania wildlife Authority (TAWA) to meet Tabora regional authorities to discuss on how to revive Tabora Zoo.

He also called on TAWA to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with them on how to operate the zoo instead of engaging in tussle while they are all from the same government.

Kanyasu issued the directive yesterday during his visit at the Zoo following complaints from Members of Parliament from Tabora Region that the

facility was neglected.

He said the discussions on how to operate the zoo between Tabora Regional Authorities and TAWA started in 2012 but up to today no solution had come to fruition, hence he does not see any concrete reason for the issue to remain unresolved for such a long time as if TAWA wants complete control of the facility including its buildings etc.

He said failing to arrive at some agreement by the two sides is denying Tabora residents and neighbouring regions to enjoy the attractions of the zoo.

Speaking about tourism offered by the zoo Kanyasu said more than

98 percent of wildlife found in the country are in the designated Reserves hence the revival of Tabora Zoo will offer opportunity for many domestic tourists to visit it.

On his part the representative from Tabora Regional Administrative Officer (RAS) Amosi Nyenda said the region is ready to ensure the facility is operated by TAWA except that there have been miscommunications from the two sides.

He said the improvement to Tabora Zoo will spur domestic tourism because after they visit the Zoo many of them would also like to see the wildlife in their free surroundings.

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## WCF wins stakeholders commendations for improving workers compensation benefits

By Guardian Reporter, Kibaha

TANZANIANS taking part in the 2nd industrial exhibition and business forum going on at Kibaha in Coast region have hailed the government for improving compensation benefits to workers in both, public and private sector.

Speaking after visiting the Workers Compensation Fund (WCF) pavilion yesterday, Coast Regional Commissioner, Eng Evarist Ndikilo said establishment of the fund is a blessing to workers especial those in the industrial sector.

"May I congratulate you and specifically the government for improving social security funds as we now have the best compensation benefits. This has largely contributed into increased workers morale as well as enhanced relations between employers and employees," said Eng Ndikilo.

The RC called upon more Tanzanians to visit the WCF pavilion to broaden their understanding of the fund and its activities. He said the knowledge will help reduce confusions when a worker is injured in the course of executing his

duties.

Another visitor, Dr Aden Mpangile said: "I have broadened my understanding of the fund and how it works. Previously, I thought the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF) was responsible for medical treatment of injured workers, but it is the WCF".

"I am told that compensation is paid to injured workers after completion of evaluation," he said.

The Fund's Senior Investment Officer, Michael Semiono said WCF is one of the key stakeholders of the industrial exhibition since it gears to reach most of its stakeholders including workers and employers.

Semiono noted that to support the government's industrialisation agenda, WCF is also taking part in various industrialisation projects in the regions of Dodoma, Morogoro, Tanga and Simiyu.

The senior official noted that WCF provides various types of compensation including medical treatment to injured workers, maintenance services and counseling to injured personnel with permanent disabilities. She said the fund

also pays a certain amount of money to a person who is taking care of an injured worker upon approval from doctors.

WCF was established to provide compensation to employees injured or incapacitated in the course of employment under the Workers' Compensation Act 2008. The Act applies to employees from both the private and government sector.

The act requires all the employers to make contributions to the fund whereby employers from the private sector contribute 1 percent and public sector employers contribute 0.5 percent of their annual tax bill for one year.

Last week, in her opening speech at the opening of the 2nd industrial exhibition and business forum, Vice President Samia Suluhu Hassan stressed on establishment of domestic industries that use readily available resources in production to increase jobs and boost the national economy.

She as well challenged industrialists to focus on manufacturing products that are needed in the domestic market.

The second annual exhibition in the region has attracted 329 exhibitors.



A vendor negotiates to remove his cart stuck in the mud after a downpour at Mabibo in the outskirts of Dar es Salaam yesterday. Photo: Correspondent Miraji Msala



## BANK OF BARODA (TANZANIA) LTD.

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### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2019

	(Amount in Million Tshs)	
	AS AT 30.09.2019	AS AT 30.06.2019
<b>A. ASSETS</b>		
1 Cash	3,723	5,016
2 Balances with Bank of Tanzania	23,443	14,819
3 Investment in Government Securities	29,169	27,741
4 Balances with Other Banks and financial Institution	24,985	23,218
5 Cheques and Items for Clearing	2	-
6 Interbranch Float Items	-	-
7 Bills Negotiated	-	-
8 Customers' Liabilities on Acceptances	-	-
9 Interbank Loan Receivables	-	-
10 Investments In other Securities	-	-
11 Loans, Advances and Overdrafts (Net of Allowances)	104,343	103,323
12 Other Assets	2,925	2,515
13 Equity Investments	-	-
14 Underwritings accounts	-	-
15 Property, Plant and Equipment	1,160	1,206
<b>16 TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>189,750</b>	<b>177,838</b>
<b>B. LIABILITIES</b>		
17 Deposits from Other Banks and Financial Institution	5,850	3,561
18 Customers Deposits	140,583	130,884
19 Cash Letters of Credit	-	-
20 Special Deposits	-	-
21 Payment orders/ Transfer payables	-	-
22 Bankers Cheques and Drafts Issued	397	137
23 Accrued Taxes and Expenses payable	35	44
24 Acceptances Outstanding	-	-
25 Interbranch Float items	-	-
26 Unearned income and other deferred charges	23	23
27 Other Liabilities	1,523	2,340
28 Borrowings	-	-
<b>29 TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>148,411</b>	<b>136,989</b>
<b>30 NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES) (15 MINUS 29)</b>	<b>41,339</b>	<b>40,849</b>
<b>C. SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS</b>		
31 Paid up Share Capital	10,000	10,000
32 Capital Reserves	-	998
33 Retained Earnings	25,571	24,718
34 Profit (Loss) Account	2,354	1,794
35 Other Capital account	3,414	3,339
36 Minority Interest	-	-
<b>33 TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS</b>	<b>41,339</b>	<b>40,849</b>
34 Contingent Liabilities	12,954	15,338
35 Non-Performing Loans and Advances	7,138	6,148
36 Allowances for Probable Losses	2,227	1,897
37 Other Non-Performing assets	-	-
<b>D FINANCIAL CONDITION INDICATORS</b>		
(i) Shareholders Funds to total assets (%)	21.79%	22.97%
(ii) Non Performing loans to Total gross Loans (%)	6.69%	5.84%
(iii) Gross Loans and Advances to Total Deposits (%)	72.92%	78.37%
(iv) Loans and Advances to Total Assets (%)	54.99%	58.10%
(v) Earning Assets to Total Assets	83.53%	86.75%
(vi) Deposits Growth	8.92%	-1.26%
(vii) Assets Growth	6.70%	0.17%

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019

	(Amount in million shillings)			
	CURRENT QUARTER 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2019	COMPARATIVE QUARTER 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018	CURRENT YEAR CUMULATIVE FROM 01.01.2019 TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2019	COMPARATIVE YEAR (Prev. Year) FROM 01.01.2018 TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018
1 Interest Income	3,749	3,441	10,798	10,320
2 Interest Expenses	1,267	1,097	3,550	3,458
<b>3 Net Interest Income (1 minus 2)</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>7,248</b>	<b>6,862</b>
4 Bad debts written off	330	1,186	1,110	1,259
5 Impairment Losses on Loans and Advances	86	86	412	412
<b>6 Non-Interest Income</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,363</b>
6.1 Foreign Currency Dealings and Translation Gains/Loss	149	87	476	295
6.2 Fees and Commissions	27	196	850	1,055
6.3 Dividend Income	-	-	-	-
6.4 Other Operating Income	4	5	8	13
<b>7 Non-Interest Expenses:</b>	<b>1,405</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>3,445</b>
7.1 Salaries and Benefits	600	395	1,771	1,157
7.2 Fees and Commissions	13	39	263	230
7.3 Other Operating Expenses	792	485	1,987	2,058
7.4 Other Provision	-	-	-	-
<b>8 Operating Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>926</b>	<b>439</b>	<b>3,452</b>	<b>3,109</b>
9 Income Tax Provision	366	363	1,098	1,088
<b>10 Net income (loss) after Income Tax</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>2,021</b>
11 Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
<b>12 Total Comprehensive Income/(loss) for the year</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>2,021</b>
13 Number of Employees	48	48	48	50
14 Basic Earnings Per Share	56	8	235	202
15 Number of Branches	4	4	4	4
<b>PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</b>				
(i) Return on Average Total Assets	1.28%	0.68%	2.69%	1.54%
(ii) Return on Average Shareholders' Funds	5.66%	3.08%	11.82%	6.93%
(iii) Non Interest Expenses to Gross Income	52.34%	34.94%	46.72%	41.88%
(iv) Net Interest Income to Average Earning Assets	6.44%	1.62%	9.54%	4.76%

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019

	(Amount in Million Tshs)			
	CURRENT QUARTER ENDED 30.09.2019	PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDED 30.06.2019	CURRENT YEAR CUMULATIVE 30.09.2019	COMPARATIVE YEAR CUMULATIVE 30.09.2018
<b>I Cash flow from operating activities</b>				
Net Income (Loss)	926	1,151	3,452	2,743
Adjustment for:				
-Impairment/ Amortization	376	617	1,254	445
-Prior Period Adjustment	(70)	-	(70)	(639)
-Net change in Loans and advances	(1,351)	(5,307)	(6,879)	(2,216)
-Gain/Loss on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-
-Net change in Deposits	9,700	(4,002)	8,425	(698)
-Net change in Short term negotiable securities	-	-	-	-
-Net Change in Other Liabilities	1,723	3,526	5,464	3,811
-Net change in Other Assets	(2,180)	(7,341)	(6,442)	(9,157)
-Tax paid	(366)	(366)	(1,098)	(725)
-Others (Increase/ decrease in SMR)	1,230	(911)	1,230	1,707
<b>Net cash provided (used) by operating activities</b>	<b>9,989</b>	<b>(12,634)</b>	<b>5,335</b>	<b>(4,730)</b>
<b>II Cash flow from Investment activities</b>				
Dividend Received	-	-	-	-
Purchase of fixed assets	-	(13)	(26)	(5)
Proceeds from Sale of Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-
Purchase of non-dealing securities	(1,428)	656	(5,801)	6,737
Proceeds from sale of non-dealing securities	-	-	-	-
Others(Specify)	-	-	-	-
<b>Net cash provided (used) by investing activities</b>	<b>(1,428)</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>(5,827)</b>	<b>6,732</b>
<b>III Cash flow from financing activities</b>				
Repayment of long-term debt	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from issuance of long term debt	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from issuance of share capital	-	-	-	-
Payment of cash dividends	-	-	-	-
Net change in other borrowings	-	-	-	-
Others (specify) Long term financing	-	-	-	-
<b>Net cash provided (used) by financing activities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>IV Cash and Cash Equivalents:</b>				
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalent	8,561	(11,991)	(492)	2,002
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the period	22,255	34,245	31,307	37,328
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the period</b>	<b>30,815</b>	<b>22,255</b>	<b>30,815</b>	<b>39,330</b>

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES OF EQUITY AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019

	(Amount in Tshs in million)						
	Share Capital	Share Premium	Retained Earnings	Regulatory Reserve	General Provision reserve	Others	Total
<b>CURRENT YEAR</b>							
Balance as at the beginning of the year	10,000	-	24,134	3,984	937	-	39,055
Profit for the year	-	-	2,354	-	-	-	2,354
Other comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transaction with Owners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend Paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regulatory Reserve	-	-	570	(570)	-	-	-
General Provision Reserve	-	-	937	-	(937)	-	-
Others(Prior period adjustments)	-	-	(70)	-	-	-	(70)
<b>Balance as at the end of the current Period</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,925</b>	<b>3,414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,339</b>
<b>PREVIOUS YEAR</b>							
Balance as at the beginning of the year	10,000	-	22,271	4,068	781	-	37,120
Profit for the year	-	-	2,147	-	-	-	2,147
Other comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transaction with Owners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend Paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regulatory Reserve	-	-	84	(84)	-	-	-
General Provision Reserve	-	-	(156)	-	156	-	-
Others	-	-	(212)	-	-	-	(212)
<b>Balance as at the end of the Previous Period</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,134</b>	<b>3,984</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,055</b>

#### SELECTED EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019

In preparation of Quarterly Financial statements, consistent Accounting Policies have been used as those applicable to the previous year audited financial statements. (Any changes during the period shall be explained as per the IAS 34 & IAS 8)

Name and Title	Signature	Date
Rajendra Sadashiv Mohir (Managing Director)		18th October, 2019
Deogratias Edward Ndushi (Head of Finance)		18th October, 2019
Mwita Mohamed Mwita (Internal Auditor)		18th October, 2019
Dr. Proches Meshili Kiwangi Ngatuni		18th October, 2019
Dr. Imanueli Daniel Mnzava		18th October, 2019

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the faithful representation of the above statements. We declare that the Statements have been examined by us and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, have been prepared in conformance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Banking and Financial Institutions act, 2006 and they present a true and fair view.

## Modern technology to control motorcycles, vehicles theft unveiled

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

PERSISTENT thefts of motorcycles and other vehicles could now be past history in Arusha region and the country in general following the launching of new technology to control thefts.

The approach that will employ Internet Communication Technology (ICT) has been unveiled by Benson and Company here in partnership with a Dar es Salaam firm - based AfriTrack.

Benson and Co. Chief Operations Officer Miqdaad Kassam said at the launching ceremony here that by using the new technology, when a motorcycle is stolen it can now be recovered as it will be tracked all the time.

"It's a simple technology designed to control motorcycle theft that has become a very big problem. When you fix this 'anti-theft' device to your motorcycle you don't have to worry at all, it will be recovered," stressed Kassam at the launching ceremony.

Elaborating, Benson's Chief Customer Service Officer Salma Rothbletz said the device affixed to the motorcycle is connected to the owner's mobile phone where he obtains all data on the machine's whereabouts.

She added that the technique also control's cheating by drivers in fuel usage and the distance travelled per day, the system that will enable motorcycle owners to be certain of their incomes.

On his part AfriTrack Managing Director Suhail Sheriff said at the function that this control network is also used for big trucks and passenger buses and in addition will assist in reducing road accidents.

He said the system also controls the driver's fitness to drive and in case of any flaw it emits warning signals to the driver himself and the owner thereof.

"If the vehicle has mechanical flaws or the driver's fitness to drive due to his health is dubious, the system will detect it and emit warning signals that helps to avert catastrophes," said Sheriff.

In the event the vehicles are in areas not covered by communication networks, such as inside deep forests or far out in the sea Sheriff said they use satellite communication to track the vehicles.

He said this system is already in use in Ivory Coast, Malawi, Zambia and has now found its way in Tanzania - Dar es Salaam, Arusha, Mwanza and Mbeya regions.

The representative from Kiure Engineering Company, Omar Kiure said at the launching ceremony the system designed to control road vehicles and people driving them is a huge step against theft of fuel that instill huge losses to transport companies.

On his part, Atilio Choga, from Arusha Traffic police dealing with giving education to drivers on road safety said the system will assist the police in reigning road accidents.

He said currently road accidents in Arusha Region have declined substantially, and added that the coming of this new technology will assist them in minimizing road accidents even further.



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TIB development bank research and planning manager, Samwel Mark (R) receiving a trophy in recognition of the bank's sponsorship of Pwani industrial exhibition week from former Prime Minister, Mizengo Pinda. Looking on is Pwani Regional Commissioner, Eng. Evarist Ndikilo (L) and chairman of the Chama cha Mapinduzi Coast region, Ramadhan Maneno. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

# RC praises TIB for shaping the industrial pace of Coast Region

By Guardian Correspondent, Kibaha

COAST Regional Commissioner, Eng Evarist Ndikilo has acclaimed the investment made by TIB Development Bank for shaping the Industrial pace of Coast Region by lending to the region's productive and development projects.

Eng Ndikilo said this when he paid a visit to witness the bank-enabled projects during the industrial week-long trade show held in the region.

He said that the bank has played a major role in supporting the government's efforts to encourage investment activities in the industrialisation growth in the country.

"We have witnessed the investment done by the bank, which has brought benefits to our region as well as spurring our development activities especially in providing jobs in the region," he said.

The RC added that the presence of the TIB Development Bank in the Coast region has contributed significantly to the practical implementation of the Government's goal of shaping Tanzania's industrial sector.

He added that the TIB Development Bank has become an integral part of the industrialization of the economy as a catalyst to attract private sector investment.

He cited the success of the bank's investments, including the development of the Poultry breeding company named Mkuza and Global Packaging Company located in the region.

"We are very grateful to TIB for capacitating the private sector that we certainly witness as they do well in our region," he added.

Themed: "Build Tanzania, Invest in Pwani the Best Destination for Investment", the RC said TIB Development Bank is positioned to implement the government's vision of implementing industrialisation pace in the country acknowledging TIB's role as the policy bank, which plays a major role in financing strategic projects in developing industries in the country.

Meanwhile, bank's loans beneficiaries in the region have agreed that the loans provided by TIB Development Bank have enabled productivity of the companies that has contributed to increasing investment and employment of Tanzanians.

One of the directors of Mkuza Chicks Company, Doreen Maximambali said that the loan provided by the bank has enabled the transformation of the production system from manual production to automated production that has contributed to massive production of the company.

"The TIB loan has enabled us to improve our performance by increasing production using self-driving machines that contribute to meet the needs of the domestic and international markets," he said.

For his part, Adoh Mapunda who is a consultant for Global Packaging Company specialising in producing woven bags used in packaging industry with a wide variety of usage said TIB's loan has helped to boost the production of quality products that have attracted customers from both inside and outside the country, which attributes income generation and taxes to the government.

"We are very grateful to receive the TIB loan which has certainly helped us to increase the production of quality products that have attracted many clients thus increasing their income and taxes to the government," he added.

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# Dar RC encourages leaders, firms to raise funds needed to conduct cardiac surgeries to 500 children

By Guardian Reporter

DAR ES SALAAM Regional Commissioner Paul Makonda has formed a 14-member committee that will work to raise funds required to conduct cardiac surgeries to 500 children with heart defects admitted at the Jakaya Kivete Cardiac Institute (JKCI) at Muhimbili National Hospital.

Speaking to journalists at his office in Dar es Salaam on Tuesday, the Regional Commissioner said the committee will be led by former CRDB bank director, Charles Kimele.

Other members include, Philip Alfred, Godluck Nkini, Frank Mmbando, Tully Mwampamba, Dickson Mpemba, Frank Mugeta, Erick Dambu, Subash Patel, Azam Dewji, Erick Shigongo, Donald Simagunga Angelina Ngarura and Dominic Dhana who is Managing Director of Puma Energy Tanzania.

"We are collecting monies that will be used to facilitate cardiac surgeries to 500 children admitted at JKCI since their parents have failed to raise the required

amount. This is the first step towards restoring their lost smile," said Makonda.

He was optimistic that leaders and owners of various companies and institutions will contribute to the campaign. He said individuals are also encouraged to contribute to the campaign which is geared to helping children with heart defects.

RC Makonda explained that the cost of surgery per each of the children is 2m/-.

Early this month, Puma Energy Tanzania donated 40m/- to support cardiac surgery to 20 children at the JKCI.

The company's Managing Director, Dominic Dhana said; "we are donating the funds in support to Dar es Salaam Regional Commissioner's efforts to save the lives of children with cardiac complications."

Speaking at the event, Makonda said: "We have so far supported a number of children, but we still need another 1bn/- for the remained children. My wish is to save the lives of all the children's in need by December this year".

## BANK OF BARODA (TANZANIA) LIMITED

### BANKING WITH PASSION

**DISCLOSURE UNDER REGULATION 12 OF BANKING & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (DISCLOSURES) REGULATIONS 2014**  
**CUSTOMER COMPLAINT REDRESSAL MECHANISM**

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**2. HOW TO LODGE A COMPLAINT WITH OUR BANK/JENSI YA KUWASILISHA MALALAMIKO KWA DAWATI**  
When you are dissatisfied with our services or you have any complaint pertaining to our staff or bank or otherwise, you may lodge complaint to us in writing by post or fax or through your registered email address on the following contact addresses.

<b>The Chief Manager</b> Dar es Salaam Branch Post Box 5356 Dar es Salaam Phone : +255 (22) 2144461; Fax: +255 (22) 2144456 E Mail : bobdar@bankofbaroda.com	<b>The Sr. Branch Manager</b> Arusha Branch Plot No. 12 Block E, Ombodoni Road Post Box 255 Dar es Salaam Phone : +255 (27) 2544986; Fax: +255 (27) 2544955 E Mail : bobaru@bankofbaroda.com
<b>The Branch Manager</b> Kariakoo Branch Crossing of Msimbazi and Makia Street Plot No. 08 Block 13, Post Box 5610 Dar es Salaam, Tanzania Phone : +255 (22) 2185271-255 (22) 2125390 Fax: +255 (22) 2185403 E Mail : bobkar@bankofbaroda.com	<b>The Branch Manager</b> Mwanza Branch Post Box 1914 Mwanza Kenyatta Road Phone : +255 (28) 2501421; +255 (28) 2501423 Fax: +255 (28) 2501422 E Mail : bobmwa@bankofbaroda.com

**The Nodal Officer, Grievance Redressal Cell, Bank of Baroda (Tanzania) Ltd**  
Post Box 5356 Dar es Salaam, Phone : +255 (22) 2144454; Fax: +255 (22) 2144457; E Mail : risk.tanzania@bankofbaroda.com

**NOTE:**  
For lodging complaint with BOT please use Complaint Form No. 1  
For detailed information for lodging complaint with BOT please visit BOT website <http://www.bot.tz>

**3. INTERNAL COMPLAINT RESOLUTION MECHANISM (MCHAKATO WA KUTAFUTA UFUMBUZI WA MALALAMIKO)**  
We through our internal complaint handling mechanism shall resolve your complaints within 21 working days from the date of lodging the complaint. The internal Complaint handling mechanism in our Bank is as under:  
Receiving and timely processing consumers' complaints.  
Keeping complaints updated throughout the process.  
Keeping a record of all complaints and submit it to the Bank of Tanzania on quarterly basis.  
Resolving all consumer complaints within 21 working days from the date of lodging the complaint.

**4. HOW TO LODGE A COMPLAINT WITH THE DESK AT BANK OF TANZANIA (BOT) (NAAMA YA KUWASILISHA MALALAMIKO KWA DAWATI LA BOT)**  
If you are dissatisfied with the decision of our Bank in respect of your complaint or do not receive a response from our Bank within 21 working days from the date of lodging your complaint, you may within 14 working days lodge your complaint with the Desk of BOT. However, before lodging your complaint with the Desk of BOT, you are required to exhaust the internal Complaints resolution mechanism of our Bank first.

The complaint with Complaints Resolution Desk of Bank of Tanzania shall be lodged in the prescribed form (Schedule A), duly signed by the complainant and shall be submitted in any of the following ways:  
a) By hand or by post to: Complaints Resolution Desk, Office of the Secretary to the Bank of Tanzania, 11 Bldg., Dar es Salaam.  
b) By electronic mail: [complaintsdesk@bot.tz](mailto:complaintsdesk@bot.tz)  
c) By facsimile to fax no: +255 22 2232467 / +255 22 2233246.  
d) By phone: +255 22 2232467 / +255 22 2233246.

**NOTE:**  
a) Complaints shall be lodged with the Desk from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM (Monday to Friday).  
b) Your complaint must be lodged before expiry of two years after the cause of action arose.

**5. PRECEDENTIAL JURISDICTION OF THE BOT DESK (MAMLAKA ZA KIFEDHA ZA DAWATI)**  
The desk shall handle complaints whose total monetary value in respect of both the claim amount and remedy to be awarded does not exceed fifteen million Tanzania Shillings (TZS 15,000,000/-).

**6. ELIGIBLE COMPLAINTS (MALALAMIKO YA HAKI)**  
Only the following categories of complaints are eligible for submission to the Desk:  
a) A complaint against a banking institution which is either a member of the Tanzania Bankers Association or regulated by the Bank.  
b) A complaint which is lodged within 14 days after a banking institution has delivered its decision or failed to respond.  
c) A complaint in respect of an incident which occurred less than two (2) years ago.

**7. INELIGIBLE COMPLAINTS (MALALAMIKO YASIO YA HAKI)**  
In terms of the Guidelines issued, the Desk considers the following complaints as ineligible:  
a) A complaint which has been the subject of legal proceedings before a Court or Tribunal.

b) Where the complainant has not suffered any financial loss, material inconvenience or distress.  
c) A complaint which would be more suitably dealt with by a Court or under other dispute resolution arrangements.  
d) A complaint which is frivolous or vexatious or not in good faith.  
e) A complaint whose resolution would prejudice the rights of other parties who have not consented to the resolution by the Desk.  
f) A complaint which is unrealistic or frivolous or not in good faith.  
g) A complaint which was not first reported to the banking institution concerned.  
h) A complaint which is lodged more than 14 days after a banking institution has delivered its decision or failed to resolve the complaint.  
i) A complaint which is beyond the precatory jurisdiction of the Desk.

**8. INFORMATION YOU MUST INCLUDE IN THE COMPLAINT (TAARIFA MUHMUZA ZA KUJAMULISHA KWENYE MALAMIKO)**  
a) Your name and address.  
b) The name and address of the banking institution against which the complaint is made.  
c) Details of what your complaint is about including exactly what the bank did that it shouldn't have done or what it didn't do that it should have done.  
d) What you have lost in terms of personal injuries, financial loss, hardship or inconvenience.  
e) What you would like the Desk to do to put things right and details of what you have done so far to try to resolve the complaint.  
f) Include documentary evidence, if any.

**9. WITHDRAWAL OF THE COMPLAINT (KUFUTA MALAMIKO)**  
A complainant may, at any time before the Desk's determination, withdraw his complaint in writing from the Desk, and the matter shall be closed by the Desk.

**10. FREE SERVICE (HUJUMAA ZA BURE)**  
Resolution of banking consumers' complaints is free of charge as the Desk does not charge any fee whatsoever.

**11. MEDIUM OF COMMUNICATION (NJIA YA MAWASILIANO)**  
The medium of communication is both English and Kiswahili.

**12. REMEDIES AWARDED (SULUHISHO LILOPAITAKANA)**  
The function performed by the Desk is different from that performed by courts. The Desk is enjoined not to have regard to technicality and legal form but resolves complaints using criteria that would not usually be used by courts; for instance whether an explanation for the conduct was not given when it should have been given. A banking institution may be required to issue an apology, change its practices, accept payment or compensation as the case may be. The Desk is not bound by the legal principles of handling complaints such as rules of evidence but adheres to the general principles of justice.

**When Aggrieved by Desk decision**  
Either party may request the Desk to reconsider any of its decision. Each party states his right to seek redress before a competent court when it is not satisfied with the decision given by the Desk.

**DISCLOSURE UNDER REGULATION 11 OF BANKING & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (DISCLOSURES) REGULATIONS 2014**  
**MINIMUM DISCLOSURE OF CHARGES/FEE/PRODUCTS AND SERVICES**

DESCRIPTION	Revised Charges	
	IN TZS	IN USD
Remittances (Outward)	TSHS	USD/GBP/EUR
Outward Remittances (Rapid Fund to India)	BOB to BOB	BOB to Other Bank
Upto USD 5000	12.00	18
USD 5001 to 10000	24.00	30.00
Above USD 10000	0.24% maximum USD 180	@ 0.30% maximum USD 200
<b>REVISED CHARGES (TANZANIA)</b>		
	INDIVIDUAL	CORPORATE
Remittances (Outward) TT	Upto USD or equivalent upto USD5000 - USD 20.00 USD10000 - USD 33.00 Above USD 10000 USD 65 Flat + USD 35 Swift Charges.	Upto USD or equivalent 10000 USD 30.00 50000 USD 33.00 >50000.65 USD + USD 35 Swift Charges.
Remittances (Inward) TT for Acct. Holders only	From Tanzania No Charges	No Charges
	From Outside Tanzania	
Current Acct. / Overdraft	N.A.	0.30% Min 12 and Max. USD 70
Saving Bank Acct.	N.A.	Flat USD 18
FBC-C	Current Acct. / Overdraft	N.A
	Saving Bank Acct.	N.A
FBC-P	Current Acct. / Overdraft	N.A
	Saving Bank Acct.	N.A.
TSS (Only for Acct. Holders)	18000	Equivalent to TZS.10000+VAT
Minimum Balance Charges	18000 p.m.	18.00
Issued of Bankers Cheque Bankers payment	30000	24.00
Cancellation of Bankers Cheques	20000	15.00
Stop payment of Current/OD Account	30000	24.00
Inward Cheque charges in clearing per instrument	18000 p.m.	15.00 p.m.
Outgoing EFT charges	100	Equivalent to Tsh.100
Balance confirmation	Current/OD Acct 18000 Saving Acct 12000	18.00 12.00
Reference Identity Letter	25000	25.00
Current/OD Acct	12000	12.00
Cost of cheque per leaf	Current/OD Acct 830 Saving Acct	0.55
Ledger Folio Charges	6000 per folio Min 6000	USD 4 per folio Min USD 4 p.m.
Ledger Charges for Savings Bank ac	9000 H/Yearly	9.00 H/Yearly
For purpose of Current Account/overdraft 30 entries will constitute one ledger folio.		
Minimum Balance Charges	18000 p.m.	15.00 p.m.
Charges for not maintaining minimum balance in Current account	7500 p.m.	7.50 p.m.
Charges for not maintaining minimum balance in Savings Bank account.	18000 H/Yearly	18.00 H/Yearly
Acct. maintenance charges for Saving and Current account	9000 H/Yearly	9.00 H/Yearly

DESCRIPTION	Once in a month no Charge (Regular)	Once in a month no Charge (Regular)
Interim Acct. statement	6000	6.50
Account Closure	25,000	25,000
Current Account	40,000	40,000
Account Closing Notice	18,000	18,000
Current Acct / Saving Acct	3000.00 H. Yearly	2.50 H. Yearly
Overdraft	6000.00 H. Yearly	5.00 H. Yearly
Overdraft	0.6% of value Min Commission USD 18 + Postage USD 90	0.6% of value Min Commission USD 18 + Postage USD 90
Cash Deposit Charges	Current Acct. Upto 25 Mtn free, 60,000 upto 100 Mtn, 180,000 upto 150 Mtn, 240,000 upto 200 Mtn, 280,000 upto 250 Mtn above 250 Mtn 600000.	0.30% above USD 2500 no charges upto 5000 @ 0.30% and above 5000 @ 0.60%.
Cash withdrawal Charges	Current Acct. Upto 25,000 Min no charges above 25,000 Min 812% of withdrawal.	0.60% upto 10000 and 1.18% above 10000 USD Upto USD 2000 no charges upto 5000 @ 0.30% and above 5000 @ 0.60%.
SAVINGS	Current Acct. Upto 25,000 Min no charges above 25,000 Min 812% of withdrawal.	0.60% upto 10000 and 1.18% above 10000 USD Upto USD 2000 no charges upto 5000 @ 0.30% and above 5000 @ 0.60%.
ADVANCES	UFTO 10 Mtn UFTO USD 10000	0.30% (Minimum 60) 0.30% Min 30
UFTO 20 Mtn UFTO USD 20000	0.18% (Minimum 1.18)	0.18% Min 600
UFTO 30 Mtn UFTO USD 30000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 40 Mtn UFTO USD 40000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 50 Mtn UFTO USD 50000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 60 Mtn UFTO USD 60000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 70 Mtn UFTO USD 70000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 80 Mtn UFTO USD 80000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 90 Mtn UFTO USD 90000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 100 Mtn UFTO USD 100000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 110 Mtn UFTO USD 110000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 120 Mtn UFTO USD 120000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 130 Mtn UFTO USD 130000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
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UFTO 670 Mtn UFTO USD 670000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 680 Mtn UFTO USD 680000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 690 Mtn UFTO USD 690000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 700 Mtn UFTO USD 700000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 710 Mtn UFTO USD 710000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 720 Mtn UFTO USD 720000	1.50% (Minimum 5.30)	1.50 (Minimum 5300)
UFTO 730 Mtn UFTO USD 730000	1.50% (Minimum	



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## Celebrating the achievements of the United Nations Organisation

THE United Nations (UN) is an intergovernmental organisation responsible for maintaining international peace and security, developing friendly relations among nations, achieving international cooperation, and being a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations. It is the largest, most familiar, most internationally represented and most powerful intergovernmental organization in the world. The UN is headquartered on international territory in New York City; other main offices are in Geneva, Nairobi, Vienna and The Hague.

United Nations Day is devoted to making known to people of the world the aims and achievements of the United Nations Organisation. United Nations Day is part of United Nations Week, which runs from 20 to 26 October.

In 1948, the United Nations General Assembly declared 24 October, the anniversary of the Charter of the United Nations, as which "shall be devoted to making known to the people of the world the aims and achievements of the United Nations and to gaining their support for" its work.

In 1971, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a further resolution declaring that United Nations Day shall be an international observance or international holiday and recommended that it should be observed as a public holiday by United Nations member states.

The first event called "United Nations Day" was a World War II Allies' day of solidarity and military parades launched by US President Franklin D. Roosevelt tied to US Flag Day on June 14, 1942, six months after the Declaration by United Nations. It was observed in New York City as the "New York at War" parade, in London, and by the Soviet and Chinese governments.

It was observed throughout World War II, during 1942-1944. Prior to the

foundation of the UN itself, it was not directly connected to the current international observance.

UN Day has traditionally been marked throughout the world with meetings, discussions and exhibits about the achievements and goals of the organization. In 1971, the General Assembly recommended that member states observe it as a public holiday.

Several international schools throughout the world also celebrate the diversity of their student body on United Nations Day (although the event is not necessarily celebrated on 24 October). Celebrations often include a show of cultural performances in the evening and a food fair, where food is available from all over the world.

In the United States, the President has issued a proclamation each year for United Nations Day since 1948.

In Kosovo, United Nations Day is an official non-working day, as the province is administered by the Interim Administration Mission.

In the Philippines, local schoolchildren customarily dress in the national costumes of member states and hold a programme on U.N. Day, which is the last school day before semestral break. Individual students, classes, or grade levels are assigned a country to represent and study; students handcraft their assigned country's flag, and prepare cultural presentations and food as part of the day's educational activities.

The UN's World Development Information Day has also been held on 24 October since 1972. Humanity has entered the era of sustainability - with a global commitment to fulfill the great promise of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. It is celebrated on 24 October worldwide. Many institutions celebrate it by conducting quizzes and elocutions. Da Potta Group of Companies in Kenya, Tanzania and India celebrate it with various discussions.

## World Development Information Day: Aims to inform, motivate young people

INFORMATION can be thought of as the resolution of uncertainty; it is that which answers the question of "what an entity is" and thus defines both its essence and nature of its characteristics. It is associated with data, as data represents values attributed to parameters, and information is data in context and with meaning attached. Information relates also to knowledge, as knowledge signifies understanding of an abstract or concrete concept.

In terms of communication, information is expressed either as the content of a message or through direct or indirect observation. That which is perceived can be construed as a message in its own right, and in that sense, information is always conveyed as the content of a message.

Information can be encoded into various forms for transmission and interpretation (for example, information may be encoded into a sequence of signs, or transmitted via a signal). It can also be encrypted for safe storage and communication.

The uncertainty of an event is measured by its probability of occurrence and is inversely proportional to that. The more uncertain an event, the more information is required to resolve uncertainty of that event.

The concept of information has different meanings in different contexts. Thus the concept becomes related to notions of constraint, communication, control, data, form, education, knowledge, meaning, understanding, mental stimuli, pattern, perception, representation, and entropy.

In 1972, the United Nations General Assembly decided to institute a World Development Information Day coinciding with United Nations Day on October 24. The General

Assembly had the object of drawing the attention of world public-opinion each year to development problems and the necessity of strengthening international co-operation to solve them.

The day was further recognized as the date on which the International Development Strategy for the Second Nations Development Decade was adopted in 1970.

On May 17, 1972, the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) proposed measures for information dissemination and for the mobilization of public opinion relative to trade and development problems. These became known as resolution 3038 which the UN General Assembly passed on December 19, 1972. This resolution called for introducing World Development Information Day to help draw the attention of people worldwide to development problems. A further aim of the event is to explain to the general public why it is necessary to strengthen international cooperation to find ways to solve these problems. The assembly also decided that the day should coincide with United Nations Day to stress the central role of development in the UN's work. World Development Information Day was first held on October 24, 1973, and has been held on this date each year since then.

In recent years many events have interpreted the title of the day slightly differently. These have concentrated on the role that modern information-technologies, such as the Internet and mobile telephones free from digital divide can play in alerting people and finding solutions to problems of trade and development. One of the specific aims of World Development Information Day was to inform and motivate young people and this change may help to further this aim.

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## UN summit on financing for development: SDGs ambition versus financing reality

By Jesse Griffiths

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The UN was established after World War II with the aim of preventing future wars, succeeding the ineffective League of Nations. On 25 April 1945, 50 governments met in San Francisco for a conference and started drafting the UN Charter, which was adopted on 25 June 1945 and took effect on 24 October 1945, when the UN began operations. Pursuant to the Charter, the organization's objectives include maintaining international peace and security, protecting human rights, delivering humanitarian aid, promoting sustainable development, and upholding international law.[5] At its founding, the UN had 51 member states; there are now 193, representing the vast majority of the world's sovereign states.

The organization's mission to preserve world peace was complicated in its early decades by the Cold War between the United States and Soviet Union and their respective allies. Its missions have consisted primarily of unarmed military observers and lightly armed troops with primarily monitoring, reporting and confidence-building roles. UN membership grew significantly following widespread decolonization beginning in the 1960s. Since then, 80 former colonies have gained independence, including 11 trust territories that had been monitored by the Trusteeship Council. By the 1970s, the UN's budget for economic and social development programmes far outstripped its spending on peacekeeping. After the end of the Cold War, the UN shifted and expanded its field operations, undertaking a wide variety of complex tasks.

The UN has six principal organs: the General Assembly; the Security Council; the Economic and Social Council; the Trusteeship Council; the International Court of Justice; and the UN Secretariat. The UN System includes a multitude of specialized



agencies, such as the World Bank Group, the World Health Organization, the World Food Programme, UNESCO, and UNICEF. Additionally, non-governmental organizations may be granted consultative status with ECOSOC and other agencies to participate in the UN's work. The UN's chief administrative officer is the Secretary-General, currently Portuguese politician and diplomat António Guterres since 1 January 2017. The organization is financed by assessed and voluntary contributions from its member states.

The UN, its officers, and its agencies have won many Nobel Peace Prizes, though other evaluations of its effectiveness have been mixed. Some commentators believe the organization to be an important force for peace and human development, while others have called it ineffective, biased, or corrupt.

Last week I attended the United Nations High Level Dialogue on Financing for Development, where world leaders took stock of progress since they agreed the Sustainable Development Goals and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda (AAAA) on Financing for Development (FfD) four years ago.

There is no escaping the scale of the challenge. ODI's own research, launched at the Dialogue, suggests that 430 million people will still be living in extreme poverty by 2030 - the date at which the SDGs promise extreme poverty will be ended. Soberingly, this is 30 million more than we forecast last year, driven by worsening prospects for the very poorest countries.

The UN's own report on SDG progress, released in July, says that, despite headway on some SDGs, 'monumental challenges' remain. Hunger, for example, is going in the

wrong direction, with 821 million people undernourished in 2017, up from 784 million in 2015.

The FfD agenda is complicated, but can be boiled down to three big questions.

### Mobilising public finance

First, can we mobilise enough public finance, spend it well and direct it to SDG investments that individuals and the private sector can't or won't pay for? ODI's report Financing the end of extreme poverty finds that most countries could afford the public investments needed to provide universal healthcare, education and social protection if they allocated enough of their budgets to these goals - and raised more in tax (though this may not be an easy ask, which I'll come to later).

Forty six countries can't afford these investments on their own, but if donors met the UN commitment to give 0.7% of their income as aid, this could provide the missing money, if well targeted. There are growing calls for the UN to take public financing gaps more seriously, particularly as, according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), more than two out of five low-income countries are at high risk of debt crises, and may therefore find their spending plans seriously undermined.

Shifting private investment patterns Second, can we shift private investment and consumption patterns so that developing countries grow sustainably and inclusively and the global economy moves rapidly to become zero carbon and protect the natural world on which we all depend?

Here the FfD debate has been side-tracked by a focus among many international institutions and rich countries on the smaller sub-issue of how to use public support or subsidies to leverage more private finance

(often, as shown by the statements at the Dialogue by the EU and the US, tying this to their own companies and initiatives).

ODI research finds that on average every dollar of investment through the development finance institutions that are the focus of this agenda leverages only 75 cents of private investment, falling to 37 cents in low-income countries. Clearly, this is not the magic bullet it is sometimes presented as.

### Sharing economic gains

Third, can we alter global, regional and national economic structures to share the distribution of the enormous economic gains humanity has made more fairly so that everyone has enough to live well, and those at the top take a smaller slice of the pie?

This issue was emphasised by the G77 group of developing countries in their statement to the Dialogue, which pointed to areas where the international system does not work well, including illicit financial flows and tax evasion.

Just before the Dialogue, the IMF and Copenhagen University warned that 40% of global foreign direct investment - some \$15 trillion - is 'phantom', meaning it passes through corporate shell companies often set up to minimise the tax bills of multinationals.

This is part of a broader problem inherent in an international system that does not provide developing countries with enough of the kind of long-term capital investments they need. For example, UNCTAD's new Trade and development report highlights that international private capital proves consistently volatile, and was in fact a net outflow for developing countries in 2018, as the chart shows.

As is normal at these gatherings, a large number of side initiatives were launched or highlighted at the Dialogue, but, while many are welcome, they cannot replace coordinated action by UN member states together. However, there were no agreed concrete outcomes from the Dialogue itself, and governments have yet to use the annual FfD forums as a mechanism for changing course now it is clear we are way off track to finance the SDGs.

To get world leaders to take this critical issue more seriously, there are calls for a new leaders summit on FfD in 2022 (20 years after the first). Without a renewed push like this to put the issue of financing the SDGs back at the top of the global agenda, and tackle the difficult questions highlighted here, it looks increasingly likely that the world will fail to meet the SDGs, and by an increasingly wide margin.



## China's economic performance stable in first three quarters

By Lu Yanan

"SOME foreign media's skepticism about China's recent economic growth figures and their assertion of 'a sharp slowdown' in the Chinese economy were indefensible and groundless," Yuan Da, spokesperson for the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) said at a press conference on Monday.

China recently released a set of economic figures in the first three quarters of the year, which aroused heated discussions at home and abroad. Some saw the 6-percent year-on-year growth in the third quarter and started to worry about the growth rate of the economy.

China's GDP expanded 6.2 percent year on year during the first three quarters, which was among the fastest in major economies, Yuan noted.

During the seven-day National Day holiday, China's railways, roads, waterways and civil aviation network saw more than 500 million passenger trips. In particular, 370 million cars passed through toll roads across the country.

In the first three quarters of the year, electricity consumption of the country rose by 4.4 percent year on year, with electricity consumption in service industry and residential power consumption increasing by 8.7 and 6.3 percent respectively, the spokesperson said, adding that freight volume went up 5.9 percent year on year during the period.

"These indicators were the most direct reflections of economic growth, which prove that the national economy maintained overall stability," Yuan noted.

Since the beginning of the year, China has maintained overall stability in economy and improved its economic structure and the well-being of its people amid rising internal and external risks and challenges, the spokesperson said, adding that Chinese economy has maintained stability while making progress, which was not an easy task.

Although the economic growth rate in the third quarter has slowed slightly, the quality of economic development in China is seeing continuous improvement.

In the first nine months, the country accomplished 99.7 percent of its annual objective for creating new urban jobs. Last month, the country's surveyed urban unemployment rate stood at 5.2 percent.

Transformation and upgrading of industries have accelerated in China during the first three quarters of this year, with the added-value of strategic emerging industries and high-tech manufacturing increasing by 8.4 and 8.7 percent respectively, significantly faster than the growth rate of overall industrial enterprises above designated size.

Meanwhile, China's energy consumption per unit of GDP dropped by 2.7 percent year on year, and the country maintained a generally stable ecological environment.

As China's economy transitions from a phase of rapid growth to a stage of high-quality development, it is acceptable whether

## Helmets: Stakeholders show what needs to change in the law

By Correspondent James Kandoya

WEARING helmet does not prevent car crash or accident taking place instead it minimizes impact or force in case of collision to head causing serious head, brain injuries and deaths.

According to Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018, correct helmet use can lead to a 42 percent reduction in the risk of fatal injuries and a 69 percent reduction in the risk of head injuries.

The report further states that the use of helmets is, as such, an increasingly important means of preventing road traffic deaths.

However, the current Tanzania Road Traffic Act of 1973 is silent about the standard use of helmet.

It neither imposes an obligation to the rider and passenger to wear helmet nor describe the correct way of wearing it.

The section 39 (I) recognizes the need for helmet only for the riders and is silent for passengers.

Furthermore, it does not prescribe the standards of helmet either in the main Act or the regulations. It is also silent on the use of age appropriate helmets for young children riding on motorcycles

The Transport Licensing Act 1973 (TLA) on the other hand places duty for helmet use for both the rider and passenger.

That's why road safety stakeholders advocate for policy makers and law enforcers to work for mandatory provision for both the driver/rider and passengers to correctly wear helmets which are in conformity with international and national standards.

In 2013, the Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) released the national standard to govern the manufacturing, importation and general usage of motorcycle helmets known as 'TSZ 1478:2013 - Protective helmets for motorcycle riders-Specification

The specification aims to prohibit all dealers, importers and manufacturers from importing or manufacturing sub-standard helmets.

It is important to prevent the impacts of motorcycle crashes by supporting and passing Road Traffic Act amendments that include provisions requiring both motorcycle drivers and passengers to wear quality standard helmets to save lives.

The Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018 further indicates that motorized two- and three-wheelers users represent 28 percent of all deaths reported in the world while pedestrians and cyclists represent 26 percent.

"Enacting and enforcing legislation on failing to use motorcycle helmets and other key risk behavior factors including speed, drink-driving and non-use of seatbelts, child restraints are critical components to prevent road traffic



deaths," recommends the report.

In his view, the Helmet Vaccine Initiative Tanzania (HVI-T), Chief Executive Officer Alpherio Nchimbi says that the Road Traffic Act, Chapter 168, R.F.2002, the principal legislation for administering safety in road transport has many loopholes and gaps which affect the intended aim of reducing the rate of road crashes.

He went on to say that basically this means that the traffic law only requires the drivers/riders to wear helmets, while passengers (according to this provision are not mandatorily required to wear helmets).

Section 39(II) of the Road traffic Act provides for the requirement of wearing helmets by motorcycle riders/drivers.

It states that "no person shall drive a two wheeled or three wheeled motorcycle unless he is wearing a helmet; but the minister may exempt any person from the requirement to wear helmet while so driving."

Furthermore, it prohibits any person younger than the age of 16 to ride a motor vehicle, which basically means that children (those under 16) are not covered by helmet laws because they are actually not allowed to ride as passengers.

He said that international best practices stress both legislation for helmets wearing as well as standards and use of quality helmets.

"We need to have a mandatory law for both the driver and passengers to correctly wear helmets which are in conformity with international and national standards," he says.

The Global Status Report on Road Safety report launched

by the World Health Organization (WHO) last year indicated that best practice for motorcycle helmet laws includes a requirement for both motorcyclists and passengers to wear a helmet on all roads, a specification that helmets should be fastened, and a reference to a helmet standard.

The report says that since 2014, five countries have made amendments to existing legislation to align them with best practice, providing coverage to an additional 397 million people.

The Head of Emergency Department (EMD) at Muhimbili National Hospital (MNH), Dr Juma Mfinanga insists that "unless the government amends the section 39 (II) dealing with helmet use so as to be in conformity with international and national standards, the number of victims associated with head injuries will increase."

Equally important, Dr Mfinanga says helmet use plays a big role to reduce risks of head injuries and death.

The expert says motorbike crashes from whatever cause were levying a cruel tax to individuals, families and communities while causing a drain to the health budget.

When a family member becomes mentally ill after a road crash, it results into frustration as the victims cannot produce or be employed in any serious task and must depend on relatives for survival.

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) coalition hosted by the Tanzania Women Lawyers Association (TAWLA) and 15 other members on road safety issues highlight existing gaps in the current road safety legal framework in Tanzania, particular indicating deficiencies in the Road Traffic Act, chapter 169 of 2002 deficiencies.

These are Tanzania Women Lawyers Association (TAWLA), Tanganyika Law Society (TLS), Tanzania Media Women Association (TAMWA), Road Safety Ambassadors (RAS), Tanzania Child Rights Forum and AMEND.

Others are Tanzania Association of People with Disabilities, Tanzania Bus Owners Association (TABOA), National Institute of Transport (NIT), Tanzania Media Foundation (TMF), Safe Speed Foundation and other individuals with expertise and passion on road safety.

The coalition team, in their positioned paper, urged amendments in archaic road traffic law, identifying key risk factors as non-use of seat belts/child restraints, use of alcohol while driving, speeding, non-use of helmet and distracted driving, evidenced by the need for a comprehensive Improved Road Safety Legal and Policy Environment.

The paper discloses that although the Act was intended to tackle and reduce the rate of road accidents, the same has not been sufficient to cover the problem.

"There are many loopholes and gaps in the Act which affects the intended aim of reducing the rate of crashes," it underlined.

the economic growth is lower or higher than before as long as employment and people's incomes are expanding, and the ecological environment and development quality are improving, the spokesperson said.

He added that Chinese economy still faces a complicated and severe economic development environment both at home and abroad, as well as considerable downward pressure and difficulties and challenges, but China has the condition, ability and confidence to realize steady, sound and sustainable economic development.

Since this year, some enterprises in China have relocated their capacity to Southeast Asia to reduce costs and fend off risks due to rising uncertainties at home and abroad. Certain media spreading hearsays that a handful of firms were leaving China.

In response to such voices, Yuan said it is a normal market phenomenon that some companies establish plants and carry out cooperation in foreign countries to meet new development needs.

In recent years, China's manufacturing has entered a stage of transformation, upgrading and high-quality development as the world witnesses international division of labor and profound adjustments in global industrial landscape, Yuan said, explaining that it is only normal that some companies go global and establish factories, operate and conduct investment cooperation outside of the country in this process.

Besides, the fact that some companies go global doesn't mean that the Chinese market loses its strong appeal to foreign investment.

On the one hand, the fundamentals of the Chinese economy remain strong. With a huge market, abundant human resources, well-developed infrastructure, a complete industrial chain and full-fledged supporting industries, China sees constant vitality and dynamism in making innovations and new creations, and unchanged upward economic trajectory and continuous industrial upgrading.

On the other hand, China has continuously improved its business environment. Chinese government has strived to create a market-oriented and international business environment which is based on the rule of law, further expanded opening-up and eased market access for foreign investment.

In addition, it has taken powerful measures to cut taxes and fees, endeavoring to offer all market entities, including private companies and foreign-invested enterprises, a better and more attractive business environment. **People's Daily**

**GLOBAL HEALTH SUPPLY CHAIN PROGRAM  
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE - TANZANIA  
JOB DESCRIPTION**

<p><b>Job Title :</b> HIV/AIDS Supply Chain Advisor – Pharmaceuticals</p> <p><b>Department/Unit :</b> HIV Pharmaceutical and Laboratory Services Unit, NACP</p> <p><b>Location :</b> NACP Offices, Dodoma</p> <p><b>Reports to :</b> Head - HIV Pharmaceutical and Laboratory Services Unit at NACP and Program Manager, GHSC TA-TZ</p>	<p>update PipeLine databases, generate updated supply plans, and provide coaching to GoT counterparts in supply planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare requested supply chain performance reports, and facilitate distribution to relevant stakeholders</li> <li>• Monitor overall stock status, highlight stock imbalances or impending stockouts, and develop solutions to address them.</li> <li>• Monitor commodities shelf life, prepare and follow through with action plans to avoid expiry of products</li> <li>• Liaise with PSM and GF to facilitate commodities supply plans visibility</li> <li>• Respond to queries from PSM, PEPFAR, and USAID I Tanzania regarding USG funded shipments, ensuring productive collaboration between NACP and PSM.</li> <li>• Work with MSD and TMDA in ensuring that program drugs and related supplies are reported in accordance with the guidelines</li> <li>• Build capacity within the NACP to place orders with PSM</li> <li>• Coordinate and ensure good communication with timely feedback to Program Manager, zonal Supply Chain Monitoring Advisors (SCMAs), MSD, Diagnostics Unit, PSU and IPs.</li> <li>• Coordinate with other stakeholders including implementing partners on stock status, usages/consumption at Central and zonal levels.</li> <li>• Coordinate key stakeholders which may include but not limited to MSD, PSU, TFDA, MOHSW-Diagnostic Unit, and GHSC TA-TZ and other USG Implementing Partners to address supply chain issues including funding mobilization for HIV commodities and leveraging of supply chain resources.</li> <li>• Support the preparations of annual work-plans and budgets and ensure smooth implementation of all activities.</li> <li>• Other duties as assigned</li> </ul> <p><b>Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An advanced degree or a Master's Degree in Health Informatics, Data Science, Business Analytics, Public Health, Pharmacy or other relevant area</li> <li>• Previous experience in HIV commodities commodity management and supply chain data analysis.</li> <li>• Knowledge in health supply chains in Tanzania</li> <li>• Strong analytical and problem-solving skills</li> <li>• Strong verbal and written communication skills in English and Swahili</li> <li>• Excellent technical writing and oral presentation skills highly desired</li> </ul> <p>Send your CV, cover letter and copies of your academic certificate to <a href="mailto:ghsc.recruitment@gmail.com">ghsc.recruitment@gmail.com</a>. Deadline for submission shall be on <b>7th November, 2019</b>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.</i></p>
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**OVERVIEW:**  
The Global Health Supply Chain Program – Technical Assistance – Tanzania (GHSC-TA-TZ) project, supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), provides expert technical assistance to Tanzania to strengthen country supply chain systems across all health elements, e.g., malaria, family planning (FP), HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis (TB) and maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH). In coordination with in-country and development partners, GHSC-TA-TZ assists Government of Tanzania health programs by providing strategic planning and implementation assistance; improving the delivery of health commodities to service sites; providing capacity building support to broaden stakeholders' understanding and engagement of the supply chain system; and strengthening enabling environments to improve supply chain performance.

**Job Summary/function:**  
The advisor will provide technical assistance to the National AIDS Control Program (NACP) HIV Pharmaceutical and Laboratory Services Unit in ensuring that HIV/AIDS commodities needs are accurately planned, forecasted, procured, stored, distributed and managed according to set standard procedures and regulations. The advisor will be required to provide updated data on commodities status, risks, and data quality and work with MSD, PEPFAR, GF and PSU and other sections within the NACP to attain HIV/AIDS commodities availability and accessibility in the country. In addition, the advisors will work closely with PMTCT, NTLF, GHSC TA-TZ and other HIV/AIDS implementing partners.

**Responsibilities:**  
Specific responsibilities will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Work collaboratively to develop interventions/solutions for addressing supply chain bottlenecks such as using trends and peer-to-peer benchmarking to improve accountability.
- Support the development and execution of effective management of regimen changes and demand management strategies
- Provide technical expertise in annual quantification exercises and ensure quantification reports are written timely
- Participate in routine reviews of supply plan,

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**1. CORPORATE AFFAIRS DIVISION**

<b>Post Title :</b>	Stores cum Assistant Administrative Officer
<b>Duty Station :</b>	Norther Zone Office - Arusha
<b>Reports to :</b>	Zonal Manager – Northern Zone

Stores Cum Assistant Administrative Officer will be responsible for proper management of stores, transport services and administrative services.

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

- i) To ensure proper store management and recording of purchased goods and services.
- ii) To handle zonal office's store as per Authority's financial and accounting procedures manual.
- iii) To ensure that office is properly maintained and provided with essential services and supplies.
- iv) To ensure zonal office tenancy lease contracts is properly managed and advises the Zonal Manager on issues related to rent and utilities payments.
- v) To follow up and ensure that travel arrangements are made, booked and confirmed on time.
- vi) To supervise drivers and ensure uninterrupted provision of transport services.
- vii) To supervise maintenance of office equipment and motor vehicles.
- viii) To handle transport logistics, issuance of fuel and checks logbooks.
- ix) To supervise the zonal office cleanliness, courier services and staff welfare.
- x) To carryout out administrative and human resources management activities in the zone.
- xi) To coordinate all corporate events in the zone such as EWURA family day, staff meeting, in house trainings and preparation of official meetings.
- xii) Responsible for day-to-day management and handling of incoming mails, outgoing mails, storage and retrieval of records.
- xiii) To undertake any other duties as assigned by the supervisor.

**Academic Qualifications and Experience**  
The ideal candidate for this position should have the following qualifications and experience:

- i) Possession of diploma in procurement, materials management, human resources management, records management or law from a recognized higher learning institution.
- ii) Possession of Knowledge and Competence in Information and Communications Technology (ICT) application.
- iii) Must be registered by PSPTB under Procurement and Supplies Technician or Procurement and Supplies Full Technician Category.
- iv) No prior working experience is required but possession of relevant working experience in relevant field will be an added advantage.

**Mode of Application**  
Application letter with Curriculum Vitae (CV) including e-mail address or day time contact telephone number, together with photocopies of certificates and transcripts (certificates from Foreign Universities should be verified by The Tanzania Commission for Universities (TCU), Birth certificate, one passport size photo and names and contacts of three referees should be addressed to reach the under-mentioned by **8th November, 2019**.

Only short-listed candidates meeting the above criteria will be invited for interview. Lobbying and canvassing for employment will not be entertained and may work to the candidate's disadvantage. **Application letter should be addressed to:**

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# Use of improved cook stoves pivotal in saving natural forests, biodiversity

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

THE Sustainable Holistic Development Foundation (SUHODE Foundation) has suggested the need for the government to enforce mandatory use of improved clean cook stoves for all households and institutions to save the country from turning into semi-desert.

The foundation's director, Frank Luvanda said that the use of improved cook stoves will help reduce 40 percent to 50 per cent of biomass consumption at households and institutions levels hence contribute towards sustainable utilization of biomass from natural forests.

According to Luvanda, the foundation under support from WWF Tanzania and SIDA through a project entitled "Leading the Change: Civil Societies, Rights and Environment" is building affordable improved cook stoves at household levels in two villages—Njungwa village in Gairo district, Morogoro region and Mchakama village in Kilwa district, Lindi region.

In the two villages, local communities using improved cook stoves have confirmed reduction of biomass consumption measured through frequencies of entering the forests for firewood, the environmental activist said, adding:

"Most of households used to go to the forests at least twice a week for firewood collection but since they started using improved cook stoves they only go once a week and some firewood collection had showed 50 per cent reduction."

Citing a study by the Center for International Forestry Research, (CIFOR), he said: "The same experience of biomass reduction has been confirmed in Ethiopia whereby improved cook stoves for Injera (a staple food in Ethiopia) showed 40 per cent reduction of biomass consumption as compared to traditional three stones cook stoves."

On affordability and reliability of such improved cook stoves, said that there are lots of such improved cook stoves made by several institutions which can readily be available to users. The costs for proposed improved cook stoves can range from a 15,000/- per improved cook stoves up to 3m/- for institutional-based improved cook stoves, he said, noting that there are several varieties to suits urban and rural needs as well as to suits individual's purchasing power.

"As foundation, we're ready and willing to transfer knowledge of making affordable improved cook stoves to local communities something that will reduce costs for rural communities.

"SUHODE Foundation is confident and optimistic that introducing and enforcing mandatory uses of improved cook stoves at household and institutional levels will save the quick diminishing of natural forests in Tanzania hence save the country from falling into semi-desert," Luvanda said in an exclusive interview.

According to information from CIFOR, improved cooking stoves (ICS) have a long history in nature conservation and development projects; as they bear the potential to reduce the pressure on forest resources and improve local livelihoods at the same time.

"That's why we're suggesting the need for the government to legally introduce mandatory uses of improved cook stoves at household and institutional levels for the purpose of saving our natural forests in Tanzania," he said.

He added that the recommendation aligns well with various national policies and plans such as the National Energy Policy 2015, National Environmental Action Plan (NEAP) 2013-2018, National Environmental Policy 1997, National Forest Policy 1998, Wildlife Policy 2007, Forest Act No 7 of 2002, Environmental Management Act No 20 of 2004, Wildlife Conservation Act No 5 of 2009, Water Resource Management Act No 11 of 2009, etc; all these aim at sustainable management of natural resources in Tanzania.

"This is also in line with the World Bank Group recommendation, which highlights the importance of access to modern fuels and low impact urbanization. Limiting the amount of biomass fuel consumed by households would have an immediate positive impact on ecosystems and human health."

He also said that SUHODE Foundation will continue working hard to support government's environmental protection initiative and sustainable management of natural resources. "The foundation will embrace natural rejuvenation tech-

niques to restore degraded natural forest landscapes as part of its forest restoration program. It will continue to embark on renewable energy interventions by facilitating local communities to embrace energy efficient cook stoves as well as other renewable energy options."

According to him, the foundation is quite optimistic that the government of Tanzania will take measures and decisions that favor protection and conservation of natural forests in Tanzania.

"SUHODE Foundation hopes that the gov-

ernment of Tanzania will embrace sustainable uses of natural forests to ensure its sustainability in the long term not only for us but for future generation as well."

"The confidence that foundation has right now is based on the fact that the fifth government of Tanzania has taken desired actions to increase efforts in conservation," he said.

Current data shows that forest loss in Tanzania is huge as the country losses 469,420 per annum. According to the World Bank Group Report of 2019, Tanzania is one of the fastest deforesting countries in the world, whereby

firewood and charcoal are among the key drivers of tree felling. Tanzania's Sustainable Energy for All Action Agenda 2015 said that more than 90 percent of the country's rural households use biomass from natural forests for cooking while in urban areas 62 percent of households use charcoal for cooking and heating.

Some of the negative impacts of natural forest loss are biodiversity loss, loss of wildlife habitat, loss of water sources, shrinking of wetlands and water catchment areas, and destruction of river banks.

"Our forests are shrinking year after year hence requiring strong measures to stop deforestation in the general land adjacent to cities and towns as well as in protected areas.

"Personally, I really fear the future of our current and next generations as they may find themselves amidst chaos due to lack of reliable clean water supply, reliable energy sources, as well as reliable natural air cleaning mechanism. The same generations might find engulfed amidst erratic and unpredictable rains, food insecurity, and polluted air," Luvanda said.

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## LEGAL SERVICES FACILITY (LSF)

### VACANCY - Director of Finance

The Legal Services Facility (LSF) is a registered Non- Governmental Organization (NGO) with Registration No. 00NGO/R2/00011. It is a basket fund created to channel funding on equal opportunity basis to organizations that provide Legal Aid and Paralegal services in Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar. These services assist individuals to claim their rights, redress grievances and protect their fundamental human rights.

The LSF manages a basket fund to which DANIDA, DFID and the EU are contributors. It operates as a grant maker with the overall goal to increase access to justice through a legal empowerment approach, in particular for women and girls. Through implementing partners, a paralegal cadre of around 3,500 is supported, organized in 170 small district based paralegal organizations.

**Post: Director of Finance**

**Location: Dar es Salaam**  
**Reports to: Chief Executive Officer**

#### The Role

The Director of Finance (DF) will play a critical role in partnering with the Senior Management team in strategic decision making and operations as LSF continues to enhance its quality programming and develop its internal financial management capacity as well as the capacity of its implementing partners.

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Equally the DF will ensure that LSF grantees / implementing partners manage their grants in a prudent, transparent and accountable manner, open to scrutiny by the LSF Secretariat, auditors and open to other forms of public scrutiny.

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#### Minimum Requirements

- Master's in Business, Finance, Accounting, or a similar relevant field.
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**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:** If you are Tanzanian and qualified for this post, please submit a single page application letter showing your suitability to the role with an updated Curriculum Vitae to [hr@lsftz.org](mailto:hr@lsftz.org) by Wednesday 06th November, 2019. Only short-listed candidates will be notified. For a full job profile and information about LSF please visit LSF Website: [www.lsftz.org](http://www.lsftz.org).

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Personally, I really fear the future of our current and next generations as they may find themselves amidst chaos due to lack of reliable clean water supply, reliable energy sources, as well as reliable natural air cleaning mechanism. The same generations might find engulfed amidst erratic and unpredictable rains, food insecurity, and polluted air

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# An expanding Sahara leaves broken families and violence in its wake



**BAMAKO, Mali/COTONOU, Benin**

**Malian girls stand in the shade in Kidal, North of Mali. File photo**

**A**BDOULAYE Maiga proudly displays an album showing photos of him and his family during happier times when they all lived together in their home in northern Mali. Today, these memories seem distant and painful.

"We lived happily as a big family before the war and ate and drank as much as we could by growing crops and raising livestock," he tells IPS.

"Then the war broke out and our lives changed forever, pushing us southwards, finally settling in the region of Mopti. Then we went back home in 2013 when the situation stabilised," Abdoulaye explains.

In 2012, various groups of Tuareg rebels grouped together to form and administer a new northern state called Azawad. The civil strife that resulted drove many from their homes, with communities often fleeing with their livestock, only to compete for scarce natural resources in vulnerable host communities, according to the United Nations.

In Mali, three-quarters of the population rely on agriculture for their food and income, and most are subsistence farmers, growing rainfed crops on small plots of land, according to the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the U.N.

After the security situation began to improve in 2013, many returned home to rebuild their lives and livelihoods.

But soon it was the turn of the expanding Sahara Desert, drought and land degradation that became the next driver of their displacement.

"As time went by, the land became useless and we found ourselves having no more land to work on. Nothing would come out that could feed us, and our livestock kept dying due the lack of water and grass to eat," Abdoulaye recalls.

"Drought across the Sahel region, followed by conflict in northern Mali, caused a major slump in the country's agricultural production, reducing household assets and leaving many of Mali's poor even more vulnerable," FAO says.

"We used to move up and down with our livestock, looking for water and grass, but most of the times we found none. Life was unliveable. The Sahara is coming down, very fast," Abdoulaye says emotionally.

In the end, the Maiga family had to leave their home and broke up; Abdoulaye and his brother Ousmane heading to Benin's commercial capital Cotonou in 2015, after a brief stint in Burkina Faso, as the rest of their family headed for Mali's capital, Bamako.

## Threatened with creeping desertification ...

The U.N. says nearly 98 percent of Mali is threatened with creeping desertification, as a result of nature and human activity. Besides, the Sahara Desert keeps expanding southward at a rate of 48 km a year, further degrading the land and eradicating the already scarce livelihoods of populations, Reuters reported.

The Sahara, an area of 3.5 million square miles, is the largest 'hot' desert in the world and home to some 70 species of mammals, 90 species of resident birds and 100 species of reptiles, according to DesertUSA. And it is expanding, its size is registered at 10 percent larger than a century ago, LiveScience reported.

The Sahel, the area between The Sahara in the north and the Sudanian Savanna in the south, is the region where temperatures are rising faster than anywhere else on Earth.



## PROJECT MANAGER

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**Report to: Chief Research Scientist.**

**Region: Dar es Salaam.**

### Job summary:

Reporting to the Chief Research Scientist, the Project Manager will work under Research and Consultancy unit to support effective operationalization of AAPH project activities. S/he will have to work closely with project partners and collaborators, within and outside Tanzania.

### Position Responsibilities

- Collaborate with the senior technical team to design and implement project activities.
- Develop work plans for the implementation of different projects with the senior technical team.
- Lead and support timely, accurate and appropriate reporting of project activities and results from the project.
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- Support research proposal development for funding application.

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- Good data analysis, graphical data presentation, dissemination and report writing skills.
- At least 3 years or more of demonstrated project/research project management.
- Experience working in NGO with active research/project focus.
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### To apply:

Interested candidates for the above position; should provide letter of application indicating the position applied for, Curriculum Vitae (CV) and contact information (email addresses and telephone numbers) of three professional references.

Applications for Project Manager position should be submitted to the Human Resource Manager, Africa Academy for Public Health (AAPH) by **Wednesday Thursday 31st October**. Submissions may be done through physical delivery or through P.O Box 32273 Plot #802 Mwai Kibaki Road, Mikocheni Dar es Salaam or through email to [info@aaph-tz.org](mailto:info@aaph-tz.org).

*Kindly note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.*



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- Initiate travel authorizations in conjunction with meetings, workshops, conferences or sessions; make travel arrangements; tracks and prepare itinerary and agenda; prepare associated documentation; facilitate the travels of visiting officials by providing information and preparing the necessary documentation.
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A successful candidate will be required to demonstrate the following competencies:

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- Innovation
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- Planning and organizing
- Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement

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- Completed secondary, technical or vocational school.

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An assessment exercise may be used in the evaluation of candidates

## HOW TO APPLY

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## 500 retail shop owners, managers in Dar to undergo 12 month entrepreneurship course

By Francis Kajubi

SOME 500 retail shop owners and managers will undergo yearlong entrepreneurship training and life skills aimed at growing their sales by 30 percent.

Under TechnoServe Tanzania's Pan African Youth Entrepreneur Development (PAYED)'s phase three program covering 2019 to 2020 will enroll 100 individuals from each of Dar es Salaam's five municipalities of Kigamboni, Kinondoni, Ilala, Temeke and Ubungu.

"The 100 participants from each district will undergo one year entrepreneurship and self-employment skills training course aimed at improving retail trading and shop owners' skills in business management," said PAYED Program Manager, Tunsime Kyando.

Speaking in during the launch of phase three of the program in Dar es Salaam this week, Kyando said the course which will also involve mentorship, will be completed next September. Address district trade and business department officials from Dar es Salaam region, Kyando said success made during phase two of the CITI Foundation sponsored program has resulted into the extension.

PAYED phase two ended last month and involved Ilala and Ubungu municipalities only

and successfully managed to enroll 101 retailers above the targeted 250.

During the course, the candidates undergo theory and practical sessions for four months on the topics covering best shop management practices, better operations that involve merchandizing and customer care and financial management, among others.

"The other areas are supply chain management, investment opportunities and business planning," the PAYED Manager added.

Stakeholders who attended the meeting included regional trade officers, Tanzania Revenue authority, Tanzania Bureau of Standards, Weights and Measures Agency and private representative mainly from suppliers such as ASAS Dairy, Shambani Dairy and Azam Group.

TechnoServe, a global not for profit organization has since its establishment in 1968, working on programs that focus on empowering agribusiness entrepreneurs, retail shop traders and enterprises through capacity building.

On his part, Thabit Massa who is Principal Trade officer of Dar es Salaam region said the city has almost 200,000 retail traders and that the government consid-



Trade and Community Development Officers from the five districts of Dar es Salaam listening attentively to TechnoServe PAYED's Program Manager, Tunsime Kyando during a meeting last week. Photo courtesy of TechnoServe.

ers them as an important group to broadening its tax base.

"Educating the youth on issues attributed to trade matters, matter a lot under the Fifth Phase Government and that's why we have

been undertaking initiatives to formalize the informal businesses," Massa said. Retail shops mostly serve low income earners who are about 80 percent of the country's population. "The growth in retail trading

is crucial as it can contribute to increased revenue thus boosting the budget for development projects," he added.

## Buoyed by NMB, MasterCard digital deal, Bodaboda to establish e-database

By Beatrice Philemon

BUOYED by a partnership between NMB Bank Plc and MasterCard which allows them to enjoy utilize MasterCard QR digital payment solution, Bodaboda riders are now mulling plans to establish an electronic database of all members.

Bodaboda Riders Association in Dar es Salaam's Chairman, Michael Massawe said e-database will have details of each member including where one stays, operates from as well as their personal information for easy management.

"This exercise will begin as soon as possible this year because this is an issue of urgency," Massawe said soon after witnessing the NMB and MasterCard agreement announcing ceremony. He said the move by NMB and MasterCard is an important recognition of the group hence the decision to adopt digitization of membership.

"We will embark on a recruitment drive of members across Dar es Salaam region with details being recorded digitally," he added stressing that the database will further serve as testimony that Bodaboda riders are an official group of service providers that can be trusted by banks and the public.

"We will also conduct a campaign to recruit members from all over the country later," he revealed saying the group needs proper organization and identification to become formal.

He called on NMB Bank to help them implement the exercise because the project needs financing which the informal group alone whose members are volunteers cannot afford.

He thanked NMB and MasterCard for introducing the QR digital payment solution saying it also paves way for easy access to banking services by the group which has thousands of members countrywide.



Bodaboda riders in Dar es Salaam. File photo.

"NMB Bank and MasterCard has raised our status in to high level and helps us to be recognized for as a positive group of service providers who contribute both socially and economically to national growth," he noted.

During the NMB and MasterCard digital payment solution launch last week, Minister of State in Prime Minister's Office responsible for Policy, Parliamentary Affairs, Labour, Employment, Youth and the Disabled, Jenista Mhagama commended NMB and MasterCard for the initiative saying it aligns well with the government's finan-

cial inclusion agenda. Mhagama pledged the government's continued support to the banking industry as a source of funding to private investors.

"What you are doing today, has the government's go ahead as it will help especially youths to take their job seriously and grow while making a positive contribution to the country's economy," said Mhagama.

Through the NMB partnership with MasterCard, Bodaboda riders will enjoy transaction with their customers via the bank's digital payment solution.

## Public debt repayments eat 57pc of KRA collections

NAIROBI

For every Sh100 that Kenya collected as taxes in the three months to September, it used Sh57 on debt payments, underlining the heavy burden of mounting government borrowing.

Data from the Treasury shows that Sh214.79 billion was used for loan repayments in the first quarter of the financial year, making it the single-largest expenditure in the period to September. The repayments accounted for 57 percent of the Sh372 billion that the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) collected in taxes in the period under review, denying the State the cash it needs for projects like building roads,

power plants and revamping the health sector.

Kenya has ramped up spending in recent years to build a modern railway line, new roads and electricity plants, driving up borrowing to plug the Budget deficit.

The public debt crossed the Sh6 trillion mark in July, up from Sh1.89 trillion in June 2013, a growth that has sparked concerns that the ballooning loans risk hurting the economy due to the huge debt repayment burden.

The government has defended the increased borrowing, saying the country must invest in its infrastructure, including roads and railways, to spur growth. The debt payment in the quarter to September is 40 per-

cent more than the Sh153 billion that taxpayers paid in a similar period a year earlier, when loan settlement costs took 46.7 percent of taxes.

The debt repayment was more than four times the development spend of Sh48 billion in the three months to September and more than nine times that of infrastructure like roads whose expenditure stood at Sh23 billion.

The Sh55 billion allocated to the 47 counties in the three months was less than a quarter of the cash spent on paying public debt in the quarter. A number of local and international agencies including the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank have raised the red flag over Kenya's rising appetite for borrow-

ing to finance State expenditure.

Majority of African countries spend Sh1 for every Sh3 they collect in revenue on debt obligations, a pointer that Kenya's is on the higher side.

MPs this month approved a change in the law that increased the cap for State borrowing to Sh9 trillion, giving the government leeway to further increase the public debt, already considered worryingly high.

Legislators unanimously supported the review of the law that restricted public debt at half of gross domestic product (GDP). Kenya's public debt as a percentage of GDP has increased to 55 percent from 42 percent when President Uhuru Kenyatta took office in 2013.



## Banks facing even bigger risk of cyber attacks - Moody's

JOHANNESBURG

GLOBAL retail and commercial banks are facing an increasing risk of cyber attacks as their operations become more digitised, Moody's Investors Service has warned in a new report.

Cyber attacks can in turn end up impacting a bank's credit standing through financial losses, erosion of brand value and regulatory consequences, the rating agency added. The Moody's research for the report suggests that cyber attackers target banks in developed and developing markets alike.

Greater rewards

Banks in developed and wealthy markets are possibly more exposed because of their more prevalent digitalisation, as well as the more lucrative potential rewards of a successful cybercrime attempt. Larger banks in advanced and wealthy markets are at risk because of more widespread digitalisation and the high value of the data they house.

On the other hand, this is counterbalanced by access to security measures. "Smaller banks in developing markets often have fewer resources for cyber defence and internal controls, making them an easy target for financial theft," says Sophia Lee, a Moody's vice president and senior credit officer.

"Cyber attacks often target weak links in payment networks or in banks' data platforms and vendors. Smaller banks have fewer resources for cyber defence, often have weaker internal controls and may operate in jurisdictions with few or no cybersecurity laws or regulations.

Escalating losses

The report found that financial losses commonly occur via theft and fraud, and they generally affect banks through one-off reductions in profit and potentially capitalisation. More lasting franchise erosion, with indeterminate losses, can result from large data breaches or business disruption.

According to the report, the costs incurred from cyber attacks can escalate quickly as they increase in sophistication and simultaneously target multiple institutions. Furthermore, the increasing popularity of social networks can also be abused to quicken the propagation and increase the ferocity of cyber attacks, amplifying their potential to destabilise the financial system. In more extreme cases, this could threaten the viability of the targeted bank, states the report.

According to Kaspersky's Managed Detection and Response Analytics Report, sophisticated targeted attacks often use so-called "living off the land" techniques, which hide malicious activity within legitimate user and administrator behaviour.

"If you don't see a large number of 'false-positive' events in your network, that probably means that you are missing a lot of important security incidents," says Sergey Soldatov, head of the security operation centre at Kaspersky.



# Mobile money firm joins UmojaSwitch ATM network

By The Banker Reporter

**E**FFECTIVE Tuesday this week all Tigo Pesa subscribers can now get cash out services at UmojaSwitch ATMs throughout the country thanks to an agreement between Tigo Tanzania Limited and UmojaSwitch Company Limited.

Announcing the deal in Dar es Salaam this week, Tigo Tanzania acting Chief Officer for Mobile Financial Services, Angelina Pasha and UmojaSwitch's CEO, Danford Mbilinyi said under the partnership, the two entities will foster financial inclusion in the country.

Pasha said the new service is

in line with the company's strategy of providing its customers with quality and digitalized financial services to ensure superior customer experience in the market. "We are excited to launch this new mobile banking solution that will give our customers more control of their money since it is an easy and secure way of accessing money through UmojaSwitch ATMs that are available across the country," Pasha said.

Pasha added that the service will further bank to wallet and wallet to bank penetration while diversifying the use of the Tigo Pesa as a fully-fledged

financial service provider convenient to its customers.

"It is our hope that this new service will foster our goal to extend our footprint to customers across every corner of the country and contribute to the financial inclusion agenda. Through this partnership Tigo is increasing its customer touch points through UmojaSwitch ATMs," she noted while revealing that the deal complements more than 100,000 existing Tigo Pesa agents across the country.

In response, UmojaSwitch's Mbilinyi said, "The cooperation will enhance advancement of the financial

sector while making services more available to people at all levels from both urban and rural areas."

He pointed out that cooperation between Tigo and UmojaSwitch in giving customers freedom to access their money any time and hence save time and costs is an important development towards growth.

"We are proud to have implemented an ATM network with a full range of services, and today, as we launch the Tigo Pesa cash out service from our ATMs, the network has added a vital service in its portfolio," Mbilinyi added.



Tigo Tanzania acting Chief Officer for Mobile Financial Services, Angelina Pasha and UmojaSwitch's CEO, Danford Mbilinyi during the launch of their partnership in Dar es Salaam earlier this week. Photo courtesy of Tigo.

## CBA Bank customers entitled to 15pc price cut at GSM Home shops

By The Banker Reporter

**C**USTOMERS of CBA Bank Tanzania will now enjoy a special 15 percent discount offer at all GSM Home shops for the next 12 months following an agreement between the two sides.

Speaking in Dar es Salaam earlier this week after signing of the agreement between the two parties, CBA Bank's CEO, Dr Gift Shoko said the offer targets customers who will use the bank's debit and credit Visa cards to

make point of sale payments especially during this up-coming end of the year festive season.

"This offer is intended to benefit all customers who make purchases starting from 200,000/-," said Dr Shoko who pointed out that the partnership will give current and new customers the opportunity to buy GSM Homes unique goods cheaply.

"Our customers will also experience our efficient cashless services while enjoying this great deal of 15 percent discount

on their purchases at selected GSM Home malls," he added while noting that CBA Bank Tanzania has more than 10,840 cardholders who do more than 16,360 transactions every month.

"This gives us more reason to celebrate with them during this upcoming festive season and build long-lasting relationships with our customers," the CBA Bank chief noted.

Speaking at the same event, GSM Group's Head of Sales and Marketing, Allan Chonjo said the

company has entered into the agreement with CBA Bank to expand its business scope and offer customers quality products at affordable prices.

"Together with the varieties that we have this agreement will give the CBA Bank card holders an opportunity to enjoy shopping and put the discount to good use.

We appreciate all customers who shop at GSM Home and urge all CBA Bank card users to come shop and enjoy this amazing offer," Chonjo said.



CBA bank Tanzania's CEO, Dr Gift Shoko (L) and GSM Group's Head Sales and Marketing, Allan Chonjo shake hands after signing an agreement to give the bank's customers 15 percent discount for the next 12 month at a ceremony held in Dar es Salaam this week. Photo: Guardian Photographer.

## S. Africa deficits expected to widen on Eskom woes – poll

JOHANNESBURG

**S**OUTH Africa's finance minister is likely to raise the medium-term targets for budget deficits, a Reuters poll forecast on Tuesday, because of costs related to the state-owned power utility, Eskom.

A poll of 14 economists surveyed in the past week predicted Finance Minister Tito Mboweni would expand the budget deficit to 6.05% of gross domestic product, compared with a 4.5% projection in February for the year that began in April.

The poll put the next fiscal year's deficit at 5.6% of GDP, compared with a 4.3% forecast in February. "The budget deficit forecasts are likely to widen somewhat in the near term until revenue improves on collection efficiencies," said Annabel Bishop, chief economist at Investec.

Jeffrey Schultz, economist at BNP Paribas, said additional state support to Eskom would cut GDP by 1.2% over the next two years. South African President Cyril Ramaphosa said on Monday that the government will soon announce a permanent chief executive for state-run Eskom, after the struggling power utility reintroduced rolling blackouts last week.

"Eskom's long-term turnaround strategy released later this month should also indicate that an Eskom debt restructure is on the cards, with a good chance that a healthy portion of the state's nearly 7% of GDP in Eskom guaranteed debt will move onto the

sovereign balance sheet," Schultz said.

The crisis-hit utility, which produces more than 90% of South Africa's electricity, has been hobbled by technical and financial woes. It imposed days of power cuts last week after a number of its generating units broke down.

The company's debt stood at more than R440 billion in 2018/19, when the company reported a mammoth R20.7 billion annual loss.

As poor as the country's finances are, the poll predicted unanimously that South Africa would avoid a credit rating downgrade when Moody's reviews its status this month. However, Elize Kruger, an economist at NKC African Economics and Rand Merchant Bank economist Mpho Tsebe expect Moody's to lower its outlook to negative from stable on November 1. Some economists reckon a downgrade will follow in 12 months or more.

Last month, Moody's said fiscal risks and political constraints to economic reform in South Africa were reflected in its current credit rating, one notch above speculative grade. But maintaining that rating depended on how fast the government implemented promised reforms, it said.

A majority of economists said a debt-to-GDP ratio of more than 70% would be considered a red flag for South Africa, but it would take more than five years to get there. The ratio currently sits around 57%. A separate survey last week predicted economic growth would remain under pressure at 0.6% this year and 1.2% next year.

## Nigeria mulls action to boost competition in telecoms industry

LAGOS

**N**IGERIAN regulators warned they may have to take action to boost competition in the telecommunications industry, a move that could affect international operators including market leader MTN Group Ltd.

While a formal inquiry isn't underway, authorities are focusing on ownership of data services and infrastructure in Africa's most populous nation, Babatunde Irukera, executive vice chairman of the Federal Competition & Consumer Protection Commission, said in an interview.

"We are slicing it a little slimmer than who has the most subscribers. We are looking more at data capability and data infrastructure," he said in Abuja, Nigeria's capital. "Early indications show that, depending on how it ends, we may have to take certain actions." Irukera declined to name a specific company that could be targeted.

MTN was awarded an additional broadband spectrum earlier this year after a lengthy regulatory battle in which some rivals accused the Johannesburg-based carrier of undermining competition. The company has fought a number of battles with local authorities in its biggest market, and paid a fine of about \$1 billion in 2016 for missing a deadline to disconnect certain subscribers.

London-listed Airtel Africa and local operator 9Mobile claimed in a 2018 public inquiry that the transfer of 800 MHz from Visafone Communications to MTN could lead to a monopoly in an industry that represents more than 10% of the economy. MTN has denied it is reducing competition for spectrum.

Any potential measures may involve opening up spectrum to new bidders or ordering a firm to give up a frequency, said Irukera. He added that the concerns stem from an ongoing World Bank-led study about spectrum democratisation in West Africa. Any actions will be carried out in consultation with the Nigerian Communications Commission, Irukera said.

## Heineken profit growth to ease on Africa, Americas slowdown

THE HAGUE

**H**EINEKEN, the world's second-largest brewer, forecast that growth in operating profit will slow this year as the Dutch brewer sold less beer than expected in Africa and the Americas. Earnings growth is set to rise about 4% this year, down from a rate of 6.4% last year. Heineken's previous forecast was for a mid-single-digit increase.

Key insights

Double-digit growth in Asia, which has been dominated by Anheuser-Busch InBev, helped offset a decline in the US. Heineken is the first of the major brewers to report third-quarter results. Competitors AB InBev and Carlsberg A/S are expected to benefit from demand in Mexico and China, respectively.

The Dutch brewer's namesake brand had double-digit growth in markets such as Brazil, South Africa, the UK and Germany. The company has been depending more on Heineken's strong performance lately as consumers move from low-end beers to international premium brands in developing markets. The shares fell 1.9% early Wednesday in Amsterdam. The stock has gained about 24% this year.





## Bodaboda tax operators bask in NMB, MasterCard partnership success

By The Banker Reporter

**D**OING Bodaboda business in Dar es Salaam after dusk may be a risky venture especially if one goes around with bulky cash earned during the whole day. But for Jackson Kiputiipi things have become much better since NMB Bank Plc and MasterCard introduced a digital payment solution last week.

"Now, I can do my business of ferrying people and their cargo with ease even at dusk because if one wants to pay me, they will have to do it digitally and not hard cash," said the 21 year old resident of Kijitonyama in Dar es Salaam.

He said carrying bulky cash in the commercial capital especially at night posed a serious danger because of risks of attacks by robbers. "Our work is full of risks because we transport anyone without any ability to know details of our passengers which has sometimes ended us in trouble," Kiputiipi noted.

He commended NMB and MasterCard for the timely initiative saying the digital payment solution was long sought by the Bodaboda

riders who consider it as a solution to risks of being robbed their cash by eunuchs.

Kiputiipi's observation is backed by NMB's acting Managing Director, Ruth Zaipuna who said the new MasterCard digital payment platform is the most secure way of not only effective payment for goods and services but also keeping money safe with the bank.

Zaipuna said the MasterCard QR service is an opportunity which will allow thousands of Bodaboda riders in the country access banking services and thus implementing the government's financial inclusion agenda.

"This is inculcating a culture of responsibility among Bodaboda riders who constitute a significant group of service providers whose contribution to the national economy is widely recognised," Zaipuna said.

For NMB, digitization of Bodaboda payments is a key component of the banks' drive to incorporate the unbanked population into the formal banking system. "With MasterCard QR, we are providing an efficient means for Bodaboda riders to receive payments from all



NMB's acting Managing Director, Ruth Zaipuna speaks during the MasterCard QR digital payment solution in Dar es Salaam last week. Photo courtesy of NMB.

mobile money network operators and commercial bank customers that are MasterCard QR enabled," Zaipuna added.

She revealed that the service which is currently only available in Dar es Salaam will, be extended to Arusha, Dodoma, Mbeya, Mwanza and Ruvuma later this year. The NMB chief further noted that the service will also enable Bodaboda riders to save their money and escape unnecessary expenditure.

"This digital payment solution will be conducted on smartphones by

scanning the MasterCard QR code," she added while urging Bodaboda riders countrywide to seize the opportunity.

Minister of State in Prime Minister's Office responsible for Policy, Parliamentary Affairs, Labour, Employment, Youth and the Disabled, Jenista Mhagama commended NMB and MasterCard for the initiative saying it aligns well with the government's financial inclusion agenda. Mhagama pledged the government's continued support to the banking industry as a source of funding to private investors.

"What you are doing today, has the government's go ahead as it will help especially youths to take their job seriously and grow while making a positive contribution to the country's economy," said Mhagama.

Through the NMB partnership with MasterCard, Bodaboda riders will enjoy transaction with their customers via the bank's digital payment solution. MasterCard QR is a modern, secure and easy digital payment solution, which allows customers make payment by scanning a QR code or a merchant pay number using the USSD option on

their mobile phone.

Area Business Head for Tanzania and East Africa at Mastercard, Frank Molla said the platform offers convenient, secure and hassle free rider - passenger experience through its cashless proposition. Molla further said that MasterCard is always working with partners to provide solutions that enable consumers enjoy seamless access to payments.

"We are proud to have partnered with NMB in leveraging our technology to launch Mastercard QR in this integral aspect of the transport sector. With a significant number of people using Bodabodas daily, introducing a seamless cashless solution to the riders provides substantial impact on driving inclusive growth as well as building a digital economy," Molla added.

Under the arrangement, NMB is planning to reach over 75,000 Bodabodas in the next 12 months and at least two million in the next few years.

Over 1,000 Bodaboda riders have been trained so far on the use of the Instant QR payment on mobile highlighting its simplicity, convenience and other benefits.

## SBL sustained growth positively impacting local barley farmers

By The Banker Reporter

**K**ABASI Mayideshi considers himself one of the luckiest farmers in the country. The Manyara region based farmer is one of the beneficiaries of Serengeti Breweries Limited's Local Raw Materials Project (LRM) through which the beer brewer gives priority to sourcing raw materials within the country.

The father of four has seen his cereals farming business grow sustainably just like the brewer's annual volumes increase and dominate the domestic market. "This collaboration with Serengeti Breweries has completely changed my life and that of my entire family," he said while noting that SBL through LRM has rescued thousands of farmers in Manyara region.

"The biggest problem we had, for many years, was market for our produce. We had bumper harvests for many years but the place to sell was a problem," said Mayideshi saying SBL has not only given farmers a reliable market but also sustainably profitable.

"We are now sure of the market for our commodities and even the price we are offered is very competitive," he said. Mayideshi is one of the 400 cereal growing farmers who are enrolled under the LRM project.

Slightly over five years ago, SBL, which is the country's second largest beer-maker, introduced the LRM agribusiness programme, which now is impacting positively on the lives of many farmers across the country assuring them a reliable market for their crops.

According to SBL's Managing Director, Mark Occiti, the LRM farmers' support program entails providing farmers with free high



A sorghum farmer from Manyara and her family attending their farm. He is one of the beneficiaries of Serengeti Breweries Limited partnership.

quality seeds, linking them to financial institutions to acquire capital needed for large scale farming as well as with suppliers of fertilizers and other farming inputs.

Occiti said in return, the brewer buys all of the farmers' commodities at market prices hence enabling them to repay loans taken from commercial banks while another profit margin helps them turn around their living standards and those of their dependents.

"SBL currently sources about 15,300

tons of locally produced grains annually from a network of 400 farmers across the country. This is equivalent to 68 percent of SBL total raw material requirement a year," Occiti noted.

He further pointed out that the Dar es Salaam based brewer plans to increase its sourcing of maize, sorghum and barley from local growers to over 17 tonnes in 2020 as part of the company's ambitious expansion in its beer production.

SBL is has already started a 10 million British pounds expansion project of its Dar es Salaam plant which will also see Moshi and Mwanza plants undergo similar expansion starting this year thanks to consumers growing demand of the brewer's beer brands.

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Tanzania is among developing nations that are targeting to become semi industrialised and middle-income economy by 2025 in line with Tanzania Development Vision 2025.

As main backbone of both the domestic and the export market, the agricultural sector in the country engages 80 percent of labour force hence significantly contributing to the nation's socio-economic growth.

Smallholder farmers dominate production in the country's agriculture sector with more than 90 percent of cultivated land. The sector accounts for about 65.5 percent of employment; provides livelihood to more than 70 percent of population, 29 percent of gross domestic product; 30 percent of export earnings and 65 percent of inputs to the industrial sector according to National Bureau of Statistics data of 2014.

About three out of four households name agriculture as their main activity and includes those based urban areas who to a certain extent, are still involved in crop production.

Indeed, agriculture is an important sector for Tanzania, contributing up to 26 percent of the country's GDP. Typically, farmers produce to feed their families but they also sell to the market to earn income for their families.

When farmers make more income from the sale of their produce, it leads to more development in the rural areas which ultimately impacts positively on the overall economy. This is what has contributed to success stories of predominantly agricultural countries dubbed Asian Tigers which include Malaysia and Vietnam.

"In Tanzania, this kind of impact has not yet been felt - at least not on a tangible scale. Agricultural commercialization remains marginal in the country as shown by recent statistics," said Minister for Agriculture, Food Security and Cooperatives, Japhet Hasunga.

Hasunga told parliament during his budget presentation mid this year that statistics show that 26 percent of all farmers did not sell any of their crops because, "They were not connected to markets and only 25 percent sold more than half of their production."

The statistic further show that more than two thirds of maize farmers did not sell any of their harvest and only 25 percent of total maize production was marketed this year. Uganda and Kenya have similar challenges. On the other hand, Vietnam moved from 48 percent of crop production being marketed in 1993 to 87 percent in 2008.

The low rate of commercialization may be explained by many factors such as remoteness, low production, low farm-gate prices, high marketing margins, lack of information and poor

## Nedbank to reskill employees as tech disrupts jobs

JOHANNESBURG

**B**IG four bank Nedbank is moving to redeploy employees impacted by digitisation, saying job losses through retrenchment will be the last resort. This as labour unions fight local banks over widespread job losses in the financial services sector mostly because of the introduction of technology.

"Nedbank's digital and innovation strategy is designed to respond to changing client behaviour and grow our business - not reduce it," Nedbank tells ITWeb in an e-mail. "What we commit to, as always, is to ensure that wherever possible, we minimise the impact of the changing nature of our business on our staff and provide training to ensure staff skills remain relevant. Unfortunately, we cannot commit to not changing the nature of our business as the world around us changes."

The bank says it is mindful of the difficulties being experienced across all

facets of the South African economy and that speculation surrounding the impact on staff numbers from any acceleration in its digital and innovation strategy causes apprehension. However, it notes, the future is very hard for anyone to predict with any degree of precision.

"In this regard, we should be reminded that when the ATM was introduced 40 years ago, there were fears that it would make tellers redundant. Today, we have hundreds more tellers and thousands more ATMs as well as many staff working in ancillary services around the ATM ecosystem."

Nedbank says branches are very important to the bank as they remain its most important touch points with clients. Standard Bank recently faced backlash after it closed 104 branches countrywide within a short space of time. To date, one in every five Standard Bank branches has been closed down.

In March, Absa Group announced it



was restructuring its South African retail and business banking unit within months, which would affect 870 jobs. Nedbank in August said it had been in consultations with the unions, noting fewer of its people would be affected.

Capitec last month announced it

has converted some of its branches by removing cashiers and replacing them with self-service technology. Meanwhile, First National Bank CEO Jacques Celliers recently told ITWeb there will be no branch closures at the big four bank.

The job losses in the banks caused

finance union, the South African Society of Bank Officials, to threaten a massive strike that was set to cripple the local banking sector last month before the industrial action was called off.

"At Nedbank, we always seek to ensure ongoing structural changes to improve client service and create a future-fit organisation that responds to changing client behaviour are done in such a way that job losses through retrenchment are only as a last resort," says the bank.

"This is demonstrated by the low numbers of

retrenched staff in recent years - Nedbank works hard to ensure that as many of the impacted employees as possible are trained and redeployed within the bank as we have a natural staff turnover rate of around 10% and an overall staff headcount of around 30 000. "In addition, we have partnerships with companies outside Nedbank who are willing to employ staff we are unable to deploy internally, and we invest just under half a billion rand per annum on staff training to help ensure the skills of our people remain relevant in a fast-changing world."



## WORLD

## Brexit thrown into chaos after MPs reject PM's fast track plan

LONDON

PRIME Minister Boris Johnson's Brexit plans were thrown into chaos on Tuesday night when the House of Commons rejected his call for a fast-track debate.

Johnson won a massive boost when MPs voted by 329 to 299 to back the Withdrawal Agreement Bill he needs to bring Britain's membership of the European Union to an end.

But minutes later MPs rejected his call for the legislation to be fast tracked through the House of Commons by this Thursday.

After that vote was lost by 322 to 308, Johnson announced he was pausing the bill to enable him to consult with the European Union.

"I must express my disappointment that the House has again voted for delay rather than a timetable that would have guaranteed the UK would have been in a position to leave the EU (European

Union) on Oct 31 with a deal," the prime minister said in response to the vote result.

"We now face further uncertainty and the EU must now make up their minds over how to answer parliament's request for a delay," he said.

"The first consequence is the government must take the only responsible course and accelerate our preparations for a no-deal outcome," said Johnson.

"Our policy remains that we should not delay, that we should leave the EU on Oct 31 and that is what I will say to the EU," he added.

Earlier Tuesday, the prime minister told a parliament debate that he will pull the Brexit bill and push for an election if it is voted down by lawmakers.

Johnson also told MPs he would now step up preparations for a no-deal Brexit.

He did not though mention seeking a snap general election after telling MPs



Britain's Prime Minister Boris Johnson speaks in the House of Commons in London following the debate for the EU Withdrawal Agreement Bill, on Tuesday. AP

earlier that if his plans were blocked he would seek an early vote in the country.

Jeremy Corbyn, leader of the opposition Labour Party, told MPs after the voting: "Tonight the House of Commons has refused to be bounced into debating a hugely significant piece of legislation in just two days with barely any notice and analysis of the economic impact of this bill. The prime minister is the author of his own misfortune."

The speaker of the House of Commons, John Bercow, said that the Withdrawal Agreement Bill, reached by London and Brussels last week, is now "in limbo." The Brexit deal needs to be approved by the British parliament to become legally binding before Britain leaves the European Union.

"Just in case there is any doubt, the technical term for the status of the bill at present is that the bill is in limbo," he said.

Meanwhile, Nigel Farage, leader of the Brexit Party, tweeted in an ironic tone: "Do or die is over, we have now moved on to dying in a ditch. We will

not be leaving the EU on 31st October."

The division list for the program motion showed just five Labour MPs rebelled to support it.

If the British government can force its Brexit bill through parliament in time, the UK could in theory still leave the European Union by the Oct 31 deadline.

Given the latest defeat in parliament, Johnson has little chance of getting Brexit done on Oct 31. He vowed to take his country out of the European Union on Oct 31 with or without a deal.

Former British Prime Minister Theresa May, when in office, tried three times to get her Brexit agreement through the House of Commons, but all her efforts ended in failure.

Also in the debate, the opposition Labour Party accused the government of trying to bounce members of parliament to support the bill. Many lawmakers complained that they were given not enough time to scrutinize the bill.

Xinhua

## Putin considers it possible to double Russia-Africa trade in 4-5 years

SOCHI

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin sees the possibility of doubling the trade between Russia and Africa in 4-5 years, he said at a plenary meeting of the Russia-Africa economic forum yesterday.

"I believe that it is within our power to at least double the volume of trade in the next 4-5 years," Putin said.

"We are now exporting more agricultural products to the markets of third countries than weapons," Putin added. "Weapons reach \$15 bln, and agricultural products have already reached, in my opinion, the mark of \$25 bln.

Therefore, we have very good development potential, there are things to discuss, all this allows us to expect further growth of trade figures," the president said.

According to the Russian leader, the integration processes developing in Africa provide additional opportunities for cooperation.

"We support establishment of close working contacts between the African Union Commission and the Eurasian Economic Commission, which are signing a memorandum of understanding tomorrow," he said.

Putin (pictured) also announced Russia's intention to expand its network of sales offices in Africa, as well as establish new contacts, and support business. According to him, the work of the Coordinating Committee on Economic Cooperation with the African Countries, established under the auspices of the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, has proven itself.

The president said that this structure assists Russian entrepre-



neurs in developing the markets of African countries and helps businesses in implementing new joint investment projects.

"Of course, we will support such

plans at the state level," Putin assured. He cited the concerns of Gazprom and Lukoil, which are implementing oil and gas projects in Africa. Alrosa - a company that develops diamond deposits, and Yandex, which helps African states solve information security issues and develop a digital economy.

Putin also added that Rosatom was ready to offer African partners a "ready-to-operate" nuclear industry and construction of research centers based on multipurpose reactors.

Putin added that creation of an industrial zone is being completed in Egypt - a large platform in the economic zone of the Suez Canal, where Russian companies will be able to localize their production and capacities.

On October 23-24, the resort city of Sochi is hosting the Russia-

Africa Summit, co-chaired by Russian President Vladimir Putin and Egypt's head of state Abdel Fattah el-Sisi.

The leaders of all 54 African countries have been invited to come, and at least 40 of them have already confirmed their participation.

Eight major African integration associations and organizations are also involved in the event. On the summit's sidelines, an economic forum is taking place, which will be attended by the continent's heads of state, and representatives of the business community and government agencies.

The Roscongress Foundation is the organizer of the event, and TASS is the official photo host agency of the summit and economic forum.

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## US defense secretary in Iraq to discuss troops leaving Syria

BAGHDAD

US Defense Secretary Mark Esper arrived in Baghdad yesterday as chaos swirled along the Turkey-Syria border and Iraqi leaders chafed over reports that the US may want to increase the number of troops based in Iraq, at least temporarily.

Esper's meetings yesterday at the Iraqi Defense Ministry came a day after Iraq's military said American troops leaving northeastern Syria don't have permission to stay in Iraq.

The Iraqi statement appeared to contradict Esper (pictured), who has said that all US troops leaving Syria will go to western Iraq and that the military would continue

to conduct operations against the Islamic State group to prevent its resurgence in the region.

He later added that the troops would be there temporarily until they are able to go home, but no time period has been set. Esper said yesterday that the US has no plans to leave those troops in Iraq "interminably" and that he plans to talk with Iraqi leaders about the matter.

Meanwhile, Russia and Turkey reached an agreement on Tuesday that would deploy their forces along nearly the entire northeastern border to fill the void left after President Donald Trump's abrupt withdrawal of US forces from the area, a move that essentially cleared the way for the Turkish invasion



earlier this month.

It was unclear yesterday what that means for US forces.

Trump ordered the bulk of the approximately 1,000 US troops in Syria to withdraw after Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan stated in a phone call that his forces were about to invade Syria to push back Syrian Kurdish fighters whom Ankara considers terrorists.

The pullout largely abandons the Kurdish allies who have fought the

Islamic State group alongside US troops for several years. Between 200 and 300 US troops will remain at the southern Syrian outpost of Al-Tanf.

Esper said the troops going into Iraq would have two missions, one to help defend Iraq against a resurgence of Islamic State militants and another to monitor and perform a counter-IS mission.

The US currently has more than 5,000 American forces in Iraq, under an agreement between the two countries. The US pulled its troops out of Iraq in 2011 when combat operations there ended, but they went back in after the Islamic State group began to take over large swaths of the country in 2014.

The number of American forces in Iraq has remained small due to political sensitivities in the country, after years of what some Iraqis consider US occupation during the war that began in 2003. Iraqi leaders may privately condone more US forces to battle IS, but worry if it's widely known that there will be backlash from the citizens.

US troops in Syria fought for five years alongside Kurdish-led forces in northeast Syria and succeeded in bringing down the rule of IS militants - at the cost of thousands of Kurdish fighters' lives. Under the new agreement, much of that territory would be handed over to US rivals.

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## Shanxi's energy transformation for shared future

ONCE China's coal-producing hub and thus a heavily polluted area, Shanxi province, the country's first pilot province for comprehensive energy reform, has announced its goal to become a pioneer in China's energy revolution, as well as turning itself into a landmark in opening up among China's inland provinces.



"The coal Shanxi produced was once used to ignite half of China's lights. Currently, we are reducing our reliance on fossil fuels, turning our province from the country's 'coal leader' to its 'energy revolution pioneer,'" said Luo Huining, secretary of the Shanxi Provincial Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC), during a press conference held at the State Council Information Office recently.

Shanxi is China's second-largest coal producer after Inner Mongolia. Since the 18th CPC National Congress, local governments have used the idea of ecological civilization as a guide for economic and social development, affirming that environmental protection is of utmost importance, even at the expense of GDP.

"When people talk about Shanxi, many of them still believe that the province is dirty and polluted. But through continuous efforts, we have managed to carry out energy reform, using clean energy instead of coal, and the environment has improved," said Luo (pictured).

In 2018, the emissions of chemical oxygen demand, ammonia nitrogen, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides were 340,400 tons, 43,500 tons, 896,000 tons and 794,000 tons, respectively, down 30.47 percent, 26.39 percent, 35.95 percent and 38.26 percent from 2011. Taiyuan, Shanxi's capital, has become the world's first city where all taxis are electric vehicles.

According to Luo, Shanxi will make breakthroughs in energy technology, deepen reform of its energy system and expand foreign competition in its energy market to lead the national energy revolution.

In addition to energy reform, the inland province is also making great efforts to further open up to both domestic and foreign investment with favorable policies and governmental support.

"Living in an era of globalization and advanced information technology, opening up is no longer the privilege of coastal provinces. Inland provinces can also seize the chance to become the new high ground opening to the world," said Luo.

With the regional advantage of linking multiple regions, Shanxi is actively integrated into economic programs including the Belt and Road Initiative and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, aiming to build a landmark of opening-up for inland regions. Fifty China-Europe (Central Asia) cargo trains have been launched, while business registration and license applications of foreign-funded enterprises can now be handled in one go.

The province has also made an effort to invest in foreign lands. For instance, the Jinfei Economic and Trade Cooperation Zone, a smart city focusing on the financial sector developed by Shanxi in Mauritius, has now attracted over 40 enterprises from over 10 countries.

"From January to July, Shanxi has initiated 1,476 investment programs, with an estimated investment volume of 910.9 billion yuan, and now 919 programs have already started. One hundred eighty countries and regions are now trading with us," said Luo.

"Shanxi will further open up to the world, and we will take more steps to ensure that," he added. **People's Daily**

## 'Lack of funding leaves millions of children in conflict zones at risk'

UNITED NATIONS

MILLIONS of children living in areas affected by conflict and disaster are at risk because of substantial shortages in funding for lifesaving humanitarian programs, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) said on Tuesday.

Stephane Dujarric, spokesman for UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, said that UNICEF has received only about half of 4.16 billion U.S. dollars needed to meet the basic health, education, nutrition and protection needs of 41 million children in 59 countries so far this year.

Heading into the final quarter of 2019, the funding gap stands at 46 percent, according to UNICEF.

Emergencies with the largest funding gaps include Pakistan, Cameroon, Burkina Faso and Venezuela. Large-scale emergencies in Syria, Yemen, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Bangladesh also remain significantly underfunded, said the press release. **Xinhua**

## Israel faces uncertain future as Netanyahu fails to form unity govt

JERUSALEM

A MONTH after Israel's second general election in a year, the incumbent Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced on Monday evening that he is unable to form a coalition.

Consequently, President Reuven Rivlin on Tuesday tasked opposition leader Benny Gantz, Netanyahu's main rival to form a governing coalition.

The leader of the centrist Blue and White party will have 28 days to form a government, although his chances of success are also slim.

This may lead Israel into further political uncertainty, raising the probability for a third election within this

year. In a video statement released by Netanyahu (pictured), the Prime Minister said he had tried to create a unity government together with Gantz's Blue and White party.

"I made every effort to bring Gantz to the government, but he repeatedly declined," said Netanyahu.

Netanyahu's failure is the second one this year. After the first general election in April, he failed in organizing a government which led Israel to another election.

In addition to his political woe, Netanyahu is under the threat of corruption charges which will be judged in the coming weeks. Gantz's party has said it refuses to sit in a government with a party led by a politician under

such suspicions.

"There will be many attempts now to form a coalition, and many of them will be quiet and behind the scenes," said Yossi Schein, a professor of the Political Science Department at Tel Aviv University, adding "this is a time of great tension."

Netanyahu is Israel's longest-serving prime minister. His failure to form a government for the second time in a row makes Gantz the first-ever Israeli politician after Netanyahu to try to form a government in the last decade.

As a former military chief of staff, Gantz seems to be less experienced than Netanyahu with regard to politics. "It is time for action."

Blue and White party is determined



to form a liberal unity government led by Benny Gantz," read a statement on the Twitter account of the party. Gantz has 28 days to form a government and the odds are stacked against him.

Gaining support of at least 61 parliament members out of the total 120 is essential to form a government. But currently he has only 54 votes.

As many parties have to align with

each other for Gantz to form a government, scenarios seem currently unlikely. But Israeli politics is unpredictable. "Chances of forming a unity government at this point look very slim," Schein said. "But it can still happen, as we have witnessed such things in the past."

So far Netanyahu is still considered to be "a political magician" rather than Gantz who has yet to rack up experience in the political field.

The sitting Israeli prime minister only gained 55 votes as he reluctantly returned the mandate to the president. The political deadlock in which Israel has been in for several months now does not appear to be ended. Netanyahu started the coalition negotia-

tions by securing a bloc of parties led by the Likud and members of smaller right-wing religious Jewish parties.

When Gantz says he wants a secular government, it is a signal for Netanyahu to lose his partners, something the latter refuses to do so far. According to Yonatan Freeman from the Department of Political Science at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, this might happen.

"During the Netanyahu-led negotiations, he said Gantz needs to compromise because of very pressing security matters," Freeman told Xinhua. Netanyahu might cite the same reasons in order to justify abandoning the bloc and sitting in the same government with Gantz. **Xinhua**



# Russia warns Syrian Kurdish YPG must pull back or face Turkish army

MOSCOW

RUSSIA warned Syrian Kurdish YPG forces yesterday they face further armed conflict with Turkey if they fail to comply with a Russian-Turkish accord calling for their withdrawal from the entire length of Syria's northeastern border with Turkey.

Moscow's warning came shortly before Russian and Syrian security forces were due to start overseeing the removal of YPG fighters and weapons at least 30 km (19 miles) into Syria, under the deal struck by presidents Vladimir Putin and Tayyip Erdogan.

A complete pullout of the YPG would mark a victory for Erdogan, who launched a cross-border offensive on Oct. 9 to drive the Kurdish militia from the border and create a "safe zone" for the return of Syrian refugees.

The accord, which expands on a U.S.-brokered deal last week, also underlines Putin's dominant influence in Syria and seals the return of his ally President Bashar al-Assad's forces to northeast Syria for the first time in years, by endorsing the deployment of Syrian border guards from noon (0900 GMT) yesterday.

Six days later, Russian and Turkish forces will jointly start to patrol a 10

km strip of land in northeast Syria where U.S. troops for years were deployed along with their former Kurdish allies.

Those changes reflect the dizzying pace of changes in Syria since President Donald Trump announced the withdrawal of U.S. forces from northern Syria earlier this month, shaking up the military balance across a quarter of the country after eight years of conflict.

Kurdish militia commanders have yet to respond to the deal reached in Russia's Black Sea resort of Sochi, and it was not immediately clear how their withdrawal could be enforced.

## RUSSIAN WARNING

A joint Turkish-Russian statement issued after six hours of talks between Putin and Erdogan said they would establish a "joint monitoring and verification mechanism" to oversee implementation of the agreement.

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov was more blunt. If Kurdish forces did not retreat, Syrian border guards and Russian military police would have to fall back. "And remaining Kurdish formations would then fall under the weight of the Turkish army," he said.

In a swipe at Washington, which has called into question how the deal will be guaranteed, Peskov said the



Russian President Vladimir Putin (R) and Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan attend a news conference following their talks in Sochi, Russia on Tuesday. REUTERS

United States had been the closest ally of the Kurdish fighters but had now betrayed them.

"Now they (the Americans) prefer to leave the Kurds at the border and almost force them to fight the Turks," he said in remarks to Russian news agencies.

The Kurdish-led SDF were Washington's main allies in the fight to dismantle Islamic State's self-declared caliphate in Syria. Trump's decision to pull troops out was criticized by U.S. lawmakers, including fellow Re-

publicans, as a betrayal.

In a further sign of growing ties between Ankara and Moscow, which have alarmed the U.S. administration, the head of Russia's defense sales agency was quoted by the Interfax news agency yesterday as saying Moscow could deliver more S-400 missile defense systems to Turkey.

Turkey, a NATO member, has already been frozen out of a program to buy and help produce F-35 jets and faces possible U.S. sanctions for buying the S-400 systems, which

Washington says are incompatible with NATO's defenses and threaten the F-35 if operated near the stealth fighter.

Overnight, Turkey's defense ministry said that the United States had told Ankara the YPG had completed its withdrawal from the area of Turkey's military offensive.

There was no need to initiate another operation outside the current area of operation at this stage, the ministry said, effectively ending a military offensive that began two weeks ago and drew global criticism.

## TURKEY REVIEWS MILITARY PLANS

While Tuesday's deal in Sochi addresses Turkey's call for the YPG to be pushed back from the border, it also means Ankara will have to deepen its security coordination with Damascus after years of hostility between Erdogan and Assad.

Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu said on Wednesday that Turkey has no direct contact with Assad's government, but "there could be contact at the intelligence level, this is natural".

Three Turkish officials told Reuters this week Ankara was already holding covert contacts with Damascus to avert direct conflict in northeast Syria. **Agencies**

# Egypt concerned about Ethiopian PM's alleged hint at military option on resolving Nile dam dispute

CAIRO

EGYPT said on Tuesday it was shocked and "follows up with great concern" the reported statement by Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed that hinted at military option in resolving the dispute over a Nile dam.

In a statement, Egyptian Foreign Ministry said "it was not appropriate" for Ahmed to involve the military option among other choices to solve the dispute with Egypt on Ethiopia's building of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) on the Nile river.

The Ethiopian leader was quoted by press reports as saying on Tuesday that "Some say things about use of force (by Egypt). It should be underlined that no force could stop Ethiopia from building a dam."

"If there is a need to go to war, we could get millions readied. If some could fire a missile, others could use bombs. But that's not in the best interest of all of us," he added.

The Egyptian Foreign Ministry said that Egypt has always advocated negotiations as a way to settle disputes related to the GERD among the three countries, namely Egypt, Ethiopia and Sudan. The statement revealed that Egypt had received an invitation from the U.S. for a meeting of the foreign ministers of the three countries in Washington to discuss the dam dispute. **Xinhua**

ADDIS ABABA

# Kenyan among 3 awarded 1st AU continental prize

THE African Union (AU) on Wednesday awarded three African teachers with the first Continental Teacher Prize for their outstanding performance.

The teachers, namely Augusta Lartey-Young, from Presbyterian Boy's Second-

ary School in Ghana; Erick Ademba, Asumbi Girls School in Kenya, and also Gladys K., from a school in Uganda, have received certificates and 10,000 U.S. dollars each at a ceremony held at the AU Headquarters in Ethiopia's capital Addis Ababa.

They have been awarded for achievements, including among others in quality teaching; encouraging desirable behaviors; engaging in activities and networks that enhance the social and cultural value of learning; and helping students achieve

their long-term career goals, by organizing engagement with relevant agencies and information.

Speaking at the ceremony, Beatrice Njenga, Head of AU Education Division, noted that the Teacher Prize is an important and valuable in-

strument that contributes to the success of Agenda 2063 and continental Education strategy for Africa (CESA) to enhance visibility and status of the teacher in Africa at all levels from early childhood to tertiary levels including TVET, and promote teaching

as a first choice profession.

The AU Teacher Prize will raise the status of the teaching profession and the teacher, and inspire the best possible candidates to join the teaching profession, and it further serve as a catalyst for similar programs at regional and national levels. **Xinhua**

# Support for impeaching Trump soars among independents - poll

NEW YORK

SUPPORT for impeaching U.S. President Donald Trump surged among political independents and rose by three percentage points overall since last week, according to a Reuters/Ipsos poll released on Tuesday.

More Americans also said they disapproved of the president's handling of foreign threats.

The Oct. 18-22 poll showed public opinion continued to shift as Americans digested a flurry of news over the past several weeks stemming from the congressional impeachment inquiry and Trump's decision to pull troops from northern Syria.

Overall, 46% of Americans said they supported impeachment and 40% said they opposed it.

Support for impeachment was relatively steady among Republicans and Democrats over the past week but it surged among independents, a group that includes people who neither identify as Democrats nor Republicans and do not favor either party when they vote.

Among independents, 45% said in the latest poll they supported impeachment and 32% said they opposed it, the strongest level of support recorded in more than a year.

A little more than 1 in 3 independents had said they were in favor of impeachment in more than a dozen previous Reuters/Ipsos polls since June 2018.

Trump leveraged his advantage



President Donald Trump

in support among independents to narrowly win the White House in 2016 and it is expected that he will need them again to be re-elected.

The Reuters/Ipsos poll was conducted after several administration officials backed up portions

of a government whistleblower's report that alleged Trump pressured Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy to investigate one of his main political rivals, former Vice President Joe Biden. The report said Trump linked the probe to the release of foreign aid.

Trump has denied any wrongdoing. He has tried to block administration officials from cooperating with the investigation and this week said he was the victim of a "lynching," a racially charged description that was quickly condemned by many lawmakers.

The president also ordered U.S. troops to withdraw from northern Syria two weeks ago ahead of Turkey's cross-border offensive against the Kurds. The Turkish offensive displaced hundreds of thousands of people and raised concerns that it would allow prisoners from the Islamic State group to escape.

Trump's decision drew a sharp bipartisan rebuke in Congress and the poll shows it may have hurt his standing among rank-and-file Republicans.

Overall, the poll found that Americans were more critical of Trump's handling of U.S. foreign policy and Islamic State than they were in a similar poll in April.

Among Republicans, 73% said they approved of the president's handling of U.S. foreign policy and 75% said they approved of his handling of IS, down 6 points and 8 points respectively from April.

The Reuters/Ipsos poll was conducted online, in English, throughout the United States. It gathered responses from 4,083 adults, including 1,773 Democrats, 1,542 Republicans and 447 independents. It has a credibility interval, a measure of precision, of 5 percentage points. **Agencies**

# Slower growth in China will not affect living standards

By Xie Jun

CHINA'S economy slowed but not so dramatically as to affect people's living standards, experts said, predicting that the domestic economy would further stabilize next year as the impact from the trade war is likely to dwindle.

China's GDP growth slowed to 6.0 percent in the third quarter, hitting a 27-year low, data from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) showed on Friday. In the first three quarters, China's GDP growth averaged at 6.2 percent.

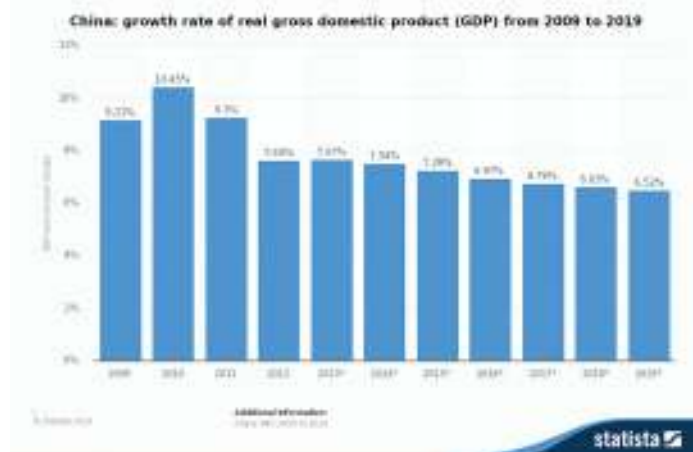
Liu Xuezhong, a senior economist at the Bank of Communications, said that 6.2 percent growth means that China's economy is still expanding, and although a slowdown is taking place, it is not a "hard landing".

"People will hardly feel their ordinary lives being affected during such moderate slowdown," Liu told the Global Times on Sunday.

Statistics that are closely linked to people's living standards also showed no signs of strong fluctuations recently. Chinese residents' per-capita disposable income rose by 6.1 percent year-on-year in the first three quarters in 2019, compared with 6.6 percent one year earlier, NBS data showed.

Meanwhile, China's consumer price index (CPI) increased 3 percent year-on-year in September.

Several white-collar work-



ers interviewed by the Global Times on Sunday also said that they hardly felt their living standards had been negatively influenced by the slowing GDP growth. One said that she felt commodity price has risen faster this year but still in a tolerable range.

"Mainly impacted is the manufacturing sector," Liu said. The slowing domestic GDP growth is triggering pessimistic comments among overseas media.

A Reuters report, for example, said that the downbeat data is fanning expectations that Beijing will need new measures to ward off a sharper slowdown that could drive job losses. A CNN report also stressed that the economic figures are "worse than expected."

Li Chunding, a professor at the College of Economics and Management under the China Agricultural University, told the Global Times that other

countries should realize the double-digit growth era has already passed for China.

"It should be recognized that 6.2 percent is still high growth," he said.

Data released during the 40th International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC) Meeting showed that global economic growth continued to slow down since April and the global economy is expected to grow only 3 percent this year, according to media reports.

Liu predicted that China's economy will stabilize next year with growth possibly slow down further, as the government's proactive policies become more effective.

He also noted that the negative impact of the trade war will also diminish next year. "The US has shown a clear attitude to end the trade war, and the room for further tariff punishment is also limited," he said. **Global Times**

# Chinese FM denounces violence, foreign interference in Hong Kong

PARIS

CHINESE State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi here on Monday slammed the violence and foreign interference in Hong Kong.

In an interview with AFP during his visit to France, Wang reiterated that issues related to Hong Kong are China's internal affairs, and that according to the Charter of the United Nations, no country has the right to determine the internal affairs of any other nation.

Wang (pictured) said one basic fact about Hong Kong is that what is going on in the Chi-

nese city nowadays is in no way peaceful protests, but pure and simple street violence. Some rioters, wearing similar clothes and face masks and holding iron rods and Molotov cocktails, have unscrupulously committed crimes, he added.

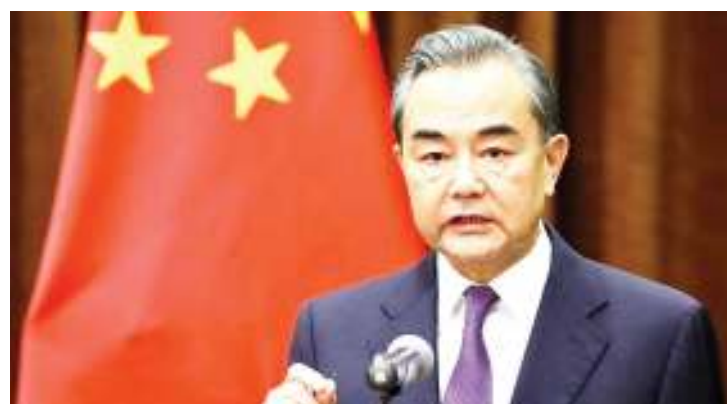
Wang accused the mobs of smashing shops, damaging public facilities, beating up innocent citizens, paralyzing airports and even openly attacking police, threatening their lives. These are crimes and cannot be tolerated in any country or any society, Wang said.

Hong Kong has always been advocating the rule of law, any

action should be conducted within the framework of the law, and any discontent should not be an excuse for violence, Wang said.

He noted that the most significant thing for Hong Kong now is to stop violence, curb disorder, restore order and administer the city by law.

Wang said another basic fact about Hong Kong is that some foreign forces, including some media outlets, turning a blind eye to what is really happening and even calling white black, have called the street violence a pro-democracy move and branded the police deploy-



ment in accordance with law as violence.

Wang said some foreign forces have encouraged and indulged the street crimes so as

to upset Hong Kong, and ruin its prosperity built by generations of hard work and its great historic progress achieved since the implementation of the "one

country, two systems" policy.

These attempts will never and can never succeed, Wang added.

People in Hong Kong will certainly recognize these agendas of the foreign forces, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region government will certainly restore the rule of law, and China's central government will certainly stick to the "one country, two systems" principle according to the constitution and the Basic Law, Wang said.

Wang expressed the hope that people with conscience around the globe will view the situation in Hong Kong objec-

tively and impartially.

The violence in Hong Kong is being imitated elsewhere, for example in Spain's Catalonia, Britain's London, and the streets of Chile, he noted, saying some demonstrators have announced that they would turn their cities into another Hong Kong and imitate the street violence there.

Some even called the violence in Hong Kong "a beautiful landscape," and such remarks made by those people have lost the minimum conscience, Wang said. **Xinhua**





Virat Kohli

## Kohli hails 'multidimensional' India after South Africa romp

NEW DELHI

INDIA have evolved into a "multidimensional" team capable of winning anywhere in the world and irrespective of the nature of pitches, captain Virat Kohli and coach Ravi Shastri said after the side's 3-0 series sweep against South Africa on Tuesday. Kohli and his men won the third test in Ranchi by an innings and 202 runs to complete a whitewash that also consolidated their lead in the World Test Championship race.

It was India's 11th consecutive victory in a home test series and Kohli was particularly pleased how his pace attack, despite missing Jasprit Bumrah, refused to let the spinners hog the limelight.

"To be the best side in the world you need to be multidimensional and all facets of your team have to fire and work properly," Kohli said at the presentation ceremony as he singled out the pacers for special praise.

"Spin was always a strength, batting was never a problem for us. Fast bowling was very good at certain times and then all these young bowlers came ..."

"Batsmen gave confidence to the bowlers, bowlers gave us amazing confidence that even with 300 on board, we're always in in every test match," he said.

Kohli, who led India to their first test series win in Australia earlier this year, said it was

continuation of the same mindset.

"We certainly believe we can win anywhere in the world at the moment. You know, if we believe in ourselves, the way we are at the moment, we can win in England, Australia, South Africa, anywhere and that is the belief that we need to carry."

India have traditionally been formidable at home but struggled abroad, especially on lively surfaces which often defanged their spinners and exposed technical limitations of many of their batsmen.

Shastri said the team was determined to succeed regardless of the nature of the surface.

"Our motto was to take pitches out of the equation - to hell with pitches," the former test player told broadcaster Star Sports in Hindi. "Whether it's Johannesburg or Melbourne or Mumbai, we want to take the pitch out of the equation."

"With the batting line-up we have, if they post big totals and then we have bowlers who can take 20 wickets - we can keep taking those World Championship points we are after."

Rohit Sharma was named man-of-the-series for topping the run-getters' list but Shastri was pleased that there were other heroes too.

"Normally in India, you have two players who hog the limelight. Here we've had six or seven payers," he said. **REUTERS**

## Tigo-SportPesa promotion winners receive prizes

By Guardian Reporter

GAMING firm, SportPesa, in cooperation with telecoms firm Tigo, conducted a draw for getting five winners of a promotion, 'Fidika na Jero', organized by the two firms, in Dar es Salaam yesterday.

The firms as well handed over smartphones to four winners of the last week draw.

The promotion was officially launched in the city on September 20 this year, with the two firms promising to hand over smartphones, Samsung A10s, to winners for 40 days.

A new car Renault Kwid will be won at the promotion's last draw.

SportPesa Tanzania's Chairman of Board of Directors, Tarimba Abbas, disclosed after the fifth week draw: "The promotion is still in progress... we expect to get five winners next week that will bring the promotion to an end, and the car winner."

"We have up to now got winners from various regions, Dar es Salaam, Coast Region, Dodoma,

Iringa, Morogoro, Mbeya, Lindi, Tunduma and Zanzibar."

"I would like to motivate Tanzanians to participate in the promotion with the aim of winning prizes."

"SportPesa have presented Tanzanians with opportunity to change their lives, the car prize is quite meaningful."

"Our games, including Jackpot which lately has over 250m/- in cash prize to be presented to one that will place right bets on 13 matches, can change a person's life."

"Placing bets on various games can help a Tanzanian improve his or her life and help them get cash prize daily."

"I would like to congratulate this week's draw winners, namely Sadick Mihambo, Shazili Sambi from Dar es Salaam, Mussa Hassan from kutoka Mbeya, Chawedi Saidi from Lindi, Mwate Mohammed from Morogoro and Regan Yusto from Zanzibar."



The last week's draw winner of the 'Fidika na Jero' promotion, Khatibu Nurdini Shabani (C), gets a Samsung A10s smartphone from Simba Sports Club information officer and SportPesa ambassador, Haji Manara, in Dar es Salaam yesterday. SportPesa organizes the promotion in cooperation with Tigo. Also in the picture is Tigo Digital Department Head, Ikunda Ngowi. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT

# Azam FC new coach Cioaba needs to fix familiar flaws

By Correspondent Michael Mwebi

ROMANIAN coach, Aristica Cioaba, begins a second spell in charge of Azam Football Club as they were yesterday set to take part in the Vodacom Premier League match against Simba Sports Club at the National Stadium in Dar es Salaam just two days after a surprise return to the side in the wake of the exit of Etienne Ndayiragije.

Ndayiragije, who served as Azam FC head coach and senior national soccer team 'Taifa Stars' interim head coach, opted to leave the Chamazi-based side's hot seat to concentrate on the senior national team job on a permanent basis thus paving way for the return of Cioaba.

The Romanian had first arrived at Chamazi-based outfit in the second half of 2016/17 season after the sacking of Spanish coach Zebe Hernandez.

During that campaign, Azam FC finished third behind champions, Young Africans 'Yanga', and first runners-up Simba.

Azam were undone in the league title race because they registered draw in too many matches.

They won 14, but registered draw in 10, twice as much as Simba and Yanga did the entire season.

Though the damage was done by the time Cioaba was appointed in January, Azam's fortune did not significantly improve after his appointment.

In the 12 league matches he was in charge in the 2016/17 season, he won six, registered draw in four and lost two to finish 16 points behind Yanga and Simba who tied at 68 points. He also suffered a semi-final Federation Cup exit in the hands of Simba.

The club decided to continue with his services as the four-month period he was in charge until the end of the season was not sufficient to judge him. It was a deserved benefit of doubt decision by the club's board of directors.

He had a free hand and the benefit of a pre-season as he began the 2017/18 campaign.



Azam FC head coach, Aristica Cioaba.

As it is the case with his predecessors, Cioaba guided Azam FC to the Mapinduzi Cup title after beating Simba 1-0 in the final.

But that did not stop the club's supporters from expressing dissatisfaction over Cioaba's performance and he was forced to quit before the league ended in early May, 2018. By the time he left he had been in charge of 38 Mainland Tanzania Premier League games.

Azam FC won 19 games, recorded draw in 14 and lost five. For his second spell, Cioaba will have to improve those numbers before fans and critics start thinking the family-run team could have made a better choice this time.

Cioaba exit came after he had

served a three-match ban which happened to be the straw that broke the camel's back. It was the draws rather than defeats that cost him his job in his first spell.

Those draws are still fresh in the minds of Azam followers and it is understandable if they are not too excited about the Romanian comeback.

Perhaps unfairly, Cioaba takes charge of his first game while already desperately needing a win to get into the fans' good books. His first spell at Azam FC did not have a happy ending.

He now knows Azam FC must begin turning draws into victories, starting with their League tie today.

Stats shows, Azam have registered draw in 32 league matches over the

last three seasons in which they failed to mount a credible title challenge.

In contrast, Simba who have won back to back to league titles have recorded draw in 20 matches in the same period.

Even Yanga who have had their share of both on and off the pitch problems in the last three seasons have registered draw in eight less games than Azam.

In a title race draws are seen as defeats and this explains Azam's recent early exit in the title race.

Draws spoiled Cioaba first Chamazi spell, and have continued thwarting Azam since then, he will have to fix these flaws to gain favours with supporters and impress in the league.

## Leonard leads Clippers over LeBron and Lakers 112-102

LOS ANGELES

KAWHI Leonard hit seven straight shots in one stretch, creating a run for the Clippers that his new teammates quickly joined. "It's a great sign of leadership," coach Doc Rivers said. "He talks with his game."

Leonard began a new career chapter Tuesday night, scoring 30 points to go with a strong bench effort in a 112-102 victory over LeBron James and the Lakers in the teams' season opener.

Leonard chose the Clippers because he wanted to come home and his family was on hand. "All those emotions went through me again," he said.

Lou Williams added 21 points and Montrezl Harrell had 17 off the bench when the Clippers began their 50th season overall and 36th in Los Angeles as the once unlikely but now favorites to win the franchise's first NBA championship.

"It's one of 82 (games)," Rivers said. "Next question." Leonard won his second NBA title last season in Toronto.

The Lakers showed off their new 1-2 punch of James and Anthony Davis. Davis scored 25 points, making 9 of 14 free throws, and James had 18.

"For us, we're both aggressive," Davis said. "Sometimes we kind of miss each other. I missed him a couple times and he missed me, so just trying to figure it out."

Danny Green outscored them both with 28 points, including seven 3-pointers, in the highest-scoring debut by a Laker in franchise history. Leonard got it done without his personal recruit Paul George, sidelined indefinitely while rehabbing from a pair of offseason shoulder surgeries. "It's just the first game of the season, so it's going to take the season and mistakes and success to get us on the same page," Leonard said.

Wearing a black tuxedo jacket and bow tie, George received a mixed reaction when introduced in the playoff-like atmosphere at Staples Center, where the Clippers were the home team for the first of four meetings in the arena the teams share.

"Their fans were very loud early and I thought our fans took over from that point on," Rivers said. "It's great for the city."



Los Angeles Clippers' Kawhi Leonard, right, dunks against the Los Angeles Lakers during the first half of an NBA basketball game Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2019, in Los Angeles. (AP Photo)

The Clippers' reserves outscored the Lakers' bench, 60-49. Last season, Williams and Harrell were the NBA's highest-scoring reserve duo, and they picked up where they left off. "This bench is going to be better this year than even last year," Rivers said. It came down to the fourth quarter, and the Clippers dominated.

Tied 85-all, they opened with a 19-7 run to go up 104-92. Five different players scored and Leonard assisted on Maurice Harkless' 3-pointer.

James had three of the Lakers' six turnovers in the fourth, when Harkless and Leonard each blocked shots by Dwight Howard.

"That was just very careless and they capitalized off of it," James said.

With 4 1/2 minutes left, Lakers fans chanted "Let's go, Lakers! Let's go, Lakers!" while others hit the exits.

"The NBA's back and everyone's trying to have the narrative of it's a rivalry game and it's a huge test," James said, "but I think both teams are not where they want to be. We have a lot of room to improve."

The Lakers erased a 14-point deficit in the third, led by James' 18 points. He capped a 15-0 run with his fifth 3-pointer before JaMychal Green's 3-pointer pulled the Clippers into an 85-all tie heading into the fourth.

The Clippers outscored the Lakers 40-29 in the second quarter, buoyed by 16 points from Leonard. He made seven straight shots on a variety of moves - pullups,

fadeaways, a cutting dunk.

The Lakers raced to a 13-2 lead, their largest of the game. James scored over Leonard and he later heard "MVP! MVP!" chants while sinking his first free throws of the season.

The Lakers shot 53% from the floor in the first quarter, while the Clippers missed shots and had a basket by Williams taken away when the Lakers challenged a foul call on Howard.

The rivalry was on early with a male fan shouting "Go Lakers!" during the national anthem, drawing big cheers while Clipper fans bood.

"It was everything I expected," Davis said. "Very anticipated game and it was fun." **AP**



## Ronaldo asks US court to dismiss rape case or OK mediation

LAS VEGAS

CRISTIANO Ronaldo's lawyers have filed court documents asking a U.S. judge in Las Vegas to either dismiss a Nevada woman's lawsuit alleging the soccer star raped her in 2009, or to order closed-door settlement talks.

Attorneys representing Ronaldo's accuser, Kathryn Mayorga, did not immediately respond Tuesday to telephone, email and text messages seeking comment about the two recent court filings about her lawsuit stemming from a 2010 confidentiality agreement and \$375,000 hush-money payment.

The Associated Press generally does not name people who say they have been victims of sexual assault, but Mayorga gave consent to be named through her lawyers, Leslie Mark Stovall and Larissa Drohobycz. Ronaldo's lawyer in Las Vegas, Peter Christiansen, declined to comment about the documents he filed Oct. 14.

"Mr. Ronaldo has always maintained that this was a consensual encounter," said the filing seeking dismissal of the case.

A companion document also filed Oct. 14 in U.S. District court asks the

judge to order out-of-court talks to settle the lawsuit.

Mayorga alleges conspiracy, defamation, breach of contract, coercion and fraud. Her lawyers want to void the 2010 deal and collect at least \$200,000 more from Ronaldo. They acknowledge Mayorga received \$375,000 in 2010. The court has kept the original agreement sealed.

Mayorga's lawyers maintain she didn't break the confidentiality pledge. They accuse Ronaldo or his associates of allowing reports of it to appear in European publications in 2017. The soccer star's lawyers have said the information was among electronic data hacked, stolen and sold by cybercriminals, and that Mayorga's lawsuit is being used to damage Ronaldo's reputation.

Mayorga's lawsuit said she met Ronaldo at a nightclub and went with him and other people to his suite at the Palms Hotel and Casino, where he assaulted her in a bedroom.

Las Vegas police last year reinvestigated the rape allegation, but no criminal charge was filed. The local elected prosecutor said there was not enough evidence to take the 10-year-old case to trial.

AP

## Sterling one of the top five players in the world - Ferdinand

LONDON

FORMER Manchester United defender Rio Ferdinand believes Raheem Sterling is among the five best players in the world right now.

The 24-year-old scored his first Champions League hat-trick on Tuesday in Manchester City's 5-1 win over Atalanta, which continued their perfect start to their European campaign.

Sterling has also already netted six goals in the Premier League this season with Ferdinand under no doubt that he belongs among the best based on current form.

"We are running out of great words to say about him," Ferdinand said on BT Sport.

"He is a young English player who has played a lot of games. He is still improving and adding more to his game. He has a striker's nose to get into certain areas.

"He is in the top five players in the world now. Definitely! I don't care who you mention. The effect he is having, the goals he is scoring, it is impossible to keep him out."

The English attacker has become a reliable outlet under the guidance

of City manager Pep Guardiola and Ferdinand believes the Spaniard has been key to Sterling's development.

"Sometimes you are blessed to get a manager to learn from," he said. "Pep Guardiola coming at the time he did, to coach this young player with immense potential."

Guardiola however was quick to deflect any role he's played in Sterling's rise and stressed he has the potential to become even better.

"The credit is just for him. All of the credit. He can be better but he is perfect," Guardiola said post-match.

"His physicality, he is strong, he could play a game the day after a game, his regeneration is so strong. He is an extraordinary player."

"He can play both sides, defensively he helps us a lot. He is an incredible player. It depends on him but he has the desire to do better."

City are now set to play three games in the space of a week with a league clash against Aston Villa on Saturday to be followed by a Carabao Cup encounter with Southampton mid-week before facing off against the Saints again days later on the domestic front.

(Agencies)

## 'Pogba isn't Messi but Man Utd must keep him' - Moyes

LONDON

PAUL Pogba may not be a match winner in the Lionel Messi mould, admits David Moyes, but the Frenchman is considered to be the Red Devils' "best midfield player" and one they need to keep.

Transfer speculation has raged around the World Cup winner for some time now.

A summer of rumours saw him linked with a big-money switch away from Old Trafford, with the likes of Real Madrid and former employers Juventus said to be keen. No deal was done, but exit talk is never far away when it comes to a figure who has polarised opinion since returning to English football in 2016.

Consistency is considered to have been an issue for the 26-year-old, but former United manager Moyes believes such talent should not be allowed the slip net by the Red Devils.

He told talkSPORT: "Pogba is still Manchester United's best midfield player. "He could probably play for any team in the world, certainly in Europe. He'd get a game for any team. "I'm not always sure he's a player who's consistent and makes the difference all the time.

"For the profile he's got, you're hoping he makes the difference. He doesn't always make the differ-

ence, but do I think he should stay at Manchester United? Yes, I do."

Pogba has sat out United's last eight games with a niggling ankle problem, with that injury also preventing him from figuring for his country in the most recent rounds of Euro 2020 qualifiers.

Ole Gunnar Solskjaer is hoping to have an all-action performer back at his disposal in the near future, but it remains to be seen how much longer he will be sidelined for after being spotted using a walking stick during the Red Devils' Premier League clash with Liverpool. Whenever the time comes for him to return to the fold, Moyes believes Pogba should be one of the first names on the teamsheet, even if he is not quite at the level of other talismanic figures in the global game.

The Scot added: "I don't think he wins games like Messi does for Barcelona or [Cristiano] Ronaldo does for Juventus, but I still think he's a really talented player. He's got a lot to give.

"Watching him at his best was when he was at Juventus, he played a little bit further forward, he got nearer the box more often.

"If you were picking the Manchester United team, Pogba would be in their midfield at the moment, that's for sure."

(Agencies)

# Sterling, Mbappe light up Champions League with hat-tricks while Spurs claim key win

PARIS

RAHEEM Sterling and Kylian Mbappe both scored second-half hat-tricks in UEFA Champions League action on Tuesday as Manchester City, Paris Saint-Germain and Tottenham Hotspur all recorded big victories.

Juventus, Real Madrid and Bayern Munich laboured to wins on a night which brought 30 goals in eight games, a third of which were scored by Premier League clubs.

Sterling's three goals came 11 minutes apart in the second half as Pep Guardiola's City thumped Atalanta 5-1 at the Etihad Stadium to maintain their perfect record in Group C.

The Italians had earlier taken the lead from Ruslan Malinovskyi's 28th-minute penalty, but they were soon overrun and remain without a point in their debut Champions League campaign.

Sergio Aguero equalised from a Sterling assist and the Argentine scored a penalty to put City ahead before the break. Sterling then took over, although City finished with 10 men as Phil Foden was sent off late on.

"I should have had four. Riyad Mahrez put me through and I was looking to put one on a plate for him. But I went through and should have finished it," Sterling admitted to BT Sport.

City's will seal a place in the last 16 if they win away to Atalanta next, as nearest rivals Shakhtar Donetsk and Dinamo Zagreb played out a 2-2 draw in Ukraine earlier.

Yevhen Konoplyanka and Brazilian substitute Dodo netted for Shakhtar, with Dinamo's goals coming in between from Dani Olmo and a Mislav Orsic penalty.

Compared to Sterling, Mbappe took a sluggish 22 minutes to score his three goals in PSG's 5-0 romp away to former European Cup runners-up Club Brugge in Belgium in Group A.

Mauro Icardi scored twice for the French champions, who were without the injured Neymar but had Angel Di Maria in exceptional form -- the Argentine set up four goals.

According to sports statisticians Opta, the last player to come off the bench and score a hat-trick in the Champions League was Spaniard Joseba Llorente for Villarreal in 2008.



Manchester City's Raheem Sterling destroyed Atalanta with a hat-trick (AFP Photo)

"I wanted to start and I thought I was going to start, but the coach made his choice and I had to accept it. I also wanted to show that it's difficult to get by without me," Mbappe told French broadcaster RMC Sport. PSG have a maximum nine points, are yet to concede a goal in Europe this season and will be through to the last 16 with a win at home to Club next month.

Real edge Galatasaray - Below them, Real Madrid are up to second after claiming their first win in Europe this season. Eden Hazard set up Toni Kroos for a first-half strike that handed them a 1-0 victory over Galatasaray in Istanbul.

Meanwhile, there was a welcome win for Mauricio Pochettino's Tottenham, who crushed Red Star Belgrade 5-0 in north London, three weeks on from their 7-2 humiliation at the hands of Bayern Munich at the same venue.

Captain Harry Kane scored twice for Spurs either side of a Son Heung-min brace and an Erik Lamela goal as they moved up to second place in Group B on four points.

"We know we have had a tough run of results and that was the perfect way to respond," said Kane.

Lewandowski fires Bayern to victory - They remain five points behind group leaders Bayern Munich, for whom Robert Lewandowski bagged two in a 3-2 win at Olympiakos that maintained their perfect record.

The Pole has 18 goals this season and 58 career Champions League goals -- only Cristiano Ronaldo, Lionel Messi, Raul and Karim Benzema have more.

Youssef El Arabi gave Olympiakos the lead, but Lewandowski's brace either side of half-time changed the game and Corentin Tolisso fired in a magnificent third before Guilherme pulled one back.

In Turin, Juventus needed a late Paulo Dybala pair to come from behind and beat Lokomotiv Moscow 2-1 in Group D.

Aleksei Miranchuk gave the Russians the lead on the half-hour and it took a stunning strike by Dybala to bring the Italian champions back level with 13 minutes left.

Moments later the same player scored from the follow-up after Alex Sandro's shot was saved.

Juve are level atop Group D on seven points with Atletico Madrid, who edged out Bayer Leverkusen 1-0 thanks to Alvaro Morata's 78th-minute header.

Meanwhile, Raheem Sterling admitted he wasn't satisfied despite scoring a superb hat-trick to complete Manchester City's 5-1 demolition of Atalanta in the Champions League on Tuesday.

Sterling hit an 11-minute treble in the second half at the Etihad Stadium after providing the assists for Sergio Aguero's brace before the interval.

That still was not enough to send the England winger home happy as he claimed he was frustrated not to have scored another.

"I should have had four. Riyad Mahrez put me through and I was looking to put one on a plate for him. But I went through and should have finished it," Sterling told BT Sport.

Atalanta had snatched a shock lead before Sterling's sublime show hauled City to their third successive Group C win.

Sterling was pleased with the way Pep Guardiola's side kept their patience in the face of Atalanta's intense pressing early on.

"It was difficult with them going man for man, it was tough to get space. But we had to stay patient, wait for a chance and take them when they came," Sterling.

City defender Stones, on as a first half substitute for the injured Rodri, revealed his side had reaped the rewards of doing their homework.

"We came up against a difficult team. I'm not sure the English fans know about Atalanta really and we did our research this week on them," he said.

"We got a good goal at a good time which put us back in the game and then the lads did the rest."

AFP

## Wenger at 70: Arsenal icon is ready to get back into soccer

By Julien Laurens, ESPN Correspondent

ARSENE Wenger has never been big on milestones and birthdays. For more than half of his life, his "big day" has been every single day -- preparing his team on the training pitch for a match.

On Tuesday, he turns 70, and for the second year in a row, he will have no training session to set up, no team talk to prepare and no interviews or news conferences to deliver. He will wake up with the whole day ahead of him, perhaps spending time with his ex-wife and companion, Annie, and their daughter, Lea, or close friends like David Dein. But he'll be comforted by the fact that there is indeed football on television that evening.

Wenger recently gave people insight regarding his "new" life, the one far removed from the daily grind of life in charge at Arsenal. "When I wake up, the first thing that comes to my head is, 'Is there an interesting game tonight on TV?' If that's the case, my day is OK," he told the 1,000 guests gathered at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London two weeks ago to see him receive the Legend of Football award, given by the Nordoff Robbins music therapy charity.

Tuesday is a Champions League matchday, so he will be happy. He hasn't missed many football games since leaving Arsenal in May 2018 after over 22 years in charge. Four weeks ago, as he prepared to board a Eurostar from London to Paris, he was eager to discuss Paris Saint-Germain's 3-0 win over Real Madrid the night before and highlight how impressed he had been by the PSG midfielders, Marco Verratti, Marquinhos and Idrissa Gueye.

In the same conversation, he wondered what kind of team Unai Emery would field in Arsenal's upcoming Europa League fixture against Eintracht Frankfurt. Will he rotate? Will he play the kids? When you speak to him, Arsenal is never far from his thoughts. He still affectionately refers to the Gunners as "we" when talking about his former club.

Despite offers from Premier League clubs and interest from Lyon and some national federations, Wenger has yet to return to the Emirates as either a guest or the opposition. He still follows Arsenal games, catches them on television as much as possible -- including Monday night's 1-0 defeat at Sheffield United -- but his return has not yet happened.

It's not that the club doesn't want him there or that he doesn't want to go. It's just too early, perhaps, even though there are no hard feelings toward the club that has defined his career in football.

"I will always love Arsenal," he said at the awards dinner in his honour. Seemingly happy to be in the company of many of his former players and colleagues, he had nice words for many of them. Even though most of his trusted staff left when he did, Wenger is still in touch with current club employees.

In an interview with Bild last year, Wenger



Arsene Wenger has remained active in soccer since leaving Arsenal in 2018 but is hoping to get back into the game properly, and soon. (Agencies)

thought he would be back on a bench on Jan. 1, 2019. But as much as he misses the relationship with the players, the tactical aspects of the game and the thrill of being on the training pitch every day, he also doesn't want to rush anything.

Perhaps the birthday present he's looking for is something more challenging that

aligns to the values he holds so dear. In his closing remarks when he accepted his award, in his inimitable way he remarked: "You cannot always come first and you cannot always win, but you can never come second to your values."

While Wenger awaits a new bench and a revised daily routine, he will shortly be an-

nounced as FIFA's new technical director where his values, voice and opinions will be respected and heard. He has plenty of ideas on how to improve football. He always has.

In the meantime, he'll continue to travel to Qatar, where he is a pundit for beIN Sport, and to France for consulting opportunities where he can put his knowledge and experience to great use. Earlier this year, he even dribbled past Zinedine Zidane, 24 years his junior, in a charity match.

As he turns 70, Wenger's contribution to the game shows no signs of slowing down. It's just taking different forms, like advising and mentoring. Most recently, he went to Istanbul and enjoyed dinner with Damien Comolli, his former collaborator and protege turned Fenerbahce sporting director.

There are plenty of people who are enjoying his counsel and company now he is no longer tied to a fixture list and rigorous training schedules.

He also has a chance to stop and reflect and is already working on his first official autobiography, "My Life in Red and White," which will be published next year in France and in the UK.

Since leaving Arsenal, Wenger looks refreshed. He's younger and fitter than ever -- nothing like a 70-year-old man who has weathered the storm of being a Premier League manager over two decades in which the game experienced profound, transformative change. He has plenty of energy and vigour, more ideas and ambition than ever. He is eager to come back to management.

Perhaps the birthday present he's been waiting for will come this year.

Gwiji by David Chikoko





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**Sterling, Mbappe light up Champions League with hat-tricks while Spurs claim**

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Minister for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elders and Children, Ummu Mwalimu, dances with Waluguru Original band's members after she launched national measles vaccination campaign at Jamhuri Stadium in Morogoro last weekend. Over 100 delegates from the ministry, and World Health Organization (WHO) were invited to the event. PHOTO: MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA

## No quick fix for struggling South Africa Test team - Du Plessis

CAPE TOWN

THERE is no quick fix for South Africa's ailing Test team in the wake of their demoralizing series white-wash in India, captain Faf du Plessis said, as retirements, defections abroad and an under-performing domestic scene drag them into mediocrity.

South Africa were thrashed in all three matches and look a shadow of the side that beat Australia in a contentious home Test series just 18 months ago, where their ability to dig in and compete with bat and ball was a big factor.

South Africa have now lost five Tests in a row, including two shock home losses to Sri Lanka, and are struggling with on-field know-how to dig themselves out of tough situations.

Du Plessis is one of the last remaining players from the side that was ranked number one in Tests as recently as 2015.

He admits their lack of succession planning to replace the likes retired batsmen Graeme Smith, AB de Villiers and Hashim Amla, and fast bowlers Morne Morkel and Dale Steyn, is now biting hard.

"If you look back three or four years and someone had the vision of saying that in three or four years' time there will be a lot of experienced guys who could retire, what do you do to make sure you get yourself ready for when that time comes?" Du Plessis said to reporters.

"Possibly we are guilty for not planning for all of these guys going at the same time," he said.

"We could have been a little bit smarter in the planning phase and the phasing out of the great players."

**KOLPAK CALAMITY**  
It is not only retirements that have stung. The loss of fast bowlers Duane Olivier and Kyle Abbott, batsman Rilee Rossouw and spinner Simon Harmer, among others, to so-called Kolpak contracts to play in England that prevent them playing for the national team has also been a blow.

"We are losing our experience in international cricket, but we are also losing our experience in domestic cricket," Du Plessis said.

"Your top players domestically are going overseas, so you are missing out on a lot of your best players, a talent pool that is all of a sudden a lot smaller."

"And the gap between domestic cricket and international cricket - there needs to be things put in place to make sure you can address that a little bit better."

Du Plessis admits South Africa have had to rebuild from scratch, and with a four-test home series against England looming in December and January, they are in a vulnerable place.

"It's a tough place to start, right at the beginning. Obviously, in a perfect world, you will start somewhere in the middle, change one or two players and



Arusha Gymkhana Club's junior tennis player battles it out in a recent competition which took place at the club.

## Arusha, Kilimanjaro tennis players excel in Jubilee junior tournament

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

THE national junior tennis tournament, which was held at the Arusha Gymkhana Club last weekend, has ended with the host team leading in most of the set categories.

Sponsored by Jubilee Tyres, the two-day junior tennis competition held here, featured 70 teams from Arusha, Morogoro, Kilimanjaro and Dar es Salaam.

The squads were made of players between six and 18 years of age.

Kanuti Alagwa from Arusha Gymkhana Club was the U-18 category winner in the boys group, while John Kimaro from the Rafiki Foundation of Kilimanjaro became the category runner-up.

Esther Nankulange, one of prominent do-

mestic female tennis players and a member of Arusha Gymkhana Club squad, topped the girls' category for the U-18 fixture.

In the second position entered Victoria Ndosu, again from Rafiki Foundation of Kilimanjaro.

For the U-14 category, Ramadhan from Arusha Gymkhana Club, again, topped the pack, followed by Isaka Ndosu coincidentally also from Rafiki Foundation of Kilimanjaro.

Naitoti Sing'o from Rafiki Foundation topped the U-14 girls' category. There was also the U-12 category of the tennis meet, the boys' category was topped by Rashid Mfaume from Morogoro Gymkhana tennis team, and the girls' group was topped by Nasha Sing'o of Rafiki Foundation of Kilimanjaro.

For the U-10 boys' slotting it was Freddy Ongige of Arusha Gymkhana Club who led the pack, while Ruki Mushi from Rafiki Foundation again sailed high.

The U-6 tennis fixture for the boys was topped by Amir Jackson of Arusha International Conference Center (AICC) Club of Kijenge, Arusha, while Janet Bahati of Arusha Gymkhana Club led the girls' teams.

Goodluck Mollé, Arusha Gymkhana Club's tennis coach, was of a view that tennis as a sport was slowly but surely growing, especially among young people, indicating promising future for youth tennis in the country.

"But there is a problem, we still experience low response among girls and we hope that during the next December tournament more female players will turn up," he disclosed.

## Minister salutes Moro music band

By Correspondent Michael Sikapundwa, Morogoro

MINISTER for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elders and Children, Ummu Mwalimu, has congratulated Morogoro music band, Waluguru Original, for producing a song aiming at encouraging measles vaccination.

Ummu was the guest of honour at the launch of a five-day campaign, which targets to sensitize people on measles vaccination, at Jamhuri Stadium in the region last weekend.

The campaign commenced on October 17 and came to an end on October 21. The vaccination is worth over 10bn/-.

She said the song is an effective means for sending message to remote communities and other people with negative perception on the campaign.

Ummu noted she was impressed with the song's verses which identify the disease's symptoms, running nose, red eyes, sore throat, tiny white bumps on a person's mouth and rashes, which usually start at the hairline and spread to the neck.

"With such culture groups like Waluguru playing part in the campaign, it is hoped the community will look for vaccination," she disclosed.

"Fortunately, data shows the decrease in the number of children's deaths from 1000 to 54 in 2015, while in 2005 there were 114 deaths out of 1000 children, according to national bureau of statistics."

According to Morogoro Municipal medical officer, Zulu Ikaji, the vaccination will keep on taking place.

The official disclosed services will be available at public offices, religious centers and mobile centers in an effort to reach remote communities.

"Our government has set out to vaccinate residents after either every four years or five years and the decrease in measles-related deaths has almost reached 90 compared to the time before the vaccination," he disclosed.

## Flexibles by David Chikoko



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