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# India reaffirms 1trn/- water sector projects

## Drugs: Govt vows robust hit on abuse, networking

**By Guardian Correspondent**

THE Drug Control and Enforcement Authority (DCEA) has vowed to contain the spread of drug abuse and distribution in the country.

Aretas Lyimo, the commissioner general, said at the DCEA booth for the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair (DITF) that eliminating drugs helps to facilitate economic growth.

Theo agency intends to launch an operation in search of drug networks and provide public education on the effects of drugs to society and economy, he told media and other visitors at the booth.

He said the commission has realised that most youth enter into drug abuse to get quick money "while others think they will read more and pass examinations."

"Our work is to ensure that we educate young people so that they don't get carried away with this misguided information," he stated, explaining that the agency has prepared teaching guidelines, pairing up with some non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to help students overcome pressures leading to being ensnared in drugs.

DCEA has proposed to the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology to include drug abuse in the school curriculum to educate pupils and students on the effects of drug abuse.

The agency has been working with the Ministry of Agriculture to identify areas where khat and marijuana are extensively cultivated, to draw a roadmap for alternative crops.

Regions leading in the production of such drugs are Arusha, Mara, Manyara, Ruvuma, Iringa and Morogoro, he said, referring to agency efforts of reaching out to these regions to provide awareness campaigns.

Participating in the trade fair is intended to inform the general public on the impact of drug abuse, extant laws to combat the habit, due to debilitating side effects to human health.

DCEA wants young people to get the necessary information and the best way to avoid falling into the trap of using drugs, he added.



Dar es Salaam Water and Sanitation Authority (Dawasa) acting CEO Kiula Kingu (L, with microphone) pictured at the weekend briefing Indian External Affairs minister Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar (C, in sunglasses), on water projects implemented in Tanzania with support from India. The minister has just completed an official visit to Tanzania. Related photo on Page 2. Photo: Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

## Samia expected at AU anti-graft meet climax

**By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha**

President Samia Suluhu Hassan is expected to officiate at the climax of the African Anti-Corruption Week conference here tomorrow.

Commissioner of Police Salum Rashid Hamdun, the head of the Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau (PCCB) said here at the weekend that more than 700 delegates are taking part in the event, marking the 20th anniversary of the convention.

African Union member states adopted the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption at the second ordinary session of the AU summit, in the Mozambican capital of Maputo in July 2003.

The convention entered into force three years later upon the deposition of the 15th instrument of ratification, meanwhile as of now, there are 48 countries

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It's pre-departure loading time at Dar es Salaam's Julius Nyerere International Airport for this recently acquired Air Tanzania Company Limited 767-300F cargo plane. Story on Page 13. Photo courtesy of ATCL

By Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

INDIA has reiterated its commitment to cooperate with Tanzania to improve water services provision.

Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, the country's External Affairs minister who wound up a four day visit to Tanzania at the weekend, renewed this commitment when inspecting works at the Kibamba water tank which is part of an extensive number of water projects being constructed with credit from the Indian authorities.

He expressed satisfaction with the project that is expected to benefit upwards of 300,000 thousands of residents in the area.

"We have decided to visit this project as we want to see by ourselves the progress of its implementation since the work started eight years ago," he said, expressing satisfaction with progress in its implementation.

He lauded government efforts made to ensure access to clean water as many people can now access the service, reaffirming that the government of India recognises the importance of water services as a basic and guaranteed need for all the people.

"We congratulate the government for this achievement," he said, while Water minister Jumaa Aweso praised India for the great support it was rendering to improve water services nationwide.

"The Kibamba - Kisarawe project was implemented with India's support and it is now serving alarge number of people. The water tank has a capacity to store six million liters," he said.

Indian government credit had enabled urban and rural water services to be improved significantly and work is ongoing to make sure the targeted goals are achieved, he said.

"Currently, access to water in urban areas has reached 88 percent and 77 percent in rural areas," he said, with Acting DAWASA CEO Kiula Kingu lauding the Indian authorities for the large investments they are making in the country's water projects.

The minister highlighted the need for the Dar es Salaam Water and Sanitation Authority (DAWASA) to expedite the task of connecting people with water services especially in Kibamba.

The Kibamba-Kisarawe water project has been fully implemented at a cost of 10.6bn/- serving upwards of 450,000 residents when Kibamba and Kisarawe districts in Coast Region are grouped together, officials said.

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## Minister sets out fibre optic connectivity at district level

**By Guardian Reporter**

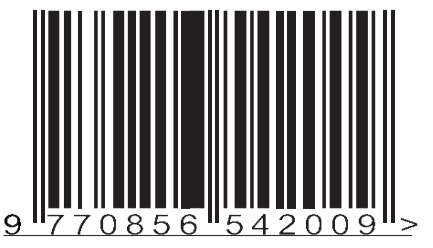
THE government has unveiled ambitious plans to accelerate connectivity through the national fibre optic cable network, known as the National ICT Broadband Backbone (NICTBB).

Nape Nnauye, the Information, Communication, and Information Technology minister, announced this initiative at the SabaSaba ICT forum at the ongoing Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair (DITF) along Kilwa Road.

With a strong commitment to inclusivity, the government aims to extend the national fiber network to every district, ensuring seamless integration of even the remotest corners of the country into the digital era, he stated.

He directed the CEO for the Tanzania Telecommunications Co. Ltd (TTCL) to ensure the successful implementation of this project, underscoring the government's intention to enhance the legal framework, policies and guidelines in this area.

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This will facilitate the growth of the digital economy, he stated, insisting on the need to do away with old regulations and policies that stand out as impediments to the growth of the sector.

"Tanzania must forge ahead in digital economy development; we cannot afford to lag behind. Our laws, policies, regulations and strategies must align with fostering digital economic growth," he declared. Plans are being put to work to establish various platforms like PayPal where they can accelerate digital economy growth, he told ICT sector stakeholders and heads of ministerial institutions.

The government plans to introduce a startup/innovation policy to stimulate the development of digital innovations as a key aspect of the growth of digital outreach, he said.

The sixth phase government under the leadership of President Samia Suluhu Hassan aims at building a digital economy by strengthening infrastructure, formulating favorable policies and regulations in the sector, he said.

Participating in international platforms that support digital economic growth will also be a priority, he said, noting

that Tanzania has a seat at the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) executive council.

Nationwide distribution of fiber optic services to every district is to be achieved in the current fiscal year through TTC, he said, tasking TTCL director-general Peter Ulanga to ensure the completion of fiber optic distribution as planned as the relevant funds have been set aside.

Recent TCRA data indicate that the national network penetration was upwards of 95 per cent at present, with 758 telecommunication towers expected, and capacity boosting for 304 towers in rural areas being underway.

Signing agreements for tower construction witnessed by President Samia Suluhu Hassan on May 13 in the capital, shows the government's determination to foster the digital economy. It represents a significant step forward in Tanzania's technological advancement, leveraging the potential of the digital revolution, to contribute to economic growth in the years to come, the minister noted.

At the trade fair grounds, the minister had an opportunity to tour the ministry's booth as well as other institutions located at 'TEHAMA Village,' officiating at the digital economy forum, where he remarked that Tanzania is slotted at second position in Africa for effective use of ICT services.

## Commissioner cites Kabanga Nickel project a game changer

By Guardian Correspondent, Ngara

A commissioner with the Mining Commission Janet Lekashingo, has cited the Kabanga project as a game changer in the country's mining sector.

Commissioner Lekashingo made this comment during her recent visit to the Kabanga Nickel project in Ngara District, Kagera Region. "Tembo Nickel, Kabanga Nickel project is very important to us as a country, we are starting to extract strategic minerals and this one is a game changer. The best thing about this project is that it will have full benefit to the country," she said.

She also congratulated Tembo Nickel's move to conduct skills mapping to find out the skills gap in the district and thus implement the young graduate programme.

"Employment that projects offer is a license to operate, just as good community rela-

tions. The graduate programme is an excellent addition," she added.

She added: "After the internship, Tembo will be able to absorb whom they need and others will be useful in other projects. The programme will greatly help the project to have a competent workforce for further positive outcomes."

Tembo Nickel occupational health and safety manager, Dr Kudra Said, told the Commissioner that the company has already conducted two skills mapping surveys for Ngara District and designed a training program through the Tembo Nickel training centre.

"It is imperative that we build and get the right skills to operate our refinery and operations. We will be working with partners to develop local skills," he said.

He also said the Tembo Nickel young talent programme which was inaugurated this year has 12 graduates on board where 7,143 candidates applied for the programme.



President Samia Suluhu Hassan pictured with Indian External Affairs minister Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, who is just through an official visit to Tanzania, at State House in Dar es Salaam on Saturday. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

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have so far ratified it.

CP Hamdun said that Tanzania has made major strides in the war against corruption, while Zanzibar Second Vice President Hemed Suleiman Abdulla noted that Tanzania was the first country to endorse the convention, and thus chosen to host the key anniversary.

He said the country's governing authorities will not cease in the efforts to ensure that the country becomes a corruption-free zone, advising that Africa must hatch a single stand in the war against corruption on the continent and work together to achieve the same goal.

Zanzibar hosted the African Anti-Corruption Day at national levels last year, where a major

theme emerged on the role of the youth in fighting corruption, expected to be presented for discussion during the conference, he said.

George Simbachawene, the Constitutional and Legal Affairs minister who was slated to lead the follow-up symposium said the government intend to use the media in the war against corruption.

Delegates went into comparing the anatomy of various anti-corruption bodies in the continent, as the overriding theme for the anniversary is achievements and prospects of the convention, 20 year after. PCCB creation and work method was highlighted as among the country's achievements in the anti-graft campaign.

The anti-graft week kicked

off here with an anti-corruption solidarity walk starting from regional headquarters to the clock-tower, the centre point of the Africa on the still hypothetical Great North Road from Cairo to Cape Town in South Africa. They then back to the Arusha International Conference Center where meetings and symposiums are taking place in the Nyasa Hall, officials noted.



Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa presents a trophy to Azania Bank Limited managing director Esther Mang'anya (L) mid-last week after the bank emerged second overall winner at the ongoing 47th edition of the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

## Uganda hands over base to Somali army as troop withdrawal kicks off

KAMPALA

Ugandan troops under the African Union Transition Mission in Somalia (ATMIS) have handed over one of their Forward Operating Bases (FOB) to the Somalia national army as part of the ongoing efforts for the withdrawal from Somalia.

The UPDF handed over its Forward Operating Base at Albao in Southwest State to the national army on Tuesday.

At the function, Lt Col Steven Kashagama, handed over to the SNA, Capt Mohamed Somali.

Lt. Col. Kashagama expressed confidence in the Somali National Army to secure the population and defend the area against Al-Shabaab.

"We are handing over the security responsibility for Albao and the neighbouring areas

to the Somali security forces. For the time I have been with them, they have shown charisma, energy and resilience. I have no doubt they are ready to secure the population," he said.

The development is part of the ongoing process that will see the African Union Transition Mission in Somalia withdraw 2000 troops by the end of this month in compliance with UN Security Council Resolutions 2628 (22) and 2670 (22) which require ATMIS to gradually transfer security responsibilities to the Somali security forces.

In March last year, the peacekeeping mission in Somalia named AMISOM metamorphosed into the African Union Transition Mission in Somalia (ATMIS).

Consequently, ATMIS was

mandated with stabilising Somalia but also aim at transferring the full responsibilities of national security to the Federal Government of Somalia for the next two years.

Currently, at least four ATMIS Forward Operating Bases previously occupied by the Burundi National Army (three) and UPDF (one) have been handed over to the Somali National Army as part of the transition process that will bring to an end the Africa Union peacekeeping mission which has been in Somalia since 2007.

Uganda was the first country to deploy and has contributed the biggest chunk of troops credited for having at least stabilized Somalia.

The Ugandan troops controlled the largest area in Somalia after being deployed in Sector One in Benadir, (has 16

districts) Banadir, and Lower Shabelle regions having pushed Al-Shabaab militants for over 200km away from Mogadishu city.

The troops led by UPDF have been able to send away Al-Shabaab from key urban centres, creating space for Somali elites to build institutions and a political system.

Whereas troop contributing countries and the African Union sought more funds to keep the mission going, donors as Somali authorized felt the mission's value was waning.

However, counter-insurgency efforts have of late run out steam but on the other hand, Al-Shabaab insurgents have continued to gain ground and carry out attacks.

Another big problem for Somalia has been identified as the country's politics with dis-

putes between the Mogadishu establishment and federal states which undermine the efforts to fight Al-Shabaab.

It also remains to be seen whether the new mission aimed at ensuring capacity for Somali institutions especially the army and police will be successful considering the divisions and weakness among these institutions.

Already, in the past few months, Al-Shabaab has stepped up attacks, especially on troops.

For example on May 26, at about 5 am, the Jihadist group attacked and overrun a UPDF base at Buulo-Mareer along River Shabelle in the Lower Shabelle region killing 54 soldiers, captured others whereas some were left nursing injuries.

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# 'Integrating male-friendly services into healthcare services crucial to curb HIV'

By Correspondent Daniel Semberya

THE government has been urged to incorporate male-friendly services in relevant healthcare policies, guidelines, and strategies at all levels so as to help curb new HIV/Aids cases.

Gender, youth and social inclusion coordinator from USAID 'Afyu Yangu' northern zone, Dr Fredrick Maguhwa made the call in Dar es Salaam over the weekend during policy forum's debate on revitalising Tanzanian men's health: Unlocking the potential of optimal healthcare.

He also underscored the need to advocate for the inclusion of male-friendly services training modules in health curricula.

He said that unlike women, most men and boys in sub-Saharan Africa are not aware of their HIV status, only 45 per cent of men living with HIV are aware of their HIV status.

Dr Maguhwa further noted: "on average, men face a number of health challenges than women and have less access to a wide range of healthcare services such as screening and help lines."

According to him, the number of integrating male-friendly services into existing healthcare services among all ages has declined by 44 per cent from 2010 to 2021; which is 38 per cent among women versus 52 per cent among men.

He highlighted some of the barriers experienced by men to access HIV services as insufficient information about the importance of knowing their status and initiating antiretroviral therapy (ART) early; perceptions among men that clinics are "female" spaces and that "real men" do not get sick or do not participate in health care.

Gender norms also place a disproportionate burden of HIV/AIDS-related care on women. Men generally do not participate as fully as women do in caring for children or for family members with HIV/AIDS.

However, he said that in order to address this issue, the government launched a national test and treatment campaign in June 2018, with a focus on engaging men in HIV counselling, testing, and treatment.

In Tanzania approximately 1.7 million people are living with HIV. Of these individuals, 84 per cent knew their status, and only 82 per cent of persons living with HIV are accessing treatment well below the UNAIDS target of 90 percent, pointing to critical challenges in access and or continuity of treatment that can result in increases in HIV related morbidity and mortality.

Dr Maguhwa also suggested that district/region authorities and other stakeholders incorporate gender initiatives into council budgets to allow sustainability once relevant projects phase out.

"Integrate male friendly environment in existing services (e.g. antenatal clinic, labour and delivery, post-natal care and family planning) to attract more male participation," he said

USAID Afyu Yangu northern zone is designed around client centered approaches to address gaps in HIV, TB and family planning delivery, while continuously building and transferring the capacity of local stakeholders for sustainable and country-led-ownership.

The project goal among others is aimed to improve health status for all Tanzanians. Improve the enabling environment for health service provision, improve availability of quality, integrate health services at the facility level, and increase access to health services at the community level.

The geographical coverage of this five-year project that started in November 2021 include: HIV

(PEPFAR): this is implemented in five regions which are: Arusha, Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Manyara, and Singida.

On TB funds: the project is implemented in six regions: Arusha, Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Manyara, Singida and Tabora.

With regards to family planning (FP funds), the project is implemented in three regions: Arusha, Dodoma and Manyara.

While, COVID-19 funds are for five regions: Arusha, Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Manyara and Singida.

Implementing partners include: The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF), Engender Health, Amref Health Africa, D-tree International, and Match boxology.

Male-friendly services are done in five supported regions, which are Arusha, Dodoma, Manyara, Kilimanjaro, and Singida).

Having 61 facilities all over the

supported regions with 183 male champions and providers, the project was able to reach over 29,964 men in the Singida region. And 69 percent of them were tested for HIV. 2 percent were tested positive among the total tested. 99 percent were enrolled in care and treatment.

On TB services, about 73 percent of all men reached screening for TB. 2.5 percent were presumptive cases of all screened for TB. 52 percent tested positive of all presumptive and all were enrolled to care.

Regarding family planning services, 74 percent were given counseling for FP. 72 percent were given Condoms as duo protection.

Gender based violence (GBV) services, 40 percent of men were screened for GBV. 7 percent were survivors for GBV; all were emotional violence. 54 percent were linked to Post-GBV care services.



Maria Mtui (R), an economist with the Agriculture ministry, briefs National Tea Board director Marry Kipeja at the ongoing 47th edition of the International Trade Fair on Friday on the ministry's role and activities. Photo: Guardian Correspondent



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- ii. He or She should be physically fit, sane mind and of height 5.4ft/ 161cm and above
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- iv. Has ability to speak Kiswahili and English Language fluently; Applicants with more foreign language knowledge like Arabic, French and Chinese will have added advantage.
- v. He or She should be a Tanzanian National.

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Item No	EOI Number	Description	Closing Date
1	CWS/RSC/TZ/KSL/EOI/001/FY23	Pre-qualification of vendors exercise for Tanzania Country office	July 24 <sup>th</sup> 2023

Expression of Interest documents detailing the requirements of the above EOI are available through the link below: - <https://cwsafrica.org/tenders/>

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**Seman Bishagazi, director of Dar es Salaam-based CSO Kipunguni Community Voice Centre, conducts training in the city at the weekend for girls who dropped out of school owing to various challenges on how to combat domestic violence. Sponsoring the sessions is another CSO - Hope 4 Young Girls Tanzania, which empowers young girls to serve as independent and confident leaders who experience life to the fullest. Photo: Correspondent Sabato Kasika**

## Uhuru Torch Race leader launches 999m/- water project

By Guardian Correspondent, Tarime

ABDALLAH Shaib Kaim, the leader of the 2023 national Uhuru Torch race has inspected and officially inaugurated a huge water project at Nyangoto village in Nyamongo Ward, Tarime District in Mara Region whose construction had cost 999m/- from the Community Social responsibility (CST) fund provided by North Mara Gold Mine.

The project's implementation was supervised by the government through RUWASA in Tarime District and already it has started supplying clean and safe piped water to thousands of villagers.

Speaking after inspecting the water infrastructures and documents related to the project, Kaim expressed his satisfaction saying it has met quality standards.

According to Tarime District RUWASA manager, Eng. Malando Nasheku, the project supplies water to 3,737 households via 21 water supplying centres in Nyangoto, Mjini Kati, Matongo and Nyabichume villages which border the North Mara Gold Mine.


For his part, Mara Regional RUWASA manager, Eng. Tuliunumpoki Mwakalukwa told reporters that the project's water source is in the mine area, from where the water is treated after being drawn

from Mara River and pumped to the 300,000-lt water tank.

He said still RUWASA has the responsibility to educate the people in regard to taking care of the project and its infrastructures to enable it benefit many more people for a long time.

He also thanked government officials and North Barrick Gold Mine for their good cooperation accorded to RUWASA in making sure people in the area get water.

The project has reduced water supply inconveniences to the four villages by 85 per cent as for now everyone can be connected to the piped water supply to his home.



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**JOB DESCRIPTION**

<p><b>Job Title:</b> Capacity Building Advisor – 1 Position <b>Department/Unit:</b> Capacity Building and Data Use <b>Location:</b> Dar es salaam <b>Reports to:</b> Capacity Building and Data Use Team Lead</p>	<p><b>Job Title:</b> Capacity Building Advisor – 1 Position <b>Department/Unit:</b> Capacity Building and Data Use <b>Location:</b> Dar es Salaam <b>Reports to:</b> Capacity Building and Data Use Team Lead</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 commodities, e.g., malaria, family planning (FP), HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis (TB) and reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH) as well as essential medicines. In coordination with in-country and development partners, GHSC-TA-TZ assists Government of Tanzania (GOT) 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:**  
The Capacity Building Advisor will work under the technical guidance of the Capacity Building and Data Use Team Lead. S/he will provide technical support on various areas related to human resource capacity building and training on supply chain related issues. The Capacity Building Advisor will be responsible for ensuring supply chain activities related to capacity building of health care professionals are executed as planned. S/he will work closely with Ministries of Health (Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar) and other supply chain stakeholders to strengthen health commodities supply chain systems. The Capacity Building Advisor will cooperate with other work streams within GHSC-TA-TZ.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
Responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Plan, coordinate, and implement activities related to human resource capacity building in supply chain by supporting the GOT and implementation partners; and ensure overall quality of implementation of the activities
- Work closely with GOT and RGOZ counterparts in capacity building activities related to health supply chain such as reviewing training materials, planning and executing trainings, etc
- Work with other portfolios within Capacity Building and Data Use workstream to routinely monitor the status of capacity-building related activities in the project workplan, identifying obstacles to implementation, and develop strategies to address those obstacles
- Support, guide, and serve as a technical resource in direct technical work for implementing supply chain improvement strategies and management approaches related to capacity building
- Work with other project staff to identify resources and/or performance improvement needs to strengthen health commodities logistics systems
- Provide inputs to the project's team to budget for system strengthening and capacity building activities including meetings, trainings, and other activities.
- Ensure all materials and other supporting documents related to the specified technical support are available on the project's shared drive
- Prepare presentations, participate and/or represent the project in stakeholders' meetings
- Complete and submit in a timely fashion written technical and trip reports.
- Ensure timely submissions of all relevant GHSC-TA-TZ deliverables
- Contribute to the preparation of monthly, quarterly and annual reports
- Perform other duties as assigned

**QUALIFICATIONS:**  
Applicants for this position should be Tanzanian nationals or lawful residents who possess the following minimum qualifications:

- A degree in health field / health supply chain management with at least five years' experience in health commodities management
- Experience in working with Tanzania public health supply chain
- Experience in providing capacity building and conversant in adult learning
- Experience in working with various electronic Management Information Systems such as eLMIS, EPICOR10, etc
- Experience in working with Ministries of Health (Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar) structures, PORLAG, Implementing Partners and other NGOs is preferred
- Excellent written and verbal English as well as preparing quality presentations/reports to key stakeholders
- Ability to work as a team as well as work independently
- Previous work experience with USAID-funded projects desirable.
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- Able to travel for an extended period away from the duty station to support technical activities

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- (xviii) Apartment G, 18th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
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- (xx) Apartment G, 21st Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxi) Apartment G, 11th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxii) Apartment G, 10th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxiii) Apartment G, 20th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxiv) Apartment H, 12th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxv) Apartment H, 13th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxvi) Apartment H, 15th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxvii) Apartment H, 19th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxviii) Apartment H, 21st Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio.
- (xxix) Office on the 6th Floor, Plot number 63/27, Upanga Studio
- (xxx) Property with CT No 43366, Plot No 1, 2, 4- 7, Block 'A' Amani Gomvu Area, Temeke Municipality in Dar es Salaam.
- (xxxi) Property with CT No 42079, Plot No 11, Block 'A' at Jangwani Msimbazi Valley in Dar es Salaam.

**B.** Interested bidders (after inspection of the properties if they wish to do so) must send their bids by way of offer to purchase landed property in writing in a sealed envelope with the words "offer for purchase of landed property (Specify the property)" on the top right corner of the envelope and should reach me not later than 4.00 PM 31st July, 2023 through the address provided herein below:-

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# THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA THE MWALIMU NYERERE MEMORIAL ACADEMY



## CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR BASIC TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATE, ORDINARY DIPLOMA, BACHELOR DEGREE AND MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMMES FOR SEPTEMBER INTAKE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024

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PROGRAMMES	DURATION	ENTRY REQUIREMENT
<b>CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES</b>		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Youth Work	1 Year	The minimum entry qualification is four (4) passes at least D grade in any subject excluding religious subjects in a Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE).  OR Possession of at least NVA Level III of relevant trade and completion of O-Level.
• Basic Technician Certificate in Human Resources Management		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Community Development		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Library and Information Management		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Business Administration		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Procurement and Supply		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Information and Communication Technology	1 Year	The minimum entry qualification is four (4) passes at D grade in any subject excluding religious subjects in a Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE). The four passes must include a pass in Basic Mathematics and English Language  OR Possession of at least NVA Level III of relevant trade and completion of O-Level.
• Basic Technician Certificate in Records, Archives and Information Management		
• Basic Technician Certificate in Accountancy	1 Year	The minimum entry qualification is four (4) passes at D grade in any subject excluding religious subjects in a Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE). The four passes must include a pass in Basic Mathematics.  OR Possession of at least NVA Level III of relevant trade and completion of O-Level.
• Basic Technician Certificate in Leadership and Ethics	1 Year	The minimum entry qualification is four (4) passes at D grade in any subject excluding religious subjects in a Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE). The four passes must include passes in English and Kiswahili languages.  OR Possession of at least NVA Level III of relevant trade and completion of O-Level.
<b>DIPLOMA PROGRAMME</b>		
i) Ordinary Diploma in Social Studies	2 Years	Holders of Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE) with at least four (04) relevant passes and Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) with at least one principal pass and one Subsidiary in any subject excluding the religious Subjects.  OR Holders of Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE) with at least four (04) relevant passes (i.e. D grade or higher) including specific subject based on the course; and a relevant Basic Technician Certificate (NTA Level 4) recognized by NACTE or any other relevant one year certificate obtained from any learning institution registered by the Government or recognized by any Government body of the country of study.
ii) Ordinary Diploma in Human Resource Management		
iii) Ordinary Diploma in Gender Issues and Development		
iv) Ordinary Diploma in Library and Information Management		
v) Ordinary Diploma in Community Development		
vi) Ordinary Diploma in Records, Archives and Information Management		
vii) Ordinary Diploma in Leadership and Ethics		
• Ordinary Diploma in Economic Development	2 Years	Holders of Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE) with at least four (04) relevant passes and Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (ACSEE) with at least one principal pass and one Subsidiary in any of the following subjects: Economics, Commerce, Accounts, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Pure Mathematics, Basic Applied Mathematics, Geography and other relevant subjects as per course specifications.  OR Holders of Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE) with at least four (04) relevant passes (i.e. D grade or higher) including specific subject based on the course; and a relevant Basic Technician Certificate (NTA Level 4) recognized by NACTE or any other relevant one year certificate obtained from any learning institution registered by the Government or recognized by any Government body of the country of study.
ix) Ordinary Diploma in Accountancy		
x) Ordinary Diploma in Business Administration		
xi) Ordinary Diploma in Procurement and Supply		
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<b>DEGREE PROGRAMMES</b>		
i) Bachelor Degree in Economics of Development	3 Years	i) <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5) ii) <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: Economics, Accountancy, Commerce, Mathematics, Geography, Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Agriculture and any other Form six related subject and a Certificate of Secondary Education Examination (CSEE) with at least four (4) relevant passes.  OR Diploma in Economics, Economics of Development, Procurement and Supply, Marketing, Accountancy, Financial Administration, Business Administration, Local Government, Accountancy and Finance, Public Sector Finance with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
ii) Bachelor Degree in Gender and Development	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: History, Geography, English, Kiswahili, Biology, Chemistry, Agriculture, Commerce, Accountancy, Economics, Arabic, Food and Nutrition, Physics and any other Form six subject except religious studies.  OR Diploma in Gender Issues and Development, Nursing, Clinical medicine, Police Sciences, Community Development, Human Resource Management, Social Work, International Relations and Diplomacy, Public Administration, Counselling Psychology, Economics and Law with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
iii) Bachelor Degree in Management of Social Development	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: History, Geography, English, Kiswahili, Biology, Chemistry, Agriculture, Commerce, Accountancy, Economics, Arabic, Food and Nutrition, Physics and any other Form six subject except religious studies.  OR Diploma in Social Work, Gender and Development, Community Development, Human Resource Management, Social Studies Record Management, Journalism, International Relations and Diplomacy, Secretarial Studies and Office Management Administration, Performing Arts, Counselling Psychology and Economics with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
iv) Bachelor Degree in Human Resources Management	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: English, History, Kiswahili, Geography, Agriculture, Economics, Commerce, Accounts, Arabic, Food and Nutrition, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and any other form six subject, except religious studies.  OR Diploma in Human Resource Management, Gender and Development, Community Development, Social Studies, Record Management, Social Work, Journalism, International Relations and Diplomacy, Secretarial Studies and Office Management with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
v) Bachelor Degree in Procurement and Supply Chain Management	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: History, Geography, English, Kiswahili, Biology, Chemistry, Agriculture, Commerce, Accountancy, Economics, Arabic, Food and Nutrition, Physics, Advanced Mathematics and any other Form six subject except religious studies.  OR Diploma in Procurement and Supply, Finance and Accountancy, Economics, Economic Development, Economic Planning, Investment Planning and any other related field with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
vi) Bachelor Degree in Leadership and Governance	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme. (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5) The principal passes to be obtained from two of the following subjects: English, History, Kiswahili, Geography, Agriculture, Economics, Commerce, Accounts, Arabic, Food and Nutrition, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and any other form six subjects, except religious studies.  OR Diploma in relevant courses recognized by NACTVET with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 relevant passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
vii) Bachelor Degree of Education in Geography and History	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from Geography and History.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely Geography and History with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
viii) Bachelor Degree of Education in Kiswahili and English Languages	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from Kiswahili and English.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely Kiswahili and English Language with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
ix) Bachelor Degree of Education in Geography and Kiswahili	3 Years	i) <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5) ii) <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from Geography and Kiswahili.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely Geography and Kiswahili with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
x) Bachelor Degree of Education in Geography and English	3 Years	iii) <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5) iv) <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from Geography and English.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely Geography and English with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
xi) Bachelor Degree of Education in History and English	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from History and English.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely History and English with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
xii) Bachelor Degree of Education in History and Kiswahili	3 Years	• <b>Completed A-Level before 2014 and after 2015</b> Two principal passes (D and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2; E=1, S=0.5)  • <b>Completed A-Level in 2014 and 2015</b> Two principal passes (C and above) with a total of 4.0 points from Two subjects defining the admission into the respective programme (where A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1; S=0.5). The principal passes to be obtained from History and Kiswahili.  OR Diploma of Education with two teaching Subjects, namely History and Kiswahili with an average of B or GPA 3.0 and above and 4 passes at 'O' Level (SCEE).
<b>MASTER'S PROGRAMMES</b>		
i) Master in Human Resource Management.	2 Years	Holders of at least second class (2.7 GPA) bachelor degree or advanced diploma in any field(s) of study from recognized institutions of higher learning.  A candidate with PASS Degree/Advanced diploma will also be considered by the Academy upon producing evidence of having obtained an examined postgraduate or professional qualification from approved bodies.  A candidate who holds unclassified degrees should have an average credit of B or above. A candidate holding a degree or advanced diploma whose classification is not easily distinguishable by the Academy shall be required to have his or her qualifications clarified by the Tanzania Commission for Universities (TCU) before being considered for admission.
ii) Master in Leadership, Ethics and Governance.	2 Years	A Holders of at least second class bachelor degree or advanced diploma in any field(s) of study from recognized institutions of higher learning.  A candidate with PASS Degree/Advanced diploma will also be considered by the Academy upon producing evidence of having obtained an examined postgraduate or professional qualification from approved bodies.  A candidate who holds unclassified degrees should have an average credit of B or above. A candidate holding a degree or advanced diploma whose classification is not easily distinguishable by the Academy shall be required to have his or her qualifications clarified by the Tanzania Commission for Universities (TCU) before being considered for admission.

**MODE OF APPLICATION**

- All applications must be through the Academic Record Management System (ARMS) of the Mwalimu Nyerere Memorial Academy (MNMA) available in our website: [www.mnma.ac.tz](http://www.mnma.ac.tz) or visit the Admission Office at the MNMA - Kivukoni Campus in Dar es Salaam, Karume Campus and Pemba Campus in Zanzibar for more assistance.
- Each applicant for Certificate, Diploma and Bachelor Degree Programmes is required to pay an application fee of TShs. 10,000/= for Tanzanian Citizens and US\$ 10 for Non-Tanzanian Citizens. Master Degree applicants shall pay application fee of TShs. 50,000 for Tanzanian Citizens and US\$ 50 for Non-Tanzanian Citizens.

NOTE: All payments should be through Government Electronic Payment Gateway (GePG) which can be found on ARMS from the Academy's website.

For more information please contact: <b>Reactor</b> The Mwalimu Nyerere Memorial Academy, P.O. Box 9193, Dar es Salaam	<b>Fax No: (022) 2820816</b> <b>Email: <a href="mailto:rector@mnma.ac.tz">rector@mnma.ac.tz</a></b> <b>admission@mnma.ac.tz</b> <b>Website: <a href="http://www.mnma.ac.tz">www.mnma.ac.tz</a></b>	<b>OR Call the Following Numbers:</b> <b>Kivukoni Campus: (022) 2820041/ 2820047</b> 0736659965 0782747773 0736659966 0756460062	<b>0622523398</b> 0769666720 0629983488 0712176450	<b>0756176995</b> 0763581025 0744472751	<b>Karume Campus: (024)2250315</b> 0767684663  <b>Pemba Campus: (024)2452200</b> 077654770
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THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA  
MINISTRY OF LANDS, HOUSING AND  
HUMAN SETTLEMENTS DEVELOPMENT



**SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE**  
**REQUEST FOR BIDS**  
**NON-CONSULTING SERVICES**

**Employer** : Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development  
**Project** : Land Tenure Improvement Project (LTIP)  
**Contract title** : Establishment of Continuously Operating Reference Stations Network for Land Administration Sector of Tanzania  
**Country** : Tanzania  
**CreditNo.** : 70220  
**RFB No** : ME.017/WB-LTIP-164906/TZ-MLHSD-358294-NC-RFB/2023-2024/NC/01  
**Issued on** : 06<sup>th</sup> July, 2023

- The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the : Land Tenure Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Establishment of Continuously Operating Reference Station Network for Land Administration Sector of Tanzania.
- The Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development (MLHSD) now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for the establishment of a 22-station Continuously Operating Reference Station network covering the LTIP project regions and a Network Control Centre.
- Bidding will be conducted through International Competitive Bidding (ICB) using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers - November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development and inspect the bidding document during office hours from 08.00 to 15.30 hours Local time Monday to Friday except public holidays at the address given below .All requests for clarification should be sent to the address given below as well and the Client will send Responses to Clarifications and Amendments through email and notification will also automatically be sent to those Expected Bidders who have started working on this Request for Bid.]
- The bidding document in English may be purchased by interested eligible Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of Tanzanian Shillings One Hundred Thousand TZS.100,000 or its equivalent in any freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be by Banker's Cheque, Banker's Draft or cash payable to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development or direct deposit or telegraphic transfer to the following bank account:

**Account Name** : Ministry of Lands - Revenue Accounts  
**Account Number** 20101000025  
**Bank Details** : NMB Bank House Branch  
**Swift** : NMIBTZTZ

The document will be sent by email and will be available to the office of the Secretary to Tender Board at the address given below.

- Bids must be delivered to the address below to the address (9a) below on or before on 6th September, 2023 at 11:00 Hours East African. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address (9b) below on 6th September, 2023 11:00Hours.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Sixty thousand US dollars (US\$ 60,000.00) or its equivalents in any freely convertible currency in the form of Bank Guarantee. The Bid Security shall be clearly addressed to the: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development. Bid Security shall be valid for twenty-eight (28) days beyond the bid validity period (one hundred forty-eight (148) days) after the bid submission deadline.
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- The addresses referred to above are:

**(a) For bid submission:**

**The Secretary, Tender Board**  
**The Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development**  
**Attn: Director of Procurement Management Unit**  
**Street Address: Nanenane Ground**  
**Building/Plot No.: City Council Building**  
**Address: P.O. Box 2908, Dodoma, Tanzania.**  
**Floor/ Room number: Procurement Management Unit's Office**  
**City/Town: 40477 Dodoma, Tanzania**  
**Country: United Republic of Tanzania**  
**Telephone: +255783493933; +255 26 296 3313/296 3314**  
**Electronic mail address: dpmu@lands.go**

**(b) For bid opening:**

**The Secretary, Tender Board**  
**The Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development**  
**Attn: Director of Procurement Management Unit**  
**Street Address: Nanenane Ground**  
**Building/Plot No.: City Council Building**  
**Address: P.O. Box 2908, Dodoma, Tanzania.**  
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## Moshi MP lauds private school contribution to the community

By Guardian Correspondent, Moshi

MOSHI Urban MP in Kilimanjaro Region, Priscus Tarimo has hailed management of the Moshi-based St Maria Goreti secondary school for its great contribution in the education sector and the community as a whole.

Tarimo gave the compliments here during a special camp for health check - ups and blood donating exercise which was organised by the school's management which is part of the commemorations of the 25th anniversary of the institution.

"The school started as a normal secondary school, later it went on becoming as advanced level educational institution; to date, the management of the school has established a pre-school as well as a primary school, this is a great achievement of your school and a great contribution to the development of the education sector in the country," he said.

He also praised the leadership of the school for contributing to the improvement of the environment in Kilimanjaro Region by donating

tree seedlings and also taking part in planting trees in all the districts of the Region as part of the celebrations.

"I have been informed that, you have already contributed 2,000 trees that will be planted in various places here in Kilimanjaro Region, this is a great contribution on the ongoing efforts meant to improve the environment, especially considering the fact that, one of the government's agenda is to ensure that the environment is improved so as to curb the climate change challenge," he said.

MP Tarimo who at the event registered as a participant in the marathon event organized by the school as part of the celebrations, also congratulated the school's management for organising the race which he said will contribute to improving the lives of the participants along with promoting the sports sector.

School's headmistress, Sr Clementina Kachweka said the medical checkup and blood donation camp was meant to provide a chance to residents to donate blood so as to help patients in need undergoing

treatment in various health centres in the region.

She thanked Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC) zonal referral hospital for playing a lead role in bringing experts to support the medical checkup and blood donation exercise alongside St Joseph Hospital, Huruma Hospital and Moshi Municipal Council (Safe blood) section.

Over 1000 students and other people underwent the checkup and 50 pints of blood were collected during the exercise which will all go to save the lives of more than 150 patients in hospitals.

"Apart from donating blood, people got the opportunity to test their health status for free, the goal was to give people the ability to know their health conditions so that if they are diagnosed with different types of illness, they can start treatment early," she added.

Sr Clementina said all activities leading to the St Mary Goreti 25th Jubilee anniversary are being co-ordinated by Executive Solutions Ltd, one of the Public Relations and Events management agencies.



Finance ministry deputy permanent secretary Jenifa Omolo (R) has a word with UTT AMIS employees when she visited the agency's pavilion at ongoing 47th edition of the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair yesterday. From left: Head of public relations and marketing Martha Mashiku and senior marketing and relations officer Grace Ngai-ilo. Photo: Correspondent Jumanne Juma

## CSOs, NGOs urged to 'track' funds from variety of sources

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

OVER 50 civil society organisations (CSOs) and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in Dodoma region have been trained about seek for funds from different sources.

The capacity building training organised by the NGO Network for Dodoma (NGONEDO) in collaboration with the Foundation for Civil Society (FCS) was aimed at empowering regional non-profit organisations on how to get funds.

Speaking at the event, NGONEDO coordinator, Edward Mbogo said most of the NGOs and CSOs in the country lack the knowledge on how to get funding, relying on readily availed support from donors.

He noted that through the training, representatives from various organizations meet to learn, discuss and share experiences on the best approaches on seeking sources of funds.

"Leaders from most non-profit organisations lack the best strategies on how to get funds from different donors making them unable to continue with the duties" he said. He also expressed appreciations to the government for working closely non-profit organisations and creating a conducive environment for them to operate.

While presenting a topic on the theme "Grants Seeking for Non Profit Organisations", Omary Msonga, a consultant on project management strategy and fund raising noted that there are different approaches that can be used by organisations to access funding.

He said, "It is important that these organisations get to know different approaches in seeking funding both locally and internationally instead of just waiting for announcements from grants providers".

According to the consultant, grants provided by different organizations are the key sources of funding for non-profit organizations, thus the need to know how to access them.

He noted that unlike the normally announced grants, NGOs have the role to keep on looking for the sources and apply the needed skills in writing proposals.

One of the participants, Festo Thomas for 3E's International, a local organization based in Dodoma, noted that access to grants is one of the key challenges facing NGOs in the country.

He thanked the organizers of the capacity building training for the efforts that aimed at empowering the organizations. "A lot of organisation's leaders have low knowledge on how to access funds and writing proposals" he said.

## Security firm pledges to continue its support to the Tanzania Police

By Guardian Reporter

SGA Security has pledged to continue its tradition of close working relationship with the Tanzania Police Force.

The remarks were made over the weekend at a ceremony to mark the day of remembrance of the founders of the company. The company was established in Tanzania in 1984 by former IGP, the late Philemon Mgaya and his partner from the Netherlands, the late Edmond van Tongeren.

The two passed on 14th and 13th July respectively. The company held the function to celebrate their lives and pledged to continue the vision they had.

SGA Security Managing Director, Eric Sambu, said that the company now employs over 5,000 employees, increasing after a recent drop that resulted from sudden minimum wage increase that rendered some customers seeking cheaper alternatives.

"We have been through a lot but we always come out stronger, together," Sambu said, adding that the secret to their success is the company's value of embracing partnerships with key stakeholders. This ensures the operations of the company remain sustainable.

Sambu gave example of the close partnership with Tanzania Police Force, saying it is a mutually beneficial partnership and pledged to continue the partnership.

The event also marked the celebration for the officers who had reached the mandatory retirement age, where the company awarded them with various gifts.

The event was attended by employees who had served the company for more than 20 years, and hence joined what the company calls 'Club 20'. The company has more than 200 such employees in its various departments and branches.

Speaking during the event, the RPC for Kinondoni, ACP Mtatiro Kitinkwi, who was the Chief Guest during the event, commended SGA Security for being a close partner of the government and specifically, the police.

He gave examples where SGA always provide material support in patrols in the city most of the weekends, with police officers in their vehicles. "We have witnessed impressive response from SGA when we need their support over the years and we are not surprised that you are the top company in the market", ACP Mtatiro added.

He called upon other security companies to emulate the example set by SGA Security. He also commended the company for the welfare of employees, saying this was a rare gesture from private security to hold functions and award retirees.





Dr David Joho of Moshi municipality's KCMC Hospital pictured at the weekend addressing students and other members of the St Mary Goreti Secondary School community at a combined health check and blood donation camp. The event, in which the hospital played the lead role, was held as part of the countdown to the school's 25th anniversary next year. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

# Education stakeholders call upon donors to invest in private schools

By Guardian Reporter

THE government has been called to involve private schools whenever various opportunities occur, such as the one from the huge COVID-19 Funds so that the benefits should go to many more Tanzanians.

The projects implemented from COVID-19 Funds last year benefited public secondary schools countrywide whereby thousands of classrooms were built, including school desks.

Addressing reporters in Dar es Salaam at the weekend, Ally Nyambi, education stakeholder said COVID-19 funds which the government received from donors should have also benefitted private schools as they also educate thousands of Tanzanians just like public secondary schools.

"It is my only advice that whenever such opportunity emerges again, then we in the public sector should also benefit from the funds as we teach the same Tanzanians," he said.

In regard to other education

issues, he said they have been cooperating very well in making sure Tanzania's youth get quality education.

"We commend the government, as it has been involving us in many issues in regard to the education sector, as it recognizes the importance of the private sector's contribution in education," said Nyambi, who is also the headmaster of Kamene secondary school, in Dar es Salaam.

"Our school provides education from the elementary level to Form VI, and the fees for Form VI is only 500,000/- per year, while for Form I is 400,000/-, we are doing so to five opportunities to more youth to get quality education," he added.

Regarding his school's examination passes, he said it has been doing very well in various national examinations.

"I call upon parents and guardians to bring their children to the school to benefit by the quality of education we provide, for their own and national benefit," he said.

# Fertiliser firm partners with varsity in launching agro information centre

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

CROP nutrition company, Yara Tanzania and Mbeya University of Science and Technology (MUST) have partnered to run an agriculture training centre, providing a platform for farmers and students to access knowledge on crop nutrition, soil health and fertilizer management.

The Yara Knowledge Centre in Mbeya will be the sixth in the country as the local subsidiary of the Norwegian international fertilizer supply conglomerate ramps up agricultural transformation efforts through adoption

of farm-level technology and best agronomic practices to boost crop production.

Yara chief agronomist for Tanzania and Rwanda, Donath Fungo, said the partnership with MUST will contribute significantly to empowerment of smallholder farmers who are key to making agriculture profitable and industrialization.

"Through Yara Knowledge Centres, we aim to equip farmers with the knowledge, tools, and other support needed to achieve sustainable farming practices, improve yields, and build prosperous livelihoods," said Fungo

in Mbeya, on Friday, during a farm demonstration organized through the MUST partnership.

Fungo said the Mbeya centre will specialize in the cultivation of Irish potatoes, tomatoes, beans and maize while enabling farmers to scale up the use of modern and high quality input and also introduce them to digital technology solutions to their needs such as financing, market off take and mitigate effects of climate change.

"We are grateful that MUST has partnered with Yara in this endeavor that will uplift the smallholder farmer in the surrounding

regions. This is a good example of private-public partnership geared at supporting the government's agriculture sector transformation agenda," he said.

Others than the field demonstrations, the Yara knowledge centres provide training and industrial attachment facilities and resources for students and agri-researchers. So, far, 800 smallholder farmers have directly benefited from the programme.

Acting Vice Chancellor for MUST, Prof Godling Mtui, said the Yara partnership will boost research and contribute meaningfully to the development of

the sector.

"We will tackle crop productivity challenges facing surrounding communities through tailor made solutions, including approach," said Prof Mtui.

Mbeya region Assistant Administrative Secretary Said Madito who was the official guest at the farmers filed emphasized on the need to educate farmers on soil health, appropriate application of fertilizer and combating climate change.

"I welcome your partnership and hope you will further establish means to reach more farmers in the rural areas with this

knowledge," said prof Madito, noting that such efforts will help attain the goal of raising the sector's productivity by 10 per cent by 2030.

Farmers who attended the event said the Yara Knowledge Centre should ensure affordable inputs and equipment do reach the needy and on time to raise their yields and income, so that the envisaged benefits or changes do not leave the poor behind.

Students were happy that the centre is closer for practical purposes. MUST has recently ventured into the agricultural science disciplines.

## ISCLOSURES MADE UNDER REGULATION 11 OF BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (DISCLOSURES) REGULATIONS, 2014 AND CONSUMER PROTECTION REGULATION, 2019 MINIMUM DISCLOSURE OF CHARGES AND FEES (GHARAMA ZA HUDUMA ZETU)

Service Charges (Exclusive of VAT and Government Levy on Digital Transactions) (The applicable VAT (Value added Tax) and Govt Levy on digital Transaction to be collected during the collection of service charges)

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2	Other Outward Remittance	USD up to 5,000 Above USD 5,000 - 10,000 Above USD 10,000	USD 15 USD 30 USD 75	2	From Outside Tanzania (in-kind)	0.35% of inward remittance Minimum USD 10 (Maximum USD 25)	0.35% of inward remittance Minimum USD 10 (Maximum USD 25)
3	Transfer charges	Irrespective of Amount	USD 30	3	For Current /Overdraft Accounts	Free	Free
4	Recall bank funds charges	Irrespective of Amount	USD 30	4	For Saving Accounts	USD 0 up to USD 500 USD 100 up to USD 900 Above USD 900	Free Free USD 18
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**Taking A New Look  
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## Initiative by Indian college sets the bar for quality of education

ACADEMIC standards that the Tanzania Commission of Universities (TCU) and ministerial authorities have constantly made efforts to improve will get a boost when the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) sets up a branch here. It appears it is modelled after the Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT), where the matter was raised when India's External Affairs minister Dr Subrahmanyam Jaisankar visited DIT as part of a four day extensive tour of Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam. It is another example of India-Tanzania higher education collaboration, the most outstanding example being in medical field.

The visiting minister said in the company of Prof Adolf Mkenya, the Education, Science and Technology minister, that the IIT would establish its first foreign campus in Zanzibar. The host minister said best form six performing students in science subjects will be enrolled in the institute via the Samia Suluhu Hassan scholarship scheme, with artificial intelligence and the 'internet of things' uppermost in their fields of specialisation. It is a moment of modernisation.

The host minister, describing the Indian facility as among the best technological training institutions in the world, noted that establishing a branch in Tanzania will be beneficial "as we believe that the quality offered in India will be transferred to Tanzania."

That is precisely the purpose as localisation cuts costs of offering paid scholarships to India, and by implication extends such training to many other interested, qualified students. But there is more than that aspect.

Bringing to Tanzania an example of Indian higher education standards is an indirect way of bringing British or American standards as well, owing to

extensive collaboration they have carried out for decades. In a sense it is an affirmation of the need for Commonwealth standards which by extension is also applicable to the United States and Europe, as they have intensive interaction and peer reviewing of research outputs. Artificial intelligence is a remarkably condensed area of information technology or communications engineering.

For this initiative to be adequately exploited in terms of its capacities, similar institutions will be expected to adopt its format of work or capacities in this or that area, so that there is no stratification of training. It also implies that the preliminary formation of students up admission into such colleges is not disturbed by reworking of curricula to focus merely on manual skills for a supposed large market out there which needs them, not 'theoretical' training. To put this problematic in the clear light of day, accepting branches of foreign universities requires that we stick to a training format best academic outputs, and abandon initiatives which lead to disrupting such preliminary training. If the current supposed curriculum review is approved, institutes of this sort will be closed or reserved for students coming out of private secondary schools, if they will be allowed to retain English as the medium of instruction. It is that simple.

While this is difficult to affirm among enthusiasts of the International Day of Kiswahili as intimating using it for advanced learning, caution is the best policy.

As a matter of fact Tanzania like South Africa or India is permanently in the sphere of English. No amount of vocabulary creation or centres in foreign universities teaching the language will change this, just as it is for Hindi, Zulu, Afrikaans, Hausa, etc.

## Consumption, not population, key to easing global environmental crisis

POOR people should not be blamed for the global environmental crisis in the face of overconsumption by the world's middle classes. World Population Day is an annual event, observed on July 11 every year, which seeks to raise awareness of global population issues.

The event was established by the United Nations Development Programme in 1989. World Population Day aims to increase people's awareness on various population issues such as the importance of family planning, gender equality, poverty, maternal health and human rights.

Human overpopulation or human population overshoot describes a concern that human populations may become too large to be sustained by their environment or resources in the long term. The topic is usually discussed in the context of world population, though it may concern individual nations, regions, and cities.

In November 2020, UNFPA, together with the governments of Kenya and Denmark, convened a high-level conference in Nairobi to accelerate efforts to achieve these unmet goals. On World Population Day, advocates from around the world call on leaders, policymakers, grassroots organisers, institutions and others to help make reproductive health and rights a reality for all.

The belief that global population levels will become too large to sustain is a point of contentious debate. Those who believe global human overpopulation to be a valid concern, argue that increased levels of resource consumption and pollution exceed the environment's carrying capacity, leading to population overshoot. The population overshoot hypothesis is often discussed in relation to other population concerns such as population momentum, biodiversity loss, hunger and malnutrition, resource depletion, and

the overall human impact on the environment.

Critics of the belief note that human population growth is decreasing and the population will likely peak, and possibly even begin to decrease, before the end of the century. They argue the concerns surrounding population growth are overstated, noting that quickly declining birth rates and technological innovation make it possible to sustain projected population sizes. Other critics claim that the concept is too narrowly focused, ignores more pressing issues, like poverty, and places an undue burden on the global south.

Modern proponents of the concept have suggested that overpopulation, population growth and overconsumption are interdependent and collectively are the primary drivers of human-caused environmental problems such as climate change and biodiversity loss. Many scientists have expressed concern about population growth, and argue that creating sustainable societies will require decreasing the current global population. Advocates have suggested implementation of population planning strategies to reach a proposed sustainable population.

Overpopulation hypotheses are controversial, with many demographers and environmentalists disputing the core premise that the world cannot sustain the current trajectory of human population. Instead, social scientists argue that disputes between themselves and biologists about human overpopulation are over the appropriateness of definitions being used (and often devolve into social scientists and biologists simply talking past each other).

Since 1804, the global human population has increased from 1 billion to 8 billion due to medical advancements and improved agricultural productivity. Annual world population growth peaked at 2.1 per cent in 1968, and has since dropped to 1.1 per cent.

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## Transformative change of relationship with nature is key to saving global biodiversity

By Arun Agrawal

TO most people, 'transformative change' is an abstract academic catchphrase. But transformative change is far more than that. It is the foundational response necessary to address the global crisis of biodiversity loss that threatens the wellbeing of every person in every community and every species in every region of Africa.

Species of plants and animals around the world are going extinct at a rate at least tens to hundreds of times greater than the average over the past 10 million years. A million species of plants and animals are at risk of extinction.

Seventy five percent of our global land surface and 66 per of the ocean area has been significantly altered by human activity. Rapid increases in greenhouse gas emissions, consumption patterns and an extraordinary concentration of wealth and power in the hands of a small minority are profoundly damaging nature's contributions to people.

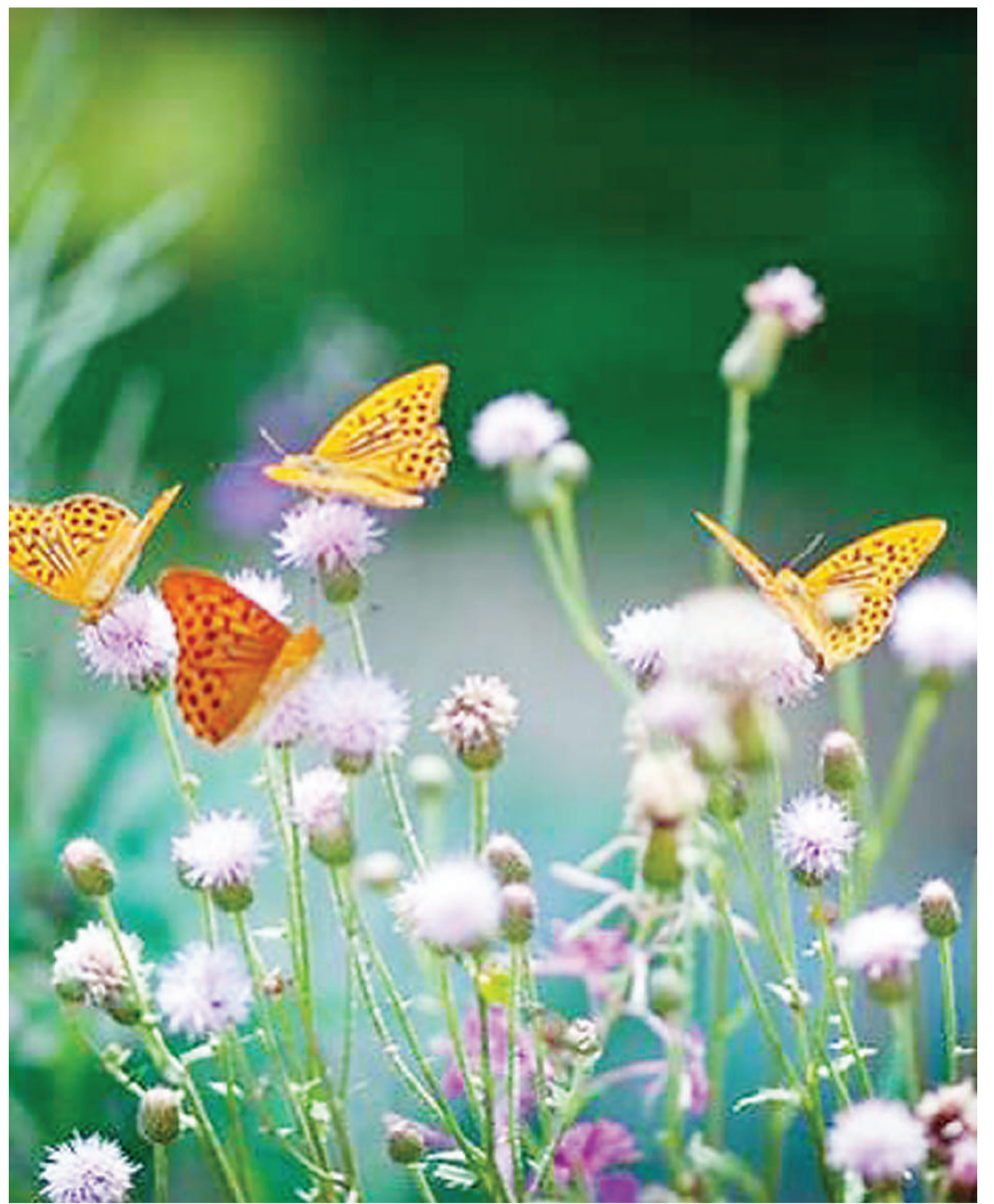
They threaten the air we breathe, the water we drink and the food we eat. We are on the path towards a disastrous future.

But altering course to achieve a sustainable, just, and prosperous world is possible. Getting to such a world requires different choices. It requires transformative change. There is broad scientific consensus that justice and equity are integrally connected with sustainability. This means that halting and reversing biodiversity loss will not be accomplished by small, slow, incremental changes.

Deep, structural, and rapid changes, are necessary and possible. They will entail both individual and collective action. They will span behavioural, social, cultural, economic, institutional, technical and technological dimensions.

To succeed, transformative change must begin now. Shifts towards greater justice, equity and sustainability require clear evidence on how transformative change comes about - especially how it can lead to a fairer distribution of resources, capacities and benefits for socially, economically and politically disadvantaged and marginalised groups. This knowledge exists. Evidence and strategies that translate knowledge about transformations into actions for transformations are needed. The transformative change assessment aims to pinpoint the necessary evidence and strategies.

Representatives of the 139 member States of IPBES, the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiver-



sity and Ecosystem Services, tasked the world's leading experts to undertake a thematic assessment of transformative change over more than four years.

The aim is to better understand and identify the specific elements of human society that can be leveraged to bring about transformative change for the conservation, restoration, and wise use of biodiversity, taking into account broader social and economic goals in the context of sustainable development.

The transformative change assessment process is now well advanced. Due to be considered by IPBES member States in 2024, and published thereafter, the IPBES Transformative Change Assessment Report will provide the knowledge and policy options to help governments,

decision-makers, organisations and even individuals to better understand and act to address the drivers of change that link biodiversity loss with social, economic, political and cultural dimensions.

The report will highlight specific actionable options to meet the targets of the newly adopted Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the 2050 Vision for Biodiversity, and the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The assessment draws on more than 10,000 sources - including scientific publications, government data, as well as vital indigenous and local knowledge. It explores diverse case studies of historical transformations and examines quantitative evidence on past and ongoing transformations. It investigates the likely trajectories

of change into the future and how to turn away from the catastrophic path on which we are currently marching.

This evidence will allow the assessment and its audiences to pinpoint the drivers and consequences of transformations, avoid potential pitfalls to ensure nature-positive changes, and propel the planet towards sustainability and wellbeing.

Transformative change is not only an environmental issue. It is also a social, economic and justice issue. Creating an equitable world that recognizes the fundamental interdependence of human well-being and the health of the natural world is simultaneously about creating a world that is sustainable, resilient and prosperous for all people and all nature.



# Samia visit and entry of Kiswahili into Malawi's education system

By Mark Mapambano

**P**RESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan's last week visit to Malawi centred on strengthening bilateral relations between the two neighbouring and friendly nations.

Although President Samia was invited as guest of honour as Malawi celebrated 59th anniversary of its independence, she and her host, President Lazarus Chakwera, agreed on a number of issues that can take the cordial relations to new heights. One of the tools agreed upon was Kiswahili.

Speaking during a televised joint news briefing with President Samia on Friday, President Chakwera ordered the country's education authorities to immediately start introducing Kiswahili into the country's school curriculum for easy business communication with Tanzania and other Kiswahili-speaking countries.

"I am pleased to inform you, everyone, that I have shared with Her Excellency the exciting news of my administration's decision to introduce language studies to strengthen both Malawi and Kiswahili-speaking sister countries like Tanzania," he said.

The Malawian president went ahead and instructed the ministry of education to implement that policy "with the agency it deserves." This puts Malawi on the growing list of countries that teach Kiswahili.

African countries that teach the language are the Democratic Republic of Congo, Cameroun, South Africa, Madagascar, Egypt, Ghana and Nigeria. Kiswahili is also taught in Russia, China, Japan, South Korea, Iran, India, Germany, France, the UK and Italy.

Neighbouring Rwanda has endorsed Kiswahili as official language alongside Kinyarwanda, French and English. Rwanda joined Tanzania and Kenya where the language is widely used and millions in urban areas use it as their first language.

In 2019, Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) adopted Kiswahili as its fourth official language. Others are English, Portuguese and French.

In November 2021, at its 41st Session in Paris, the General Conference of UNESCO declared July 7th World Kiswahili Language Day. By Resolution 41 C/61, Member States recognized the critical role played by Kiswahili in promoting cultural diversity, creating awareness, and fostering dialogue among civilizations.

Also, in 2022, the Assembly of the African Union (AU) approved the introduction of Kiswahili as a working language of the AU and language of wider communication in Africa.

It should be remembered that of the 54 countries on the African continent, English is the official language in 7 and French is the official language in 21 countries and both are languages of former colonizers.

Perhaps, this explains why many African countries



President Samia Suluhu Hassan and her Malawian counterpart Lazarus Chakwera. She was invited as guest of honour during celebration of 59th anniversary of Malawi's independence last week. File photo

go for Kiswahili which is predominantly a Bantu language. It is estimated that there are more than 200 million Kiswahili speakers around the globe. In fact, Kiswahili is ranked among the 10 most widely spoken languages worldwide.

Tanzania which prides herself as bona fide birthplace of Kiswahili is at the forefront of its promotion. Speaking during national commemoration of the World Kiswahili Day last week, Zanzibar President Dr Hussein Mwinyi directed all Tanzanian embassies and high commissions abroad to establish Kiswahili teaching centres. He named foreign missions that have already opened such centres as South Korea, Italy, United Arab Emirates, the Netherlands, France, Cuba, Nigeria and Sudan.

Back to Malawi, President Samia told reporters that Tanzania would provide Malawi with everything needed for the introduction of Kiswahili language in that country.

"On Kiswahili, my brother said it well," she said. "And I thank you for the decision you have taken. Tanzania is ready to give all what is required to make Kiswahili being taught in Malawi schools. We are ready for that."

In the course of her three-day visit, President Samia commended the Malawi government for maintaining peace, unity, stability and national cohesion which were the essential ideals for social economic transformation of any nation.

"To us in Tanzania, the independence of Malawi meant and continues to mean a lot. As neighbours, your independence completed ours, and your progress impacted our progress," she said. "With your independence, we gained a dependable neighbour and an economic partner."

President Samia praised the choice of the theme of this year's commemoration which was 'celebrating renewed unity and patriotism,' describing it as timely and an opportune not only for Malawi but for Africa at large.

Tanzania and Malawi are sister countries and Tanzania is one of just a handful of countries that came to Malawi's aid at her time of need when the country was early this year devastated by cyclone Freddy.

With her own competing priorities, Tanzania was generous enough to donate USD 1 million cash plus food and medical consignments to help victims of the cyclone. Tanzania also sent two military heavy choppers from Dar es Salaam to support rescue operations in Malawi.

In March this year, the cyclone's destruction increased public health risks including a surge in the spread of cholera, malaria, malnutrition and other diseases with the World Health Organisation saying that Malawi saw its "worst-ever" cholera outbreak. The devastation killed 500 people in Malawi.

In neighbouring Mozambique, Cyclone Freddy destroyed over 132,000 homes, leaving more than 640,000 people homeless damaged over 1,017 schools and over 5,000 kilometers of roads.

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# Steven Kangero: The selfless businessman who touched many lives

By Correspondent Gaudensia Mngumi

ONE of Tanzanians who dedicated their time, skills and talents to serve not self but others is, without doubt, the late Steven Shadrack Kangero. He stands out especially in economic recovery efforts since 1970s until his recent passing on and many who knew him associate his name with improving the life of poor farmers in rural areas and improved access to financial services.

In the 1970s, Kangero would help to build a big empire of Lake Zone cotton farmers or the 'white gold' when he became custodian of tractors supply. He did it by collecting cash from individual buyers, protecting their money before delivering it to the International Motor Mart (TOYOTA) Dar es Salaam, by then, the tractor seller according to former Attorney General Andrew Chenge

"As salesman for TOYOTA, he acted like the farmers' bank. But much more, he was greatly trustful, walking with thousands of cash from Bariadi, Maswa and Kwimba districts in the Lake Zone to Dar es Salaam," he said in an interview recently.

"Kangero was at the forefront of aspirations of farmers and he kept on fighting for the farmers against any obstacles that could pin down their plans to purchase farming inputs and equipment."

He added that Kangero worked in the interest of the farmers who toiled in their fields with hand hoes and oxen plough and aspired to buy tractors to ease the work and increase productivity.

"They used to give him a lot of money in cash, he travelled with it to Dar es Salaam and bought tractors from Mart and personally took them back to each one of them in the Lake Zone," Chenge said.

He added that at that time there were no banks in many districts, meaning that Kangero stashed huge bundles of cash in his pockets. Farmers and everybody would adore his sacrifice because the practice was risky in case thugs knew it.

Change spoke about love, admiration and adoration of Kangero at the deceased's home village of Kiruru in Mwanza District, Kilimanjaro Region on July 1st this



year when the man who was called the Mwanza Hero was buried. He died from bronchitis at the age of 80 on June 22, 2023 while undergoing treatments in India.

"He was very faithful and trustful. He was a businessperson who developed a network of development for the whole of Tanzania and even today people in Bariadi, my home district, have invested and enjoyed the success that resulted from his own trust, hard work and efforts," former Bariadi MP said.

Joseph Tadayo, Member of Parliament for Mwanza (CCM) remembers Kangero as one of the successful businessmen who was in close touch with his home, the people of Mwanza, Kilimanjaro Region and Tanzania as a whole.

"He was the architect of many development projects in Mwanza. He built the first ward secondary school which has developed further to become Lembeni High School; he contributed greatly to development here," he said.

The politician said Kangero also made a lot of contributions improvement of health services, specifically in the construction of the modern Kisangara Health Center. Also, he contributed generously towards construction of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT) churches in many places but especially Kilimanjaro and Dar es Salaam.

Tadayo said Kangero was one of first architects and staunch supporters of Public Private Partnership policy in Tanzania and was actively involved in implementation of such projects.

"Kangero played a big role in pushing for the endorsement of PPP and he started with an offshore oil exploration project. He succeeded in acquiring the Dominion Oil Company that was exploring oil. Not only that, he has been involved in the acquisition of the ARL Gold Company that was involved in gold research," he said.

"In the construction of the Kihansi hydroelectric dam, he participated in achieving the acquisition of an Italian Impregilo company and today there is a dam and electricity is being produced."

Naomi Shaaban presented a message from the neighboring Kenya where was a Member of Parliament for Taveta for 20 years but now retired. She said Kangero was a staunch supporter of the East African Community who collaborated with like-minded business colleagues in Kenya as well as politicians.

"He was down to earth, a person who connected himself with anyone regardless of whether one is poor, needy or rich and for that he was a great philanthropist," she said.

Kangero frequently expressed his concern about poverty in Mwanza and Tanzania as well. He was fond of saying country couldn't continue to be a place with no schools, health facilities and even a bank where farmers and herders can keep their

finances and loan capital for their own investments.

In order for Mwanza people to improve economically, farmers, herders and the villagers to become self-sufficient, Mwanza Community Bank was established and Kangero was a major stakeholder in establishing the bank which today is Mwanza Halisi Commercial Bank, said former Prime Minister and First Vice President, Cleopa Msuya.

"Kangero had a profound impact on shaping our peoples' life and our understanding of what can be achieved to create healthier and more sustainable livelihoods to our people at individual level, community and country; that is why we reflect on his legacy and why it remains so important to us," he said.

He said that Mwanza is one of the few districts in Tanzania which have community banks and Kangero participated in establishing it to support liberalization of farmers through access to financial services sector as a way of implementing economic reforms which started in the 1980s.

Kangero was a national and international icon, according to Msuya because he bred chickens at his Mgwao farm in Kilimanjaro Region that are sold abroad, adding that he was very good at building partnership with his people of Mwanza, the government and international organisations and businesses.

Kangero was a genius when it comes to business development and he helped many people grow businesses hence deserves to be remembered as one of Tanzanians who lived and left big marks, said Hatibu Senkoro, an expert in accounting and capital investment who was the chairman of Tanzania Capital Market and Securities Authority.

"Many families 'ate' and that is why there is a popular saying here in Mwanza that everybody has touched his money in one way or the other," he said.

# The dark side of wind and solar farms as sustainable energy in Brazil

By Mario Osava

"ANXIETY, insomnia and depression have become widespread. We don't sleep well, I wake up three, four times a night," complained Brazilian farmer Roselma de Melo Oliveira, 35, who has lived 160 meters from a wind turbine for eight years.

Her story illustrates the ordeal of at least 80 families who decided to hire a lawyer to demand compensation from the company that owns the Ventos de Santa Brigida wind farm complex in Caetés, a municipality of 28,000 inhabitants in the state of Pernambuco, in the Northeast region of Brazil.

Dozens of other families affected by the proximity of the wind towers have not joined the legal action, largely because they fear losing the rental income from part of their land where one or more wind turbines have been erected.

The company pays them about 290 dollars for each wind tower, which represents 1.5 percent of the electricity generated and sold, according to Oliveira. Those who were not offered or did not accept the lease are left with the damage and no profits.

Built in 2015 by the national company Casa dos Ventos and sold the following year to the British corporation Cubico Sustainable Investments, the set of seven wind farms, consisting of 107 wind tur-

bines 80 meters high, has a total installed capacity of 182 megawatts, enough to supply 350,000 homes.

The wind energy boom has intensified in recent years in Brazil's Northeast region, which accounts for more than 80 percent of the wind electricity generated in the whole country.

### Wind power boom

This expansion will be accelerated by plans to produce green hydrogen, which requires a large amount of renewable energy for electrolysis, the technology of choice. The region's enormous wind and solar potential, in addition to its relative proximity to Europe, the great consumer market of green hydrogen, puts the Northeast in a strong position as a supplier of the so-called fuel of the future.

As a result, large energy projects are proliferating in the region, which is mostly semiarid and almost always sunny. The giant parks have triggered local resistance, due to the social and environmental impacts, which are felt more intensely in the Northeast, where small rural properties are the norm.

Brazil currently has 191,702 megawatts of installed capacity, including 53.3 percent hydroelectric, 13.2 percent wind and 4.4 percent solar. The goal is for wind, solar and biomass to contribute 23 percent of the total by 2030, with the



Marizelda Duarte da Silva, vice-president of the Esperança Rural Workers Union, is one of the leaders of the women's resistance to the installation of wind farms in the mountains of the Borborema Plateau. CREDIT: Mario Osava / IPS

Northeast as the epicenter of the production of renewable sources.

"We are not against wind energy, but against the way these large projects are implemented, without studying or avoiding their impacts," Oliveira said. Renewable sources are not always clean and sustainable, say activists, especially movements led by women in the Northeast.

"Because they are considered low-impact, wind and solar farms obtain permits for implementation and operation more quickly and at a low cost, without in-depth studies," said José Aderivaldo, a sociologist and secondary school

teacher in Santa Luzia, a municipality of 15,000 inhabitants in the semiarid zone of the Northeastern state of Paraíba.

"But solar energy has a greater impact, it is more invasive. A wind farm has little impact on livestock, which do lose a lot of space to solar, more extensive in terms of the land it occupies," he told IPS.

His field of observation is the Neoenergia company's Renewable Complex, a project that combines wind power, with 136 wind turbines in the Chafariz complex in the mountains, and 228,000 photovoltaic panels in the Luzia Park on the plains. The former generates more electricity at night,

the latter during the day.

In total, they cover 8,700 hectares in Santa Luzia and three other neighboring municipalities and can generate up to 620.4 megawatts, most of it - 471.2 megawatts - coming from the wind in the mountains. They can supply electricity to 1.3 million housing units and avoid the emission of 100,000 tons of carbon dioxide gas, according to the company, a subsidiary of Spain's Iberdrola.

One of the impacts was a reduction in the local capacity for the production of cheap protein from livestock farming adapted for centuries to the local ecosystem, in addition

to extracting rocks for the construction of wind towers and damaging local roads with trucks for their transport, lamented João Telésforo, an engineer and retired professor from the public Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte.

"Neoenergia carried out all the socio-environmental impact studies rigorously in accordance with the country's current legislation and global best practices. The distance between the homes and the wind turbines is in compliance with the law," the company responded to IPS in writing, in response to questions about criticism of its activities.

"In addition, it only leases the land, without purchasing it, which means people stay in their homes and in the countryside, and owners receive payments according to the contracts, with transparency, contributing to income distribution and local quality of life," it added.

### Local complaints

But Pedro Olegario, 73, laments that the remuneration has declined, explained by the company as a result of a drop in the energy generated. "The wind is still blowing the same," he protested.

His wife, Maria José Gomes, 57, complains about the noise, even though the nearest wind turbine is about 500 meters away from their house. "Sometimes I can only fall asleep in

the wee hours of the morning with the window tightly closed," she said.

The couple lives on their share of a 265-hectare property, inherited and divided between the widow and 17 children of the previous owner, on one of the mountains of the Seridó range, part of Santa Luzia.

The 18 family members split the income from four wind towers installed on their land.

### Not everyone is unhappy

On the other hand, Pedro's brother Severino Olegario, 50, has a positive view of the Canoas Wind Farm, which also belongs to Neoenergia. The 2019 construction made it possible for him to open a restaurant to feed 40 technicians of the company who installed the mechanical components.

"I sleep despite the noise and the remuneration is low because we had to divide it among a very large family," he said. He also improved the road, which brings tourists to his restaurant on Sundays, after the construction work ended, and slowed the local exodus of people from the region.

About 1,000 families used to live in the three communities up in the mountains, due to the high level of production of cotton. But the cotton boll weevil (*Anthonomus grandis*) plague in the 1990s destroyed the crop and the value of the land.

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## 'Senene' is traditional food for Haya people

By Correspondent Emmanuel Kwitema

**T**HE East African longhorn grasshopper or 'senene', as it is known in Kiswahili, is a cone-headed species belonging to the family tettigoniidae and order orthoptera.

In Tanzania, senene is a traditional food for Haya people living in Kagera Region, though its consumption is also common in all the northern part of the country. In addition, 'senene' is embedded in the Haya culture and is at the centre of several food taboos.

Haya people identify different types of senene, naming them accordingly to their appearance and behaviour.

Among the most important are mwanamwana (which means 'beautiful woman') considered the tastier, kishorowanda a green one with purple stripes; mfaume that is reported to be the more aggressive one; katikomile a brown insect found mostly during the end of the season and kimbisimbisi a green insect and the most common in the area.

Haya customarily consider senene along with other edible insects an important source of food, especially during famine times, and believe they have healing properties. For instance, pregnant women cannot eat this insect, or it is believed they would give birth to children with a head resembling that of senene.

While in the past Haya was the only ethnic tribe to eat senene, nowadays many communities have adopted this practice, opening the development of a trade for this product.

Gathering of senene takes place during the night or in the early morning before sunrise, since in these moments insects are less active and easier to catch. Local people use two different methods depending on the number of insects they aim to collect. When harvesting is for family consumption, this operation is done manually in the cultivated fields.

Women and children normally carry out this task. When harvesting is done for commercial purposes, men catch insects using iron traps folded into a cone shape leading to a large bucket, which collects the falling insects.

They place the trap under a bright light and set smoke under it (light attracts insects and smoke inhibits their ability to fly). Usually, men carry out the trading activities while women are in charge of the cleaning and processing of insects. Senene are either sold fresh or processed.

Senene may be boiled, fried, toasted but not eaten raw since it is considered a taboo to do so. For the preparation of senene, inedible body parts (i.e. wings and appendages) are removed by scratching the insects with wood ashes. Later on, senene are boiled in water or a spiced broth.

At this point, insects are eaten or may be used as an ingredient for other preparations such as smoking, toasting, deep-frying, sun-drying. Processed senene can be stored for up to 12 months.

For smoking, senene are rolled

in fresh banana leaves (ekyangwe) then placed on the kitchen roof locally called obutala.

The firewood used for senene smoking is from trees with slight or no smell. Senene is a delicacy normally reserved for men and in-laws.

A reception with a plate of these insects is a symbol of respect and acceptance to the family.

Despite its role in food security and its potential for improving the livelihoods of rural farmers, the presence of senene has decreased over time. According to local people climate change, the use of chemicals in the crop fields and overharvesting threaten the future of this local food source.

Indeed, they are favourite snacks especially to the Haya people! These are mere grasshoppers which women do catch them in the grasses twice a year in Kagera Region.

The season is from November to December and April to June. During this period, residents of the region are busy harvesting the same for free for their consumption and business as well.

Residents of Kagera say those who have never eaten or tasted senene, cannot know its sweetness and benefits.

They taste like a roasted meat and are full of proteins. "It's hard for a stranger and here we mean a non-Haya to eat the snack at the beginning, but if he/she manages to try testing, they become good and permanent customers of the delicious food," affirms Gregory Kaijage, a resident of the region.

In Haya tribe, senene are known as 'ensenene'. They are being harvested by picking them on the grass, then they are washed with clean water and dried before they are fried and consumed as snacks. When visitors visit the locals in the region, they are often welcomed with this package of snack as a gift to show love but also respect. It is said if a Haya girl is engaged, she usually sends a small package of senene to her fiancée, and the fiancée in return gives back a local made gift of Kitenge or cash. Kitenge is an East African piece of fabric often worn by women and wrapped around the waist and or as a baby sling.

On how the insects are harvested, Kaijage says in previous years, they used to pick them up from the grass after they fell during the night. People especially women used to wake up early in the morning and go to see if they have fallen down which in Haya tribe the action is called 'kulinga'. Then, a special alarm call is raised to alert to let them know that there are plenty of those insects in the grass. That's when people come out in large numbers to pick them up.

Harvesting the same has taken a new twist compared to previous years. Currently, senene have become a big business, so people have designed modern ways and traps to catch them easily by using bright lights and thus catch them in large quantities. How they are prepared depends on the amount of senene harvested and the needs. Preparation begins by washing them with clean water and then



drying them in the sun before removing their legs, wings and sensing antennae. Then they are either boiled a little bit until they turn from green to yellow in colours or fry them by cooking oil ready for consumption and or vend.

It is during this time the Haya people do a big business by transporting them from Kagera to other regions of Tanzania, and by so doing they distribute love and introduce Haya culture across Tanzania.



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## 'Ngorongoro Crater Best global tourism destination'

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

**T**HE world's influential travel advisor outfit has declared Tanzania's Ngorongoro Crater global 2023 Best of the Best tourism destination, flying the country's flag high.

Overwhelming reviews from millions of Tripadvisor travellers have placed Ngorongoro Crater, a key tourist attraction within the mighty Ngorongoro Conservation Area in northern tourism circuit, in the top list of allure in the world.

"Ngorongoro Crater is the Tripadvisor travellers' choice Best of the Best 2023," the world's leading travel platform

servicing about 400 million tourists per month and organiser of the annual travellers' choice award says.

Ngorongoro volcano blew its top millions of years ago, leaving behind the world's largest intact caldera. Inside the crater—covering more than 100 square miles—is an ecosystem that is home to over 25,000 wildlife animals.

"You'll have a great chance of spotting lions, as there's a higher density here than anywhere else on earth, along with leopards. Black rhinos are also a common sight, as are hippos, zebras, hyenas...the list goes on and on," Tripadvisor writes.

Outside the crater, more than a million wildebeests sweep through during the great migration, the statement reads in part, adding that one can also see signs of the first known human ancestor, who walked these plains 1.9 million years ago, at nearby Olduvai Gorge.

"This is the best reward off, all for not only Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority, but also for the entire country, as it puts the nation in the world's map as one of the premier tourism destinations," says Ngorongoro Conservation Area Authority (NCAA) Conservation Commissioner, Dr

Freddy Manongi, who credited to be an exemplary leader of the area for the last eight years.

Dr. Manongi, who is a renowned conservationist, is extremely proud of his entire team operating in Ngorongoro Conservation Area for working tirelessly to ensure the Ngorongoro Crater remains intact, a move that brings about a huge global recognition.

"The nature of our work is silent. We work behind the scenes within the jungle, we couldn't imagine the world is watching us and would one day even recognise our efforts

as is the case now," explains the NCAA chief, expressing his earnest gratitude to the anonymous travellers who voted for the unique destination.

In a big picture, Dr. Manongi who has been recognized by tourism key players as unsung hero in sustainable conservation, sees the recognition going a long way in complementing efforts of the Tanzania President, Samia Suluhu Hassan, of unlocking tourism potential through the Tanzania: The Royal Tour film, where Ngorongoro Crater prominently featured.

"Tourism is Samia Suluhu Hassan's strategic industry for

spurring the economy of the country through its multiplier effects. So, this feat comes at the opportune moment, as it complements our heads of state mission," he explains.

Called the 8th Wonder of the World and stretching across some 8,300 square kilometres, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA) boasts having a blend of landscapes, wildlife, people and archaeology that is unsurpassed in Africa.

The 809,440-hectare NCA spans vast expanses of highland plains, savanna, savanna woodlands and forests from the plains of the Serengeti National Park in northwest to the

eastern arm of the great rift valley.

It includes the spectacular Ngorongoro Crater, the world's largest caldera, and Olduvai Gorge, a 14-km-long deep ravine.

The property has global importance for biodiversity conservation, given the presence of worldwide threatened species such as black Rhino, the density of wildlife inhabiting the Ngorongoro Crater and surrounding areas throughout the year, and the annual migration of wildebeest, zebra, Thompson's and Grant's gazelles and other ungulates into the northern plains.



# The potential role of insurance in protecting the most vulnerable

By Jamie Cummings

**S**MALL Island Developing States (or SIDS) have been talking about loss and damage in an insurance context since the creation of the UNFCCC. The original 1990s outline of the UNFCCC included the proposal for an international insurance fund that would compensate low-lying countries for losses from rising sea levels in the future, however, this fund was never adopted in the final text.

The 2023 Climate Conference COP27 in Sharm put loss and damage clearly on the political agenda with the agreement to set up a Transitional Committee to seek to establish a fund for Loss and Damage and to look at other ways to help countries and people address disasters.

Today the conversations around insurance in regard to loss and damage have shifted. Some argue that insurance comes up short when addressing loss and damage. For example, one idea of an insurance fund would require all parties, including those from the Global South, who have contributed the least to global emissions, to buy in and share the risk burden.

This idea negates the historical responsibility of the Global North as leading polluters. Experts continue to debate where insurance belongs in climate financing and this article intends to highlight some critical thinkers in the space.

Paul Hudson, a lecturer of Environmental Economics at the University of York and frequent contributor to the International Science Council, contends that insurance can still be a useful tool for addressing natural hazards and climate impacts if its function in the private or public sector is previously determined.

"In order for society to have a great degree of adaptive capacity we still need to work out what is the actual role we expect insurance to achieve," Hudson said.

According to Hudson, the ideas of insurance in the public and private sectors are in contention. In discussions around insurance, people often use the language of private responsibility in relation to a compensation fund but what may be more necessary is for people to simply have an accessible and affordable means of compensation, which is the role of a public good.

An additional fear is that countries fall back on the private insurance sector too often when they have yet to provide the funding for adaptation and mitigation, which puts the commitment to losses and damages in question. Still, perhaps there is a role for the private and public insurance sector despite its shortcomings.

Experts are considering ways to integrate both private and public solutions so the most vulnerable populations are protected from climate-induced losses and damages.

Raghuvver Vinukollu, Senior Vice President and Climate Resilience and Solutions Lead at Munich Reinsurance America, Inc., argues that an integrated approach could provide a sustainable and affordable solution to the question of insurance. Vinukollu supports a bottom-up and top-down process to address resiliency.

Resilience from both angles aims



Experts continue to debate where insurance belongs in climate financing. Credit: Peter Richards/IPS

to mitigate the protection gap caused by high costs. Such a model underscores the importance of community resilience as well as risk prevention, promoting the whole of society's safety from risk rather than the few who can afford a premium.

Again, prevention is critical but fails to address the question of losses and damages which have already occurred. If vulnerable communities are

faced with climate disasters, they must have community resilience (i.e., resources), which can be secured through accessible insurance.

Waterfront Alliance is a company that strives to build community resilience in part through education. Joseph Sutkowi, the group's Chief Waterfront Design Officer, explains that it is critical to standardize aspects of design and make

such knowledge accessible.

In this way, architects and engineers from around the world can create infrastructure built for the community and will be resilient in the face of natural disasters. Additionally, spreading awareness about flood risk or other climate hazards can in turn raise awareness around purchasing insurance that could be critical to forming communities that can recover

from disasters. The crucial piece of this argument on the implementation of insurance mechanisms is that they must not exclude the most vulnerable groups, including low-income communities. Here, Mathieu Verougstraete, Lead on Disaster Risk Reduction Financing and Infrastructure Resilience for UNDRR, suggests countries from the Global North have a role to play.

Verougstraete asserts that international cooperation would allow donor countries to step in and provide a mechanism to ensure that insurance remains affordable and still provides the protection the vulnerable countries need. Brandon Mathews works directly with these vulnerable nations to meet their needs. Mathews is the head of the Vulnerable 20 (V20) Sustainable Insurance Facility within the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). The facility funds insurance for micro, small, and medium enterprises which are the "cornerstone of economies."

Aligning with vulnerable groups means giving them ownership. Oda Henriksen, Climate Risk Manager for Food Security as a Financing Advisor at United Nations World Food Program (UN WFP), has highlighted ownership as a key finding based on case studies in Belize and Nicaragua with insurance programs.

UN WFP argues that local government and private sector contributions, as well as consumer empowerment, are essential for a sustainable approach to insurance in disaster risk reduction.

Held on June 1st the Insurance Development Forum signed an agreement to advance the Global Resilience Index with the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) to "help countries, financial institutions and investors, map and quantify their current and future climate and disaster risks and demonstrate the benefits of investing in resilience."

With Loss and Damage now near the center of the political preparations for the upcoming Climate Summit COP28 in Dubai in December then a menu of approaches will be explored. Within this menu perhaps there is a role for the insurance sector (in either a private or public sector capacity) if done the right way.

A strong insurance system should examine all of the stipulations raised by experts in the field. The system must also be continuously revised to meet the evolving demands of vulnerable climate communities. With livelihoods at risk, potential solutions must be critiqued and considered from all angles.

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Tropical cyclone Freddy caused severe damage to the coastal communities of Mozambique and Malawi early this year, including destruction of homes, buildings and infrastructure.



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## BUSINESS

## Air Tanzania's cargo plane begins international flights

By Guardian Reporter

**A**IR Tanzania Company Limited (ATCL) began its first international scheduled cargo flight last Friday using its Boeing 767-300F cargo plane that arrived in the country last month.

This was revealed by the airline's Director of Commerce, Patrick Ndekana as he addressed journalists

at the Julius Nyerere International Airport (JNIA), in Dar es Salaam.

Ndekana said Dubai bound flights will be twice a week and the airline's responsibility will be to make sure products from both local and foreign producers reach their various destinations in time.

"Today we are glad to officially launch our cargo flight schedule for our new long range cargo plane Boeing 767-300F with a ca-

capacity to carry 54 tonnes, and with regard to Dubai, there will be two flights per week, Mondays and Fridays," he said.

Elaborating on the plane's ability, Ndekana said it is a modern aircraft able to fly 850 km per hour and can fly for 10 hours without refueling.

With regard to the aircraft experts, he said ATCL has six Tanzanian pilots who are experienced to fly the plane, including tech-

nicians.

He expressed his thanks to President Samia Suluhu Hassan, for continuing to enable the airline cooperates commercially.

For his part, cargo transport agent, George Magoti said the plane is a saviour for traders in the country as it will help them reduce their air transport costs.

He explained that due to large volume of the cargo, it is virtually impossible to uplift it via passenger

planes, they would have been forced to hire a cargo plane from outside the country for the task.

He explained that the cargo loaded into the ATCL cargo plane will be airlifted direct to Dubai, from where it will be transported to the US fast and with ease.

The plan to buy a cargo plane aims to ease goods transport to and from Tanzania thereby adding value to the goods in the country.



Namtumbo district commissioner (C), Ngollo Malenya (R), receives a state-of-the-art chemical analyzer machine from Mantra's managing director Aleksandr Ryabchenko. Photo by Valentine Oforo

## Mantra inks 5-year plan for Ruvuma regional economy

By Correspondent Valentine Oforo, Ruvuma

MANTRA Tanzania Ltd has embarked on a new program to uplift the availability and provisions of key social services in Ruvuma region.

To be executed in five consecutive years (2023-2028), the humanitarian project is part of the company's commitment to attain its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) objectives.

Speaking during a recently special tour of the Ruvuma regional and Namtumbo district offices, Mantra's Managing Director, Aleksandr Ryabchenko, emphasized the importance of prioritizing social responsibility in the company's operations.

He unveiled that the company was currently working to improve social services delivery for local communities in Ruvuma region, particularly across in the Namtumbo and Likuyu wards.

"The envisaged plan will focus to promote water accessibility and its supply chain, food and nutrition, education, healthcare, entertainment (sports and culture) and providing alternative livelihood by investing in sustainable projects that improve the socio-economic status of the region," he unveiled.

He said the company has partnered with local organizations to provide training and employment opportunities for the residents of the Namtumbo and Likuyu wards, contributing to the region's economy and empowering the local communities.

"Mantra team has been holding meetings at the district, ward, and village levels to ensure the CSR investments align with the community's needs," he emphasized.

Ryabchenko noted that on April 6, 2023, he led a meeting with villagers

from the three villages they're operating, including Mtonya, Likuyu Seka, and Likuyu Mandela, to determine the areas where their investment would be beneficial and the company has started implantation of the agreed issues from the Likuyu ward.

Speaking for her part, the Namtumbo District Commissioner (DC) Ngollo Malenya, Mantra has been annually committed over US\$100,000 to the district to help support implementation of numerous social projects, as part of its CSR.

"The company's efforts to promote sustainable development are commendable and should serve as an example for other mining companies in Tanzania and across the continent" the DC noted. During the visit, the company has also donated a Chemical Analyzer Machine (CAM), worth around 30mn/- to the Namtumbo District Hospital to aid its medical team in providing quality healthcare to patients.

The machine was presented to the District Commissioner during Ryabchenko's visit to the District Commissioner's office.

Mantra Tanzania Limited, a TENEX subsidiary company under the ROSATOM, is currently in the final stages of completing its construction of a pilot plant in Namtumbo and expects to commence pilot production before the end of this year.

Mantra Tanzania Limited was granted a Special Mining License in April 2013.

Despite postponing the project implementation timeline due to the global Uranium price weakening, the company has invested over US\$240,000,000 in the Mkuju River Project since discovering a significant world-class uranium deposit in 1996.



CRDB Bank chief commercial officer Boma Raballa (R) and the Culture and Arts Trust Fund chief executive officer Nyakaho Mahemba (L) pictured in Dar es Salaam on Saturday exchanging signed agreement documents for offering credits to artists and other stakeholders. Photo by Guardian Correspondent

## Culture Fund, CRDB Bank partner to expand loans to artists

Guardian Reporter

After six months of experience in lending to artists, the Culture and Arts Trust Fund has signed an agreement with CRDB Bank to extend its lending portfolio through the bank's branch networks across the country.

As at December 2022, the fund has so far issued credits amounting to 1.07bn/- to 45 cultural and arts projects, of which 29 are men led and 12 are led by women.

Speaking during the signing of the agreement, the minister of culture, arts and sports Dr Pindi Chana said since the start of the fund's lending, the government has experienced huge demands for

financing cultural and arts projects.

"We want this loans to be accessed everywhere there are artists in order to promote talents because everyone has realized the benefits of arts and culture. The access of these credits to CRDB Bank branch network will reduce costs to artists from traveling to Dar es Salaam at the fund's headquarters," she said.

She said the government has also started to seek opportunities for artists outside the country through participating different international festivals to expand their network and incomes.

"These loans are accessed at the interest rate of nine percent, which is lower than the market rate.

I urge all artists to exploit this opportunity," she said.

The chairman of the fund's board of trustees Abdulmajid Nsekela said will ensure that artistic and cultural works are improved commercially to create jobs for many youths through giving credits and training since 2020.

"Out of previous loans, men have received 737mn/- while women have borrowed 275mn/-. One group has received 10mn/- and three companies have borrowed 55mn/-. The repayment is encouraging at the rate of 88 percent and we want to ensure that we enhance supervision to expand the rate to 95 percent," he said.

He said the fund has offered training to 7,216

stakeholders in Dar es Salaam, Arusha, Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Morogoro, Tanga and Pwani as well as supporting the purchase of working facilities to five training institutions including Simba Scratch Academy, Koshuma Training Institute, Mwanamboka Ujuzi-Hub, Dage School of Dressing and AM Fashion.

"I would like to inform you that, this programme will become a solution to challenges facing artists as we are fulfilling the dreams of President Samia Suluhu Hassan," Nsekela, who is also the CRDB Bank managing director said.

Speaking during the signing of an agreement, the CRDB Bank chief commercial officer Boma Raballa said the bank will

ensure that the fund's objectives are reached.

"We are confident that in collaborating with the ministry of culture, arts and sports and other government institutions, the objectives will be reached. We have also seen the government efforts to build friendly environment for culture, arts and sports stakeholders to benefit their works through creativity personally and their families," he said.

He said in order to access credit from 200,000/- to 100mn/-, interested borrowers are required to send their application to the fund's office spread across the country for verification before they are sent to CRDB Bank branch by the fund.

## Absa launches strategy to overcome Africa challenges

By Francis Kajubi

In a bid to help Africa to overcome economic challenges, Absa Bank has launched a new purpose dubbed "Empowering Africa's tomorrow, together - one story at a time."

Speaking with bank's employees from different parts of the country in Dar es Salaam over the weekend, Absa Bank Tanzania managing director Obedi Laiser said that as a financial institution, they have seen that it is good for them to come up with business strategies that match with main purpose of the bank and the reason of its existing in Tanzania and Africa.

"Our main purpose is together to empower Africa tomorrow step by step, the meaning is that whatever we do, and all our strategies that we want to implement its main basis is to empower the continent of Africa together step by step," he said.



Absa Bank Tanzania managing director, Obedi Laiser (R), addresses the bank's employees at the function held in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. Photo by Guardian Correspondent

"As an Absa institution, we want to work with all the stakeholders that are in our continent step by step, to enable the employees we work with,

the traders, our customers, but also the community we do business with, the village, district, the region and the country we do business with to

ensure that all we get positive results."

He said, Absa Bank Tanzania, as part of Africa has a great responsi-

bility to carry out this great role in implementing the purpose to enable Tanzania to take steps placing more emphasis on the future.

He said that in order to achieve that they will collaborate with all stakeholders to empower one person to another; the bank is building one brick after brick but creating a masterpiece at the end of the day, whether that masterpiece is small or big.

"Today we are launching this purpose but also we want to include it in our strategy because is a business issue, but our main purpose is not make profit and to foster business alone but when all these changes are making step further should go parallel with our employees, our customers and the community at large," he said.

"Today we are launching this purpose, we want to include it in our strategy, because strategy is a business issue, our main purpose is not

to make profit and foster business alone but when all these are taking place grow the business alone, but when that happens we want to see that we enable our employees, our customers and the community to take action."

Regarding empowering the business community, Laiser commended the sixth phase government under the leadership of President Samia Suluhu Hassan for opening up opportunities and creating a conducive environment for business people to run their businesses in the country.

"The government has shown the way, we as private sector and stakeholders support these efforts implemented by government by empowering our employees, our customers, And Absa has launched a very specialized service for small, medium and large businesses that enable them to do their business smooth including digital payment systems," he said.



# WMA insists on verification of filling station pumps

By Correspondent Joseph Mwendopole

The Weight and Measures Agency (WMA), has asked the owners of petrol stations to ensure that the pumps they are using have stickers of the agency to show that they have been verified.

The call was made over the weekend by the Acting Chief Executive Officer of

WMA, Stela Kahwa, when speaking at the ongoing International Trade Fair at Mwalimu Julius Nyerere grounds, Temeke Dar es Salaam.

She said that WMA conducted an inspection all around the country and verified the pumps used to measure petrol and diesel as a strategy to ensure that the user of fuel is not cheated.

She asked people who buy petrol and diesel to

ensure that the pump used has a WMA sticker to show that it has been inspected and verified.

"The fuel buyer should check the WMA sticker if it is there, if the meter has not been inspected or verified, move to another pump or another station because we want to ensure value for money," she said.

She said that even the weight machines that measure the products in the shops have been in-

spected and fixed with WMA stickers, so it is the responsibility of the people to check whether the scales have been fixed with stickers to avoid tampering.

She said they have been helping small entrepreneurs to grow and penetrate international markets by instructing them on the best way to package their products in a modern way.

"If you make a mistake

in packaging and labeling, it means that your products may be rejected in the international market or even in the local and East African markets, that's why we visit them and educate them," she said.

In addition, she said that after the training, many small businessmen who have come to this year's exhibition have shown great success and improvement compared to previous years.

"We always give this education to them for free and they have admitted that it has helped them penetrate foreign markets and even in the packaging they have improved. If you visit them at these exhibitions, you can really see how they have improved their business," she said.

She said that WMA is a member of the World Measurement Federation, so it is responsible for managing measurements

for all products produced in the country and those imported from abroad.

She said that in order for the products produced in this country to be able to access large international markets, they have to follow the standards and instructions of international organizations in the world.

"We manage the business in the sense of health, safety and the environment, some people think that we only manage the

weight machines in butchers and the scales in the shops but we manage all the measurements used in the business regarding weight and height," she said.

She said they measure natural gas, water and electricity meters and now they are moving towards measuring the levels of sound and noise complained about in the entertainment halls so that there are acceptable levels.

# GF Trucks offering equipment discount at Sabasaba

By Francis Kajubi

THE Kibaha-based vehicle assembler GF Trucks & Equipment Ltd has called upon stakeholders in the construction, transportation and mining sectors to enjoy the price reduction for machines and trucks sold in the ongoing 47th Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair (DITF).

GF trucks for 16 years now has been assembling vehicles and machinery from manufacturers namely XCMG, FAW and Tipper to serve for construction and mining operations.

GF Trucks senior marketing officer Paul Msuku said on Saturday that the company has decided to invest in

servicing all stakeholders in the mining, construction and transportation sectors by selling its products at affordable prices.

He said that since last year, the company has developed a mechanism to enable small mining companies to acquire machinery loans at low cost.

"GF Trucks is a partner and dealer of XCMG machines in Tanzania.

This year XCMG has marked 80 years in this business;

It has devoted itself more to enabling small-scale miners to get mining equipment at affordable prices and loans," said Msuku.

He said the XCMG Company has large plants with modern technology and encouraged people



GF Trucks senior marketing officer Paul Msuku (R) clarifies a point about XCMG machinery at the DITF on Saturday. Photo: The Guardian Correspondent.

to buy its products during this period of price reduction.

"In recognition of stakeholders with small capital, we have decided to have an offer for our customers while celebrating 80 years of XCMG's existence," he said.

He said that GF Trucks in collaboration with financial institutions have started a procedure to enable contractors and small miners to acquire machines so that they can bring competition to

big companies.

President of Tanzania Miners' Association (FEMATA), John Bina urged the miners to explore the opportunity.

Previously, FEMATA through STAMICO entered into an agreement with the GF Trucks Company to cooperate in ensuring that the miners are relieved by being given tools at a low cost.

Bina congratulated the company and asked them to continue opening offices in all areas with mines so that

miners can benefit.

As of this month, the company has opened offices in Ruvuma and Mbeya regions; the lake zone in Geita and plans to open a new office in Chunya district.

He said that in realizing the price reduction called Sabasaba special, the company has focused on selling machinery used for construction projects such as XCMG Motor grade.

He said that local contractors with construction

projects have all it takes to explore the opportunity as the new financial year has just started and national contractors are a priority.

The company sells heavy trucks and machines such as FAW, HONG YANG and Tipper used in various activities when there are sand quarries and in some councils they have been used to collect garbage.

This year's DITF goes by the theme "Tanzania: Your Best Destination for Business and Investment."

# Bolt surpasses 150mn customers, appoints new CFO

By Guardian Correspondent

Bolt has announced it has surpassed 150 million customers in over 45 countries and 500 cities.

Bolt's 150 million customers are spread across its suite of mobility products which include ride-hailing, micromobility (scooter and e-bike rental), food delivery, grocery delivery, Bolt Drive, a free-floating car-sharing service, and Bolt Business, a corporate mobility service.

In a statement issued yesterday, Bolt has also announced there are now over 3.5 million partners (drivers and couriers) using the app to earn a living, including over 1 million in Africa alone.

The new figures have been released on the same day that Mikko Salovaara has been announced as Bolt's new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and just days after the business' 2022 Annual Report showed it had made significant year-on-year profitability gains.

Despite significant headwinds including a surge in inflation, rising interest rates and an uncertain macroeconomic outlook across many markets, Bolt increased its revenue significantly and is on track to become the first European mobility platform to be fully profitable within the next 12 months.

Markus Villig, Founder and CEO of Bolt, said: "Our core principles have remained the same since we were founded ten years ago - by being the most operationally efficient mobility platform in the world we can provide incredible value to our customers and partners. Having great service and attractive prices drive our industry leading growth, and we're proud to now serve 150 million customers across 45 countries. This extraordinary scale will allow us to reach profitability over the next 12 months."

"Bringing Mikko's expertise on board at this crucial time for the business will be invaluable as we continue our focus on long-term and sustainable growth, and begin our preparations for IPO."

Mikko Salovaara, Bolt's incoming Chief Financial Officer, said: "In an industry where it is notoriously hard to operate profitably, Bolt stands head and shoulders above its competitors. The culture of maximising operational efficiency which was instilled by Markus ten years ago continues to guide the business today and has left Bolt well-positioned to reach and maintain long term profitability. I look forward to being part of this next stage in Bolt's journey as the business prepares for IPO."

Mikko will take up his new role with Bolt later this month.

The new 150 million customer milestone and the appointment of Mikko Salovaara as CFO have been announced as Bolt marks ten years since the business was founded by a then 19-year old Markus Villig in Tallinn, Estonia.

After initially starting as a ride-hailing app in 2013 when Markus personally recruited drivers on the streets of Tallinn, Bolt has undergone dramatic growth in recent years.

Launching food delivery in 2019, followed by scooter rentals in 2020, and grocery delivery and car-sharing in 2021.

# UDSM researchers create mud for gas, mining, water drilling

By Correspondent Beatrice Philemon

THE University of Dar es Salaam has come up with

a new product called drilling mud that can be used in drilling operation of oil and gas borehole, water bore-

holes, geothermal borehole and mining sites.

Dr. Makungu Madirisha, Lecturer College of Natu-

ral and Applied Sciences (CoNA)'s chemistry department, said yesterday at the on-going 47th Dar es Salaam

International Trade Fair (DITF).

He said the mud is eco-friendly compared to the

current mud in the market because it has additives which are biodegradable and is water based rather than oil.

"Before coming with this project in 2017, we got concerns from different stakeholders that the current used mud are imported from abroad and costly, not environmentally friendly and cause corrosion of drilling equipment and have low performance," he said.

"After getting this concern, we wrote a research proposal to the office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor research UDSM for funding."

He said that the UDSM's management later funded the project and they have been able to come up with two new products formulated from two different clay minerals.

Apart from that, the project also engaged students at studying bachelor's and master's degrees to formulate the products.

According to him, a total of four students have benefited through the project and two published research articles online.

Highlighting on characteristic of drilling mud, he said they are comparable with International Standards such as American Petroleum Institute Standard (API).

He said any stakeholder willing to obtain the products is invited to visit at UDSM mlimani campus.



Iringa resident Marko Kigaya (R) shakes hands with Airtel zonal business manager Fadhili Mwasebya when receiving a new fridge after emerging winner of an ongoing promotion campaign. The event was held in Iringa municipality. Looking on is Airtel official Eliza Mwaga. Photo by Guardian Correspondent







## WORLD

## UN chief condemns airstrike in Omdurman, Sudan

UNITED NATIONS / KHARTOUM

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has condemned the airstrike in the Sudanese city of Omdurman near Khartoum, which reportedly killed at least 22 people, said his deputy spokesman on Saturday.

In a statement, Guterres offered his condolences to the victims' families in Saturday's attack and hoped for a speedy recovery to the dozens of injured people, said Farhan Haq, the deputy spokesman.

The secretary-general is appalled by reports of large-scale violence and casualties across Darfur in western Sudan.

He is also concerned about reports of renewed fighting in North Kordofan, South Kordofan and Blue Nile states.

There is an utter disregard for humanitarian and human rights law that is dangerous and disturbing, according to a statement.

Guterres remained deeply concerned that the ongoing military conflict has pushed Sudan to the brink of a full-scale civil war, potentially destabilizing the entire region.

He reiterated his call for the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces to cease fighting and urged both to abide by their obligations under the international humanitarian and human



UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres addresses the media during a visit to the UN office in the capital Nairobi, Kenya on May 3, 2023. AP

rights law to protect civilians.

The United Nations would continue to push for international efforts under the African Union to end the conflict, the statement added.

According to Khartoum State's Health Ministry, the air strike in Dar al-Salam al-Amriya area, west of Omdurman, at dawn on Saturday killed 22 people and left a large number of oth-

ers wounded.

The Sudanese Army has not yet commented on the incident. The paramilitary Rapid Support Forces condemned in a statement what it called "the systematic bombing by planes" on Saturday morning on citizens in a number of residential neighborhoods west of Omdurman.

Xinhua

## Introduction of advanced developments key to Russia's national progress - Putin

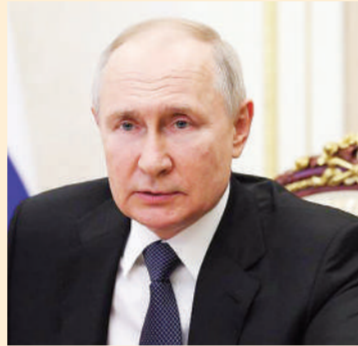
MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin has sent greetings to participants, organizers and guests of the Future Technologies Forum that is taking place under the motto 'Ahead of Time', according to a statement released on the Kremlin's website on Sunday.

"This year's Forum is dedicated to quantum technologies, which can be used in a wide scope of areas: computers of new generation, the development and cre-

ation of unique medicines and materials, optimization of energy networks and logistics, as well as secure data transmission channels, ultra-sensitive measuring instruments, medicine and security," the statement reads.

"Today, amidst unprecedented external challenges and, most importantly, the sweeping, high-quality renovation of industry, agriculture and all sectors of the Russian economy, public administration and the social sphere, it is fundamentally important that



the advanced developments of our engineers and researchers be introduced as quickly as possible. This is the key to strengthen-

ing our technological sovereignty and, hence, national progress and the improved well-being of our citizens," Putin noted in the message.

The forum will become a tradition and aims to provide an open platform for dialogue between representatives of the government, business and scientists in order to develop joint steps for research and technology in areas that will shape global development and the future of mankind in the near term, while Russia's top

priority is to use the enormous potential of such innovative solutions to ensure economic growth and improve the quality of people's lives, the president added.

"I would like to point out that foreign experts will also be taking part in the upcoming meetings. I see this as a good opportunity to establish mutually beneficial cooperation and promising technological partnerships and implement joint breakthrough projects," he said.

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## US special envoy to travel to India

WASHINGTON

US special envoy Uzra Zeya will travel to India next week, the US State Department said on Friday.

This visit comes a few weeks after Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent maiden State visit to the US. Uzra Zeya, US Under Secretary of State for democracy and human rights, will travel to India and Bangladesh July 8-14, informed US State Department.

In India, she will meet with senior government officials to discuss deepening and enduring US-India partnership, including advancing shared solutions to global challenges, democracy, regional stability, and cooperation on humanitarian relief, according to a press release.

Zeya's upcoming trip follows a June visit by PM Modi where President Joe Biden and the Indian leader touted deals on defence and commerce aimed at countering China's global influence.

In both countries, Under Secretary Zeya will engage with civil society organisations on freedom of expression and association, and inclusion of women and girls, persons with disabilities, and vulnerable groups, including marginalised religious and ethnic minorities, the release said.

Earlier, the special envoy had travelled to India in March last year, a trip that focused on collaboration on human rights, democratic governance and advancing humanitarian priorities.

Zeya was appointed as the special coordinator for Tibet-India Issues in December 2021. ANI



External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar with Tanzania Foreign Minister Stergomena Lawrence Tax during the 10th India-Tanzania Joint Commission on Economic, Technical and Scientific Cooperation, in Dar es Salaam on Saturday. ANI

## African Integration Day marked with call for accelerating job creation, financial inclusion

ADDIS ABABA

AFRICAN Integration Day was marked on Friday with the call for African Union (AU) members to accelerate job creation, digital and financial inclusion as they strive to realize the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

Speaking at the celebration of the day which was part of the African Employment Creation Forum at the AU Headquarters in the Ethiopian capital of Addis Ababa, Monique Nsanzabaganwa, deputy chairperson of the AU Commission, urged members to create plenty of jobs through industrialization, technological advancement, and invest-

ments.

"Otherwise, it will be very hard for each African Union member state to achieve the middle-income status by 2033," Nsanzabaganwa warned, noting that a significant number of African women and youth are suffering a lot due to exclusion from educational opportunities, work, and access to digital

tools. She said the AU is engaged in mobilizing 100 billion U.S. dollars in a bid to create 10 million small and medium enterprises (SMEs) across the continent as part of its effort to ensure that women and youth are part of the digital and financial world by 2033.

Xinhua

## China speeds up development of internet of vehicles

THANKS to the rapid development of the new generation of information technologies, vehicles are getting more and more intelligent in China.

The country is witnessing burgeoning intelligent connected vehicles and the internet of vehicles industry. Urban traffic management has been improved, which brings better traveling experiences to passengers.

Internet of vehicles is an inter-connection function accessing the network for in-vehicle devices through wireless communication

technology. With the internet of vehicles, dynamic information about vehicles can be uploaded to online platforms and then provided various services when running on the roads.

It is mainly applied in pilot assist, autopilot, and intelligent traffic management.

The internet of vehicles can effectively improve people's traveling experiences. An executive of Chinese carmaker BYD told People's Daily that the company's internet of vehicles products today feature all-scenario applications.

Before getting into a BYD vehicle, the owner can remotely unlock the car, control the air conditioning, disinfect the interior, and check the status of the vehicle on a mobile application. BYD vehicles come with rich pilot assist functions that make driving easier under multiple scenarios, and offer various entertainment services when they are parked.

Besides, users can lock the vehicles on mobile phones and check vehicle information anytime and anywhere after leaving the cars.

Autopilot has constantly ex-

panded its application scenarios, which not only facilitates the daily life of people, but also improves traffic efficiency. Today, many express parcel delivery vehicles, street sweepers and sightseeing buses are unmanned, running on both enclosed roads in parks and open streets in cities.

It is also employed by container trucks in port areas. For instance, containers at a terminal in the Taicang port in east China's Jiangsu province, after being lifted by automatic quay cranes, are carried by autopilot container trucks to

their destinations along the driving routes measured by the system.

The intelligent transportation system enabled by the internet of vehicles is forcefully driving the construction of smart cities. Jiangsu's Wuxi city has built a national comprehensive testing center for intelligent traffic, which, based on traffic management data collected by the police, reminds drivers of vehicle illegal processing, urban roadblock information, as well as safety and emergency warning.

In Suzhou of Jiangsu province, passengers getting off high-speed

trains can board autopilot buses immediately after exiting the train station, or order unmanned taxis on mobile applications.

According to statistics released by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT), 7 million intelligent connected vehicles with pilot assist systems were sold in China last year, up 45.6 percent year-on-year. During the same period, 48 percent of new energy vehicles in the country were equipped with pilot assist systems.

The Chinese market of intelligent vehicles may hit nearly 1 tril-

lion yuan (\$138.65 billion) by 2025, said a white paper issued by the China Academy of Information and Communication Technology.

In April this year, the MIIT announced to build national pilot zones of the internet of vehicles in Xiangyang of central China's Hubei province, Deqing of east China's Zhejiang province and Liuzhou of south China's Guangxi Zhuang autonomous region. So far, China has approved seven such pilot zones, including the previously unveiled ones in Jiangsu, Tianjin, Hunan and Chongqing. People's Daily

## Great future beckons for Lumwana as Barrick unlocks potential

LUMWANA, Zambia

BARRICK Gold Corporation's drive to transform the Lumwana copper mine into a Tier One asset with a life extending beyond 2060 is picking up speed with a strong performance in the past quarter adding impetus to its continuing production ramp-up.

Briefing media at a site visit here today, Barrick president and chief executive Mark Bristow said the mine's full potential was only now being revealed.

Additional expansion opportunities, identified through an updated geological model, are currently being assessed, while drilling at the Kababisa prospect highlights potential mining flexibility through higher grades. The Lumwana pre-feasibility study is progressing in line with our plans to transform its long-term copper profile through the delivery of the envisioned super pit.

"Since Barrick refocused its strategy in Africa in 2019, Lumwana has become a key element in the expansion of our strategic copper portfolio and a significant contributor to our bottom line.

At the same time its importance to Zambia has grown. Since 2019 it has contributed more than \$2.3 billion to the country's economy in the form of royalties, taxes, salaries and purchases from local suppliers," he said.

Barrick has a global policy of sourcing its suppliers locally and last year it spent \$432 million, 83% of its total procurement, with Zambian suppliers and contractors. It has also launched a "Business Accelerator Program" to build the capacity of Zambian contractors in the mining supply chain.

Similarly, Barrick is committed to local employment. Currently 99.3% of Lumwana's employees and 98% of its contractors are Zambian nationals, both industry-leading statistics.

Lumwana is a participant in the United Nations' REDD+ project, which is designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation, and the mine has engaged with its communities on this initiative. Agencies

## Don't think Ukraine is ready for NATO membership - US President Joe Biden

WASHINGTON

US President Joe Biden said that he doesn't think Ukraine is ready for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) membership and added that NATO is a process that takes some time to meet all qualifications, from democratization to a whole range of other issues.



"I don't think it (Ukraine) is ready for membership in NATO," the US President said in an interview with CNN's Fareed Zakaria when asked about Ukraine's NATO membership. Biden said he doesn't think there is unanimity in NATO about whether or not to bring Ukraine into the NATO family in the middle of the war as that would mean the entire NATO is at war with Russia.

"I don't think there is unanimity in NATO about whether or not to bring Ukraine into the NATO family now, at this moment, in the middle of a war. If the war is going on, then we're all in the war. You know, we're at war with Russia, if that were the case. So I think we have to lay out a path for a rational path for Russia, for you and me, for Ukraine to be able to qualify to get into NATO," Biden said.

The US President said that when he met Putin two years ago, in Geneva, the Russian President said he wants commitments on no Ukraine and NATO.

"I said, we're not going to do that because it's an open door policy. We're not going to shut anybody out. NATO is a process that takes some time to meet all the qualifications and from democratization to a whole range of other issues," Biden said.

"So in the meantime, though, I've spoken with Zelenskyy at length about this. One of the things I indicated is the United States would be ready to provide while the process was going on. And it's going to take a while while that process is going on to provide security," he said.

"If there is an agreement, if there is a cease-fire, if there is a peace agreement, and so I think we can work it out. But I think it's premature to say to call for a vote, you know, in now because there are other qualifications to be reminded clearly in democratization and some of those issues," Biden added.

Meanwhile, the White House on Friday said Ukraine's entry into North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) will be discussed at the alliance's ensuing summit but it won't come out as a member.

Jake Sullivan, White House National Security Advisor, said that the summit to be held next week in Vilnius will highlight NATO's readiness to consider Ukraine's membership, which he termed a "milestone" in itself. ANI



# Ethiopian coffee exporters enjoy growing demand in China

ADDIS ABABA

COFFEE exporters in Ethiopia, known as the birthplace of Arabica coffee, are enjoying the rising coffee market in China as an increasing number of Chinese consumers tend to value Ethiopian coffee.

The growing demand for Ethiopian coffee in China with its fastest-growing economy has presented a potential market for coffee exporting countries such as Ethiopia, said Abdullah Bagersh, general manager of S.A. Bagersh Private Limited Company (PLC) in a recent interview with Xinhua.

"Over the last 5 to 10 years, we are seeing growing demand for Ethiopian coffee in China, and that has created one of the most promising coffee markets in the world," said Bagersh.

According to data from the International Coffee Organization, China's annual coffee consumption has expanded by an average rate of more than 15 percent over the past decade, while the international growth rate of coffee consumption stands at 2.2 percent.

Bagersh said the Chinese people, especially the youth, are shifting to drinking coffee, a situation propelling Chinese coffee importers to establish

business relations with their Ethiopian counterparts.

Jemal Abrar, coffee quality control deputy manager at Mullege Coffee Export PLC, one of the leading coffee exporting firms in Ethiopia, said Ethiopian coffee is winning growing demand in China and surrounding markets.

"We participated in the second China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo last year. Since then, we have enjoyed growing market share in China and exploited new market opportunities," Abrar told Xinhua.

The coffee market has been evolving over the years in China where tea has been a traditional drink, said Gizat Worku, chief executive officer of the Ethiopian Coffee Exporters Association, which is engaged in promoting Ethiopian coffee in the international market. "China is an emerging market for Ethiopian coffee exporters. Any businessman cannot ignore China whose market potential has turned out to be rich over time," Worku said.

According to Worku, Ethiopia's coffee export volume to China has seen impressive growth with an export volume of 4,200 tonnes in the 2019/2020 Ethiopian fiscal year, 8,400 tonnes in the 2020/2021 fiscal year, and 11,200 tonnes



A worker carries coffee beans in a warehouse at Mullege Coffee Export PLC, one of Ethiopia's leading coffee exporting firms, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, July 1, 2023. Xinhua

of coffee last fiscal year which ended on July 7, 2022.

Worku is optimistic that within the coming 10 years, more Ethiopian coffee might go to China and his association is ready to satisfy the growing demand there with timely delivery of the specialty coffee which he referred to as "de facto organic." "The Chinese population is there-well over 1.3 billion people. China's economy is becoming skyrocketing. It is a new emerging market, so the biggest market there is automatic," said Worku.

Indicating that Ethiopian coffee exporters have exhibited their products in different cities in China, Worku said the association is jointly working with the Chinese government and coffee buyers to better exploit the Chinese market through online meetings and aggressive promotion with the help of the Ethio-

pian Embassy in China.

Ahadu Woubshet, managing director of Moyee Coffee Roasting PLC, another coffee exporter in Ethiopia, said his company has enjoyed growing sales from the expanding coffee market in China. Woubshet said coffee drinking culture in China is growing from time to time and his company is enjoying increasing sales volume from the Chinese market.

"I am sure China will give a massive opportunity for Ethiopia as the coffee drinking culture is expanding among its people who also start to understand the rich flavors and varieties of the Ethiopian coffee," Woubshet said.

"If you look at the Chinese market, it is very big and has been doubling from year to year. So we are happy that the Chinese market is giving a lot of opportunities to Ethiopia."

The Ethiopian Coffee and Tea Authority recently announced that the East African nation earned 1.1 billion U.S. dollars between June 2022 and April 2023, and China became the seventh-largest importer of Ethiopian coffee during the period.

According to information obtained from the Ethiopian authority, coffee products generate 24 percent of the country's export income.

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## Women should be included in future of Afghanistan - UN

KABUL

AS Afghan women continue to live miserable lives under Taliban rule, the United Nations (UN) UN Women Executive Director Sima Bahous emphasized that women should be included in the future of Afghanistan, Khaama Press reported.

In response to the recent closure of women's beauty salons and hair salons, she stated that this is yet another setback for women's rights in the nation.

The Taliban declared on July 4th that all women's beauty parlours in the nation should be shut down. According to the Taliban's moral ministry, they also emphasised in their directive that women's beauty parlours should be closed on July 23.

This is the most recent limitation on Afghans' access to public areas, which also includes bans on visiting secondary schools, universities, gyms, bathhouses, parks, and even working for aid organisations.

According to a ministry notice, beauty salons for women must close within one month, according to Mohammad Sadiq Akif, a spokeswoman for the Ministry for the Prevention of Vice and Propagation of Virtue, reported Khaama Press.

Moreover, the ministry instructed the Kabul municipality to implement the most recent decision of the Taliban leader by revoking the licenses of women's beauty parlours.

As for the Taliban's ban on beauty parlours, Rina Amiri, the US representative for women's and girls' rights in Afghanistan, stated that it "removes another vital space for women's work at a time when they are struggling to feed their families, eliminates one of the few refuges for women outside the home & further transforms the country into a cruel & extreme outlier in the world," Khaama Press reported.

Afghanistan, under the Taliban, is facing its worst humanitarian crisis and the women of the country are denied fundamental rights.

According to a World Food Programme assessment, Afghanistan is one of the nations with extreme food insecurity, with nine million people affected by severe economic difficulties and hunger.

ANI

# Israeli protests reignite as new justice bill pushed

TEL AVIV

ISRAEL'S business hub Tel Aviv saw the biggest anti-government protest in weeks on Saturday against a renewed push by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's hard-right coalition to overhaul the justice system.

Tens of thousands demonstrated across the country, with the rally in Tel Aviv drawing crowds far larger than recent protests, news channels N12 News and Channel 13 reported.

Nationwide demonstrations began in January when the government announced a plan to overhaul the judiciary with a legislation package that would roll back some Supreme Court powers and give the coalition decisive sway in picking judges.

The protests subsided a little from late March when Ne-

tanyahu, under pressure at home and abroad, suspended the plan for compromise talks with opposition parties meant to reach broad agreement over justice reforms.

But, deeming the talks pointless last month, Netanyahu re-launched his government's quest to rein in what it sees as an overreaching, left-leaning and elitist Supreme Court, though he has said the new proposals are more moderate.

Parliament is expected next week to hold the first of three votes on the first new bill, which limits some of the Supreme Court's power to rule against decisions by the government, ministers and elected officials.

The opposition says that move is another dangerous step towards curbing judicial independence that would eventually subject the Su-

preme Court to politicians and open the door to corruption.

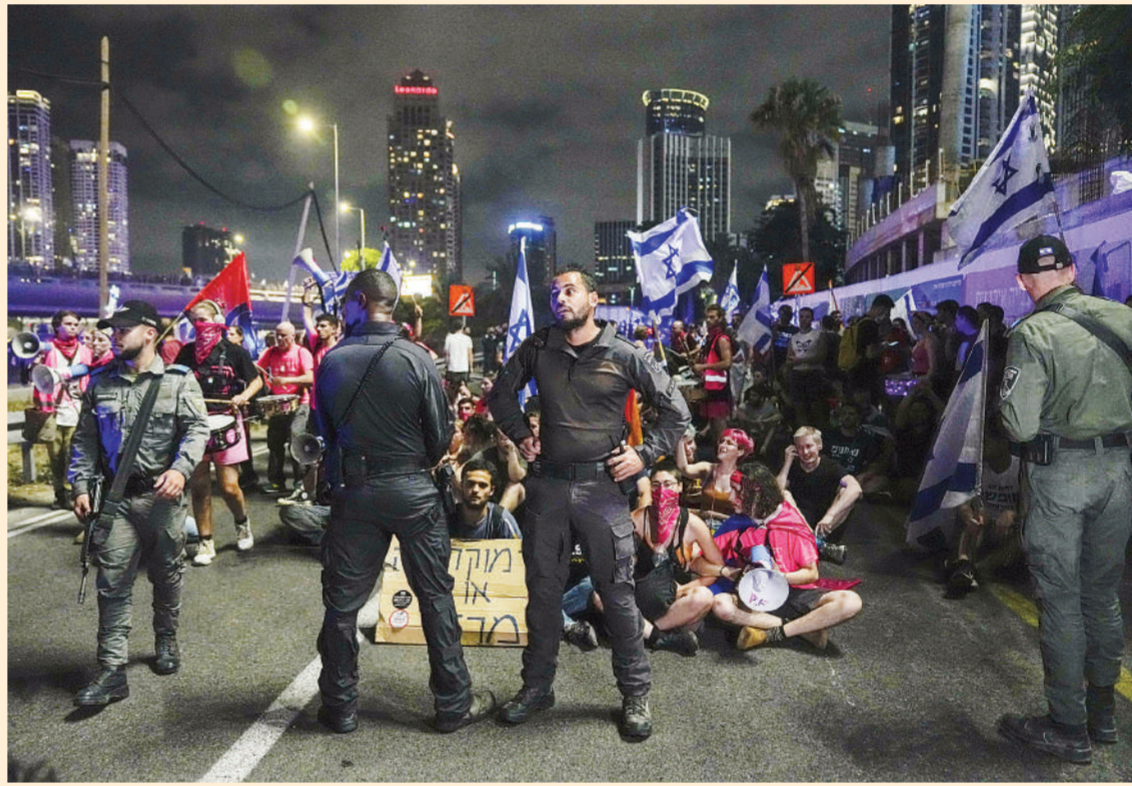
Protest leaders have said they plan to intensify demonstrations next week.

"We have no choice, we have to defend our democracy," said Sigal Peled-Leviatan, 51, a tech worker demonstrating in Tel Aviv.

The government's drive to overhaul the judiciary has stirred fears for Israel's democratic health and dented the economy, with the shekel falling more than 5 percent since it began.

Even as he argues his innocence in a long-running corruption trial, Netanyahu has sought to ease concern among Western allies and foreign investors by saying the proposed changes will better separate the branches of government.

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Israeli border police try to disperse demonstrators blocking a highway during a protest against plans by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government to overhaul the judicial system, in Tel Aviv, Israel, on Saturday. AP

## SCO demonstration base for agricultural technology builds better platform for agricultural exchange

WESTWARD from Xi'an, northwest China's Shaanxi province, the start of the ancient Silk Road, there lie a number world-renowned cities, including the "City of Apples" Almaty, the "Sunny city" Tashkent, and "Garden City" Bishkek.

Today, chapters of Silk Road cooperation are being renewed in these cities as demonstration bases for agricultural technology exchange and training are built there by the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).

At the 19th meeting of the Council of Heads of State of the SCO held on June 14, 2019, China proposed to set up an SCO demonstration base in Shaanxi province for exchange and training on agricultural technologies to strengthen cooperation on modern agriculture with other countries in the region.

Since the base was built in Shaanxi's Yangling Agricultural Hi-tech Industrial Demonstration Zone, it has become a role model of SCO cooperation on agricultural technologies and a major force driving the development of agricultural technologies under the framework of the Belt and Road Initiative.

Marat Muratkhan is a student from Kazakhstan studying at the College of Food Science and Engineering, Northwest Agriculture and Forestry University in



Kazakh student Marat Muratkhan (middle) does experiments in a laboratory. File photo

Yangling. Apart from being a student, he's also an employee of a cross-border trade company. When the SCO demonstration base for exchange and training on agricultural technologies was built in 2019, Marat Muratkhan sensed the smell of opportunities and entered the China-Kazakhstan trade firm. His job is to help Kazakh beef and mutton dealers export their products to China.

"My learning and work experiences in China are very valuable, which help me a lot in the Kazakhstan-China trade business," he told People's Daily.

Technical exchange remains an important part of SCO agricultural cooperation, and the SCO demonstration base for exchange and training on agricultural

technologies has expanded the fields of cooperation between China and other SCO countries.

The foot-and-mouth disease once troubled Kyrgyzstan. The SCO demonstration base launched training programs for the Kyrgyz side on animal and plant inspection and quarantine as well as disease prevention and treatment.

Besides, it also helped Kazakhstan introduce new wheat varieties from China. In Tajikistan, an agriculture and textile industrial park has been built under China-Tajikistan cooperation, which now houses over a dozen hectares of cotton fields and multiple cotton rolling factories.

On May 31, the Uzbek National Commodity and Raw Materials Exchange settled in

the trade and investment promotion center of the SCO demonstration base for exchange and training on agricultural technologies. It marked a new and important step of SCO economic and trade cooperation in agriculture.

Over the past four years, Yangling Agricultural Hi-tech Industrial Demonstration Zone has worked actively to expand the paths of agricultural opening up.

It has established eight demonstration parks for agricultural technologies in Kazakhstan and other countries, sent 194 agricultural experts overseas for assistance in 73 batches, and promoted more than 100 improved crop varieties and corresponding planting techniques, which are grown on over 2 million hectares of land outside China.

Besides, it has also launched 56 agricultural training sessions for other SCO countries and developing countries, which were joined by more than 2,000 people.

Pakistani Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif noted that agriculture is a pillar of Pakistan's economy and an important source of the country's foreign exchange, and the SCO cooperation on agricultural technology has brought new opportunities for Pakistan's agricultural development.

People's Daily

## US giving cluster munitions to Ukraine in 'desperate gesture,' Russian ambassador says

WASHINGTON

THE US decided to supply cluster munitions to Ukraine out of despair, but the move won't affect Russia's determination to achieve the goals of its special military operation, Russian Ambassador to the United States Anatoly Antonov (pictured) said on Friday.

"Cluster munitions are a desperate gesture. This measure tells the story that the US and its satellites have realized they are powerless. However, they do not want to admit their own failures and the failure of the attempts of Ukrainian forces to conduct an offensive against Russian regions. Hence this latest madness on their part," he said.

The diplomat said he believes that by raising the stakes in the Ukrainian conflict, Washington is bringing humanity closer to a global conflict.

"The current level of American provocations is indeed off the charts, bringing humanity closer to a new world war. The United States is so obsessed with the idea of defeating Russia that it does not realize the gravity of its actions. They are only increasing the number of victims and prolonging the agony of the Kiev regime," he went on to say.

The ambassador stated that Washington turned a blind eye to civilian casualties, paid no regard to the concerns of UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres, and shrugged of the objections from its allies.

"The cruelty and cynicism with which Washington has approached the issue of transferring lethal weapons to Kiev is astounding. The administration completely ignored experts, human rights activists, and lawmakers that voiced the theses that the move would be inhumane. It turned a blind eye to civilian casualties. Now there is a risk that the submunitions will be blowing up innocent civilians for many years ahead because of what the US is doing," Antonov said.

He said he believes that the funneling of Western weapons into Ukraine will not

be able to affect Russia's efforts to achieve the goals of its special military operation, "which aims to eradicate threats to the security of the Russian Federation, including Nazism that has been nurtured in Ukraine."

Cluster munitions

Cluster bombs can contain hundreds of submunitions. When the bomb is detonated in the air, the submunitions are scattered over an area of tens of square meters. Some of them do not explode immediately and remain on the ground, posing a threat to civilians long after the conflict has ended. The Convention on Cluster Munitions, which was adopted in 2008, has been joined by 111 countries, and another 12 have signed but not yet ratified it.

According to the international human rights organization Human Rights Watch, the proportion of unexploded submunitions is usually significantly higher than stated.

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Yanga's midfielder, Yannick Bangala.

## Singida Fountain Gate FC eyes Yanga midfielder

By Correspondent Nassir Nchimbi

SINGIDA Fountain Gate FC has identified Yanga's versatile player, Yannick Bangala, as the former's preferred partner for Joash Onyango at the heart of the defense.

The Singida-based side remains ambitious and wants to challenge for honours in Tanzania. The club has been recruiting experienced players and has now set its sight on roping Onyango and Bangala in.

Both Onyango and Bangala have on different occasions lifted the Mainland Tanzania Premier League title, with the former doing so with Simba SC three seasons ago while the latter has for two seasons achieved success with Yanga.

According to a report, Singida Fountain Gate FC officials have already approached both Yanga and Simba SC for the two defenders, as the footballers are the club's primary targets in the main transfer window.

Although Onyango has refuted the claims that he might leave Simba SC after being part of the outfit for the last three seasons, rumours of his possible departure have refused to die.

Singida Fountain Gate FC is said to have had a meeting for three days in Dar es Salaam and resolved to pursue Onyango and Bangala.

Given their experience at the international level, the two defenders are seen as valuable additions to the club that will take part in the 2023/24 CAF Confederation Cup.

Onyango has been a regular starter for Simba SC in the side's CAF Champions League campaign and has been outstanding, especially in his first two seasons.

He conceded errors that proved costly last season, and this put him on the receiving end of criticism from fans and pundits.

Bangala, on the other hand, had an impressive season with Yanga who reached the Confederation Cup's ultimate stage only to lose the final to the USM Alger of Algeria.

Further reports indicate Singida Fountain Gate FC is confident of signing Onyango and Bangala because the two are reportedly not happy at their respective clubs.

Meanwhile, Tanzania Premier League Board (TPLB) Chairman Steven Mguto has urged local clubs representing the country in CAF inter-club showdowns to recruit players that will take the teams to the advanced stages.

Premier League champion, Yanga,

and runner-up Simba SC will play in the CAF Champions League, while Azam FC and Singida Big Stars will compete in the CAF Confederation Cup.

Mguto said that it is an open fact that the quartet's coaches and leaders have seen the quality of players that are normally participating in the continental tournaments, thus, the clubs are required to avoid recruiting players who will not live up to expectations.

He said that TPLB and the Tanzania Football Federation (TFF) would like to see all four teams qualify for the finals of the competitions and continue promoting the country.

The TPLB leader noted: "We have witnessed Yanga qualifying for the final of the CAF Confederation Cup, the outfit came close to winning the title but due to the away-goal rule, Yanga missed the title."

"What has been done by Yanga should be taken as a pathway for all teams toward the next season, we have a strong league that is among the top 10 in Africa, and we need to prove that for our teams to do well in the CAF competitions," the leader said.

He said teams have to avoid recruiting players who lack potential, given bringing in less competent footballers is a waste of money, bringing losses in outfits' budgets.

The TPLB leader noted: "We are reading through newspapers and other media outlets on how the teams sign their players for the next season."

"They have to be very keen on conducting the exercise and have to focus on useful players, not those who are not fruitful," he added.

Simba SC, Yanga, Azam FC, and Singida Fountain Gate FC have already announced some newly signed footballers that will be part of their respective clubs in the next Mainland Tanzania Premier League season.

Simba SC has signed forward Willy Onana from Rwanda's Rayon Sports, and midfielder Aubin Kramo from Ivory Coast's ASEC Mimosas while Yanga has introduced fullback, Nickson Kibabage from Singida Fountain Gate FC.

Azam FC has had a shopping spree of signings, roping in midfielder Feisal Salum from Yanga, left full-back Cheikh Sidibe from Teungueth FC of Senegal, winger Djibril Sillah from Morocco's Raja Club Athletic, and forward Alassane Diao from US Gorie of Senegal.

## Mayele at crossroad over spell at Yanga

By Correspondent Nassir Nchimbi

THE majority of soccer players in the world are now busy with either extending their contracts with their respective clubs or moving to other outfits for better payment, especially if they had a great season.

In Mainland Tanzania Premier League, Fiston Mayele has continued to make the headlines as he is linked with either leaving or staying with his club, Yanga.

I just thought with the way the Congolese attacker is now valued, it will take a lot of money to prize the forward away from Yanga during the main transfer window.

World famous football portal dealing with the valuation of players, known as Transfer Market, has valued Mayele at 250,000 Euros (664, 000, 000/-).

Mayele has various offers on his table and, following the news and evaluating how it will end, depends mostly on the player.

The way the Congolese is famous in Tanzania, I am trying to imagine his stay and achievement, certainly his departure, particularly at this time, will be big news to domestic football enthusiasts.

He indeed has one year left in his contract with Yanga, money however is not everything in human life.

Right now Yanga is close to starting pre-season preparations but Mayele is roaming in the country.

Much as he has money in his pocket he has not gone far from Tanzania. I think he is happy with the way he lives in the country.

Who would not feel the pleasure to enjoy living here if he/she is financially stable? In this vacation, Mayele has decided to play charity games in the country given he feels happy to be here.

Several weeks ago, he was in Zanzibar playing in a charity soccer duel organized by



Fiston Mayele

former Yanga midfielders, Abdulaziz Makame and Feisal Salum.

He was escorted by the police after the final whistle because there were scores of fans that were keen on either posing for selfies with or greeting him.

Later he went to Morogoro to play a charity match organized by his Yanga teammates, Dickson Job, and Kibwana Shomari.

Now everyone wants to see Mayele, many soccer fanatics, even the ones rooting for his side's age-old rival Simba SC, appreciate his prowess.

This is a great time for soccer followers to measure the skill set of a player in his decisions. It is a time when the player finds himself stuck between resorting to better his life and valuing the support he enjoys from fanatics.

There are local players, some of whom have retired, whose quality matches Mayele's. They never played abroad because they found it difficult to abandon their favourite ways of life and seek greener pastures outside the country.

It is not surprising to see that many ruined their lives here despite being pursued by various foreign clubs.

Then came gifted local play-

ers who left the country to pursue greener pastures elsewhere, hoping to be cherished the same way Mayele is whilst clinging to their unacceptable habits.

When they went abroad, they still could not abandon their favourite ways of life, which violated their respective outfit's regulations, they deliberately wanted to fail so that they could return to the country.

One might find a popular local footballer either joining a certain club outside the country or heading for trials elsewhere but, within a few months, the same footballer will be seen in the streets of Dar es Salaam surrounded by a group of fans.

Later such a player will be heard he has made his way back and begun training with his previous club waiting for the new season.

Domestic soccer followers ought to avoid blaming the country's footballers too much. I am also trying to measure Mayele's intelligence and how he is loved in the country.

He might choose to take up the behaviours that some of the local players have but I hardly want to speculate too much over the matter, considering that Mayele is already outside his country.

Mayele can decide to either stay or leave and my first instinct tells me that the forward will stay because of the appreciation he enjoys.

The acknowledgment he enjoys whenever he moves to any part of this country can convince him to stay, given he is Congolese.

The Congolese, be they entrepreneurs, musicians, football players, and politicians cherish being loved and adored.

Mayele cannot be very different from his compatriots, although the main aspect that distinguishes him from fellow Congolese is that he is humble.

What I know is that even if Mayele decides to stay here, he will fully exploit his fame to make money based on having a lucrative contract.

This is where former and current local players have gone wrong. Many former local play-

ers who were cherished by top outfits were contented with turning out for the outfits, hardly having the determination to go elsewhere to seek greener pastures.

They were turned into fans of the sides and abandoned professionalism. Every great local player was known to have passion for a club he was turning out for and diligently fought for the interests of the club.

For example, former prominent Yanga winger, Edibily Lunyamila, successfully played for the club and was also a great fan of the outfit.

There were no times when he looked like he could seek better payment in another top club in the country like Simba SC. He somewhat changed soccer followers' mindset once the winger headed to Zanzibar's soccer big gun, Malindi.

However, the likes of Mayele are foreigners, such players can decide to be satisfied with the qualities of the country.

The footballer can decide to be content with a 20m/- monthly salary while rejecting a 30m/- salary which he could get from any of the wealthy Asian outfits that want to recruit him but the player can not stay in the country and get 10m/- salary.

The foreign players have come to wake their domestic counterparts up when it comes to valuing personal interests.

It started with Ugandan goal-getter Emmanuel Okwi and then came Zambian midfielder Clatous Chama, some of the most popular footballers to have won fame while turning out for Simba SC.

Okwi, at some point, featured for Simba SC's age-old rival Yanga, having been enticed by a lot of money, and Chama was on several occasions rumoured to be on his way to signing for Yanga for the same reason.

Tanzania's football fans are waiting to find out what Mayele can decide now. Yanga has a contract with him but it is something that can be terminated if the player decides to leave. It is also something that can be quite lucrative if he decides to stay.



Shija Lupi (2nd R), Chairman for National Service (JKT) pavilion in 2023 Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair (DITF), celebrates with the institution's staff once it received the trade fair's overall winner prize in the city last weekend. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

## Arusha amputee soccer team set for national sporting events

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

ARUSHA has outfitted a special amputee soccer team for young people with physical disability which will represent the region in national sporting events.

The new club, Arusha Warriors Amputee FC, currently based and practicing at the Sheikh Amri Abeid Stadium in the city, is made up of 19 members and counting.

Arusha Regional Commissioner John Mongela lauded the team and implored the business community, residents, and other sports stakeholders to come

forth in support of the Arusha Warriors Amputee FC.

Mongela was speaking during the occasion for handing over special sporting kits to Arusha Warriors Amputee FC that were donated by transport company, CoastLiner Bus Service. The donated consignment of playing kits includes sports uniforms, 10 pairs of shoes, and socks.

The Director of Coast Liner Bus Company Zohra Ally explained that her firm has decided to support sporting activities in the country and is happy to put its weight behind Arusha Warriors Amputee FC which now goes ahead to representing the region in future tourna-

ments.

Earlier on the Coast Liner Bus management had also assisted Polisi Arusha netball team which represented the region in this year's National Netball First Division League in Dar es Salaam.

"At the Coast Liner Bus, we usually like to give back to the community what we earn because our company serves people," Zohra noted, adding they will be doing their best to offer more support in the future.

Arusha Warriors Amputee FC secretary Abdulaziz Ally expressed gratitude to the management of Coast Liner Bus for their support to the team, promising to ensure that the club will

focus on doing well.

Ally noted: "We are in preparation for several sporting events including the Mainland Amputee Football League, the forthcoming Taifa Cup as well as the 2023 Nondono Cup."

Arusha Warriors Amputee FC skipper Ibrahim Mloe explained that the team is less than two months old since being put together.

"We aim at bringing together young people who are physically challenged to tap their sporting skills for both employment, entertainment, and carrying the regional flag to national and international events," Mloe concluded.



## CAF scrap Confederation Cup preliminary play-offs

RABAT

Play-offs in the CAF Confederation Cup -- the African equivalent of the Europa League -- will be ditched from the 2023-2024 season, it was confirmed on Saturday.

The decision to scrap the third and final round of qualifying for the group phase was made at a CAF executive committee meeting in Rabat.

Play-offs pitted winners of Confederation Cup last-32 ties against losers of CAF Champions League last-32 ties, and have been part of the competition since its 2004 debut.

Winners of Confederation Cup last-32 ties will now go directly into the group phase.

A CAF statement gave no reasons for the decision, but the cost of competing in the Confederation Cup was likely to have been a factor.

Clubs receive prize money only from the group phase, meaning they must fund all costs for playing in the preliminary round, round of 32 and play-offs.

Cape Town City FC chairman John Comitis has said that it cost his club three million rand (\$160,000/€145,000) in expenses to compete for three rounds in Africa last season.

Travelling is a challenge for clubs in Africa with limited flight options and high costs, and teams from southern nations often fly to northern countries via Doha or Dubai to cut costs.

Title-holders USM Alger of Algeria and former winners FUS Rabat of Morocco and Zamalek of Egypt are among the clubs who have entered the 2023-2024 Confederation Cup.

The preliminary round is scheduled for August, the round of 32 for September/October and the first group matches will be played on December 3.

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## Iconic Rapinoe, champion footballer and committed activist

NEW YORK

MEGAN Rapinoe's activism on such causes as gender equity, racial inequality and gay rights has ensured her iconic status as much as her US women's national team football heroics.

While the 38-year-old winger announced on Saturday that she will retire after this year's Women's World Cup and US club campaign, Rapinoe's legend will stand the test of time long after her final whistle.

"I never could have imagined the ways in which soccer would shape and change my life forever," Rapinoe said in announcing her retirement after her National Women's Soccer League campaign for OL Reign.

She became the face and driving force of an American squad that won the 2015 and 2019 Women's World Cup crowns as well as 2012 Olympic gold.

Rapinoe came out as gay in July of 2012 and has been an outspoken advocate of LGBTQ issues. She is engaged to US women's basketball star Sue Bird.

Rapinoe, known for her trademark pink hair, supported Black Lives Matter protests and voter rights campaigns.

Beyond that, Rapinoe was a forceful personality who led the fight for equal pay and conditions for US women's players compared to their male counterparts, a battle she and her teammates won in May 2022 when the US Soccer Federation agreed to equal pay and identical economic terms in men's and women's programs.

"In every aspect of life, the more we can tackle the inequality from a lot of different angles -- perspectives, different lanes -- the quicker we can rectify the problem," Rapinoe said.

In 2016, Rapinoe, was the first female athlete and white athlete to support former NFL player Colin Kaepernick and join his kneeling protest during the playing of the US national anthem before matches. One club played the anthem while teams were still in locker rooms to avoid controversy and after Rapinoe kneeled before a US match, US Soccer stated that players were expected to stand for the anthem, to which Rapinoe replied, "blanketed patriotism as a defense against what the protest actually is was pretty cowardly."

During the 2019 world cup in France, Rapinoe exchanged harsh words with then-US President Donald Trump, dismissing any notion of a White House visit while Trump called her out for not singing during the US anthem, accusing her of "disrespect" to the flag and nation.

"I'm not going to fake it, hobnob with the president, who is clearly against so many of the things that I'm for -- and so many of the things that I actually am," Rapinoe told Sports Illustrated at the time.

- 'A generational talent -

Last July, Rapinoe was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, by current US President Joe Biden.

Rapinoe, named FIFA's Best Women's Player in 2019, has 63 goals in 199 caps over 17 years for the US squad and will become the 14th American to reach 200 caps with her next national team appearance. The US squad is 157-14-28 in her 199 caps.

"Megan is a generational talent," US women's national team general manager and former Rapinoe teammate Kate Markgraf said. "When you talk about players performing on the biggest stages, she's right up there with the best to ever do it."

AFP

# De Gea leaves Man Utd after 12 years

LONDON

DAVID de Gea announced his exit from Manchester United on Saturday after 12 years as the club's number one goalkeeper.

The Spaniard last season overtook Peter Schmeichel to record the most clean sheets in the club's history and was crowned players' and fans' player of the year four times.

But a string of high-profile errors towards the end of the campaign drew criticism and the 32-year-old struggled to adapt to manager Erik ten Hag's preferred style of playing out from the back.

In a message on social media, De Gea thanked United fans for their support, but said: "Now, it's the right time to undertake a new challenge, to push myself again in new surroundings."

"Manchester will always be in my heart, Manchester has shaped me and will never leave



De Gea exits Manchester United after 12 years at Old Trafford. Agencies

me."

De Gea's deal expired at the end of June, with reports the player had

agreed a contract extension only for the club to withdraw that offer and come back with reduced

terms.

The Red Devils are now set to move for Inter Milan keeper Andre Onana, who previously played under Ten Hag at Ajax.

"You deserved to say goodbye to the stadium with all the fans cheering you for all the beautiful memories," United midfielder Bruno Fernandes posted on Instagram.

"You made history at the club and your name will never be forgotten, and that no one can take away from you."

De Gea made 545 appearances and kept 190 clean sheets after being signed by Alex Ferguson in 2011.

His departure means there are no players left at Old Trafford who have won the Premier League -- the last title success was in Ferguson's final season in charge, in 2012/13.

De Gea also won the FA Cup in 2016, two League Cups and the Europa League.

- Madrid move col-

lapse -

The former Atletico Madrid stopper often shone despite United's long slump in the post-Ferguson years.

His personal trophy haul could have been much greater but for the late collapse of a move to Real Madrid in 2015 due to paperwork not being completed before the transfer deadline.

"I would like to express my unwavering gratitude and appreciation for the love from the last 12 years," he said in his message.

"We've achieved a lot since my dear Sir Alex Ferguson brought me to this club."

"I took incredible pride every time I pulled on this shirt, to lead the team, to represent this institution, the biggest club in the world was an honour only bestowed upon a few lucky footballers."

Ten Hag thanked De Gea for his service and performances during his first season at the club after he picked up the

Golden Glove for most Premier League clean sheets.

"It takes great quality and character to reach the level of even playing one game for Manchester United," he said.

"To do it 545 times over 12 years is a special achievement, particularly in the goalkeeping position where every game puts you in the spotlight."

"To have won player of the year awards from both the fans and his team-mates, each on four occasions, shows the level of his performance and he will always be remembered as one of the very best goalkeepers in the history of the club."

But despite an impressive season overall, De Gea's campaign ended on a low note.

He was judged to be at fault for the decisive goal in United's 2-1 FA Cup final defeat by Manchester City and in a Europa League quarter-final exit to Sevilla.

AFP

# Megan Rapinoe leaving soccer on her own terms, same way she rose to stardom

By Kevin Baxter

MEGAN Rapinoe's soccer career has unfolded largely on her terms, so it made sense that it should end that way, with the two-time world champion and 2019 FIFA player of the year announcing Saturday that this season will be her last.

Rapinoe will play what could be her final home match for the national team Sunday before heading to New Zealand for this summer's World Cup. She then plans to finish the NWSL season with the OL Reign before stepping aside, leaving behind a hole far too big for one woman to fill.

"I'm just really grateful to be able to do it in this way," said Rapinoe, 38. "It is incredibly rare for athletes or any stature to go out in their own way, on their own terms, in a way that feels peaceful and settled for them. So I wanted to do it now and kind of get it out of the way before we go down to New Zealand so we can focus on the task at hand, which is winning another World Cup."

Winning another World Cup would give Rapinoe three in a row, something no player, male or female, has accomplished. A skilled passer and deadly artist on set pieces, she'll finish her 17-year career with more than 200 appearances and among U.S. Soccer's top 10 all-time in goals and assists.

But it's what she has done off the field that will define her legacy and be remembered as her biggest victories.

Rapinoe, who is gay, is an outspoken advocate for LGBTQ+ rights and was a leader in the national team's fight for gender equality, which paid off last year when U.S. Soccer became the first federation in history to agree to equal pay, travel and accommodations for both male and female



Megan Rapinoe strikes her iconic pose after scoring a goal in the opening game of the 2019 World Cup as U.S. teammate Alex Morgan leaps on her back. Agencies

players. Last summer that work was honored at the White House, where Joe Biden made her the first soccer player to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

And this summer, prodded in part by Rapinoe and other player advocates, FIFA increased the prize-money purse for the Women's World Cup to \$152 million -- four times what it was in 2019 -- and agreed to pay each participant \$30,000 for showing up.

Rapinoe has been an equally effective activist away from the spotlight, where she has quietly pledged part of her salary to soccer-centered charities around the world, worked with the ACLU, partnered with the Seattle-area Boys and Girls Clubs and served as an ambassador for Athlete Ally, which opposes homophobia in sports. After the Carr fire ravaged her hometown of Redding, Calif., in 2018, she raised more than \$150,000 in less than two weeks to help those affected.

"Megan Rapinoe is one of the most important players in women's

soccer history and a personality like no other," said U.S. coach Vlatko Andonovski, who also coached Rapinoe for two seasons with the Reign. "She has produced so many memorable moments that will be remembered for a very long time. But her impact on people as a human being may be even more important."

She has also courted -- even embraced -- controversy, kneeling during the national anthem to protest police brutality and waging a Twitter war with President Donald Trump during the 2019 World Cup, which

ended with Rapinoe scoring a tournament-high six goals and being chosen the tournament's outstanding player.

"She's been an advocate for this team. She's been a backbone for this team," said Alex Morgan, co-captain of the World Cup team and Rapinoe's teammate since 2010. "Whether it's going through the equal pay fight, standing up for marginalized communities, she's someone who is going to stand up for that when it's not always a popular opinion."

"She's true to herself," Morgan added. "That's from the beginning

when I met her until now. She says what she thinks, she means what she says. You have to love her for that."

Nowhere is she loved more than in the national team's locker room, where she is surrounded by those who know her best. Defender Crystal Dunn broke down while describing Rapinoe as "an incredible person, human being, friend."

"I just love her so much," she said through the tears. "She's somebody that I can call with the most random stuff. She's so huge for the team, on and off the field."

Rapinoe made her international debut in 2006, less than three weeks after her 21st birthday, but knee injuries three games apart wiped out most of the next three years, threatening her career and delaying her first national team start until 2009. She became a mainstay of the team a year later, with the U.S. losing just 14 of the 199 games in which she played.

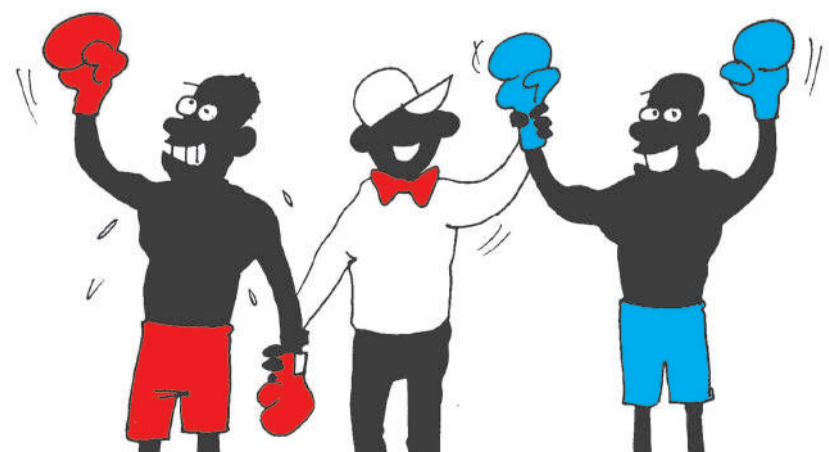
"Megan has left an indelible mark on women's soccer globally," said Jill Ellis, the winningest coach in U.S. Soccer history. "One of the most skillful players to ever play, she will forever be one of the greats in our storied program."

She'll be forever remembered for the way she went out as well. By announcing her decision two weeks before the USWNT's World Cup opener, Rapinoe, who informed Morgan of her decision in a group chat message Saturday morning, has signaled to her teammates what she'd like as a retirement gift.

"Well," Morgan responded, "now we just have to win the whole damn thing."

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## Miguel Gamondi opens up on why he chose Yanga



Yanga's new head coach, Miguel Gamondi. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

**N**EWLY appointed Young Africans SC head coach Miguel Angel Gamondi has finally arrived in Tanzania.

He jetted into the country on Saturday dawn to take charge of the team's pre-season training.

The Argentine was officially announced as the new head coach of Young Africans, popularly known as Yanga, during the club's Annual General Meeting held in Dar es Salaam last month.

He was unable to attend the unveiling occasion due to being out of the country.

The 59-year-old coach expressed his excitement over

joining the 29-time Mainland Tanzania Premier League champions, considering it a significant opportunity after his year-long sabbatical from football.

He revealed why he rejected offers from Egyptian and Saudi Arabian clubs to sign for Yanga.

Gamondi said he was keen on joining Yanga because the 'project' at the

club's base, AVIC Town in Kigamboni, convinced him and that is why he decided to come to Tanzania.

He also admitted the allure of playing in the CAF Champions League was a strong incentive.

The gaffer pointed out: "I think the reason is that I follow Yanga, they will play in the CAF Champions League... the main objec-

ive is the CAF Champions League."

"I was very impressed with the presentation when I talked with the president and I have a good reference about this team," Gamondi said.

He added: "After I got a little bit of rest because I was tired after all the years in Morocco, I want to have a good challenge. For me

this offer was the best, I had offers from Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and others but I chose this project, I am very passionate and maybe we can have a good project here to work with the youths."

The gaffer noted: "I am passionate about playing good football and making the fans happy. Of course, we need time to know the players, country, and competitions."

Gamondi was introduced to African football back in 2000 as an assistant coach at the Libyan side, Al-Ahly Tripoli, before going to other continental elites like ASEC Mimosas of Ivory Coast, Wydad Casablanca of Morocco, Esperance Tunis and Etoile du Sahel both from Tunisia.

His major achievement was in 2008 when he guided South Africa's Platinum Stars to the round of 16 stage of the CAF Confederation Cup.

Gamondi will be tasked with guiding Yanga as far as they can go in the CAF Champions League and defend the domestic treble of the NBC Premier League, Azam Sports Federation Cup, and Community Shield.

## Simba SC confirms signing Cameroonian defender

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

SIMBA SC has confirmed the signing of Cameroonian center-back Che Malone Fondoh Junior from Coton Sport for \$130,000 (315m/-).

The Guardian reported last week that the 24-year-old defender was close to joining Simba SC after the two clubs agreed on his transfer fee.

Simba SC had a first bid worth \$50,000 rejected in June. They made a second offer of \$70,000 to Coton Sport as part of efforts to sign the player that is also a Cameroon national team defender which was also rejected.

Malone had a year left to run on his deal with Coton Sport but contract negotiations cooled much as the defender was keen on joining Simba SC having agreed personal terms earlier on.

Coton Sport was reluctant to comply with the Cameroon international's wishes over a potential exit.

The Cameroonian club officially told Simba SC it wanted \$150,000 to release the defender from his contract in Garoua.

Simba SC was adamant that it would not go above the improved offer of \$70,000 and was considering alternatives.

That transfer has now been completed, with the Cameroonian international signing a three-year deal with the Msimbazi Street-based club announcing on Sunday. He becomes the third signing.

Malone is coming as a replacement for Kenyan Joash Onyango who has been loaned out to Singida Fountain Gate FC.

He is expected to partner with DR Congo stalwart Henock Inonga Baka at the heart of Simba SC's defense.

Born on May 23, 1999, the 24-year-old is highly rated back at home and is nicknamed the 'new Rigobert Song'.

In June, the Cameroonian international inspired Coton Sport's run to the squad's 18th domestic league title. On Friday last week, he was crowned 2023 Cameroon Elite One Footballer of the Year.

Malone leaves Coton Sport having made 72 appearances in total for the club, and winning three trophies.

He made his full international debut for Cameroon in a friendly match against Jamaica in Yaounde before the start of the 2022 FIFA World Cup and later featured in all of his country's Group Stage games during the 2022 African Nations Championship (CHAN) in January this year.

Simba SC finished second in the just concluded NBC Premier League with 73 points, five points behind champion, Yanga, and the former is rebuilding the squad as it looks to reclaim its lost glory next season.

In addition to playing in the CAF Champions League, Simba SC will represent Tanzania in the inaugural edition of the African Super League set to kick off in October this year.

## Azam FC intensifies preparations for new season

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

AZAM FC's preparations for the 2023/24 campaign began last week, with the team taking the first part of pre-season preparations at Azam Complex Stadium at Chamazi in Dar es Salaam.

After a three-week break from club activity, the players marked their return with visits to the Aga Khan Hospital in Dar es Salaam on Tuesday last week to undergo the first part of pre-season, which involves medicals and general assessments.

On Saturday the team took to their final training session at Azam Complex Stadium before traveling to Tunisia to continue getting ready for the start of the new campaign. They will stay in Tunisia for three weeks.

"Our players have done the last training session before they travel to the city of Sousse, Tunisia tomorrow (Monday) for a three-week preparatory camp for the next season 2023/24," the club updated the traveling plan.

The 2013/14 Premier League champions confirmed they will play a couple of friendly games including one against former African champions Esperance de Tunis, an outfit the Tanzanian side last met in 2015 in the CAF Confederation Cup Group Stage playoff.

Azam FC will start the 2023/24 season under Senegalese head coach Youssouph Dabo by playing the Community Shield semi-final game against Yanga, which will be held at Mkwakwani Stadium in Tanga on August 9.

The winner of the match between Azam FC and Yanga will meet the winner of the other semi-final which will bring together Simba SC and Singida



Footballers making Azam FC engage in drills at Azam Complex Stadium in Dar es Salaam last week as the club began pre-season preparations. The club will battle it out in next season's showdowns including Premier League and CAF Confederation Cup. PHOTO: COURTESY OF AZAM FC

Fountain Gate FC, slated to take place at the same venue, in the final.

Last season, Azam FC finished third in NBC Premier League, 19 points behind champions Yanga and 14 points shy of second-placed Simba SC.

They reached the Azam Sports Federation Cup final after edging out Simba SC 2-1 in the semi-final but lost 1-0 to Yanga in the final to end up trophyless for a fourth season in a row.

In a season in which they had three different coaches, they were eliminated in the preliminary round of the CAF Confederation Cup by Al Akhdar of Libya.

Head coach Abdihamid Moallin who started the season was fired after only three games and was replaced by Frenchman Dennis Lavagne.

Lavagne lasted for only 45 days before falling out with the club hierarchy following a 2-1 loss to Kinondoni Municipal Council FC. He was replaced by caretaker coach Kalimangonga Ongala until the end of the season.

As a result, the club management made a massive clearout of both the playing unit and the technical bench.

The entire technical bench that included caretaker coach Ongala, his assistant Aggrey Morris, goalkeeping coach Daniel Cadena who has since joined Simba SC, and fitness coach Moadh Hiraoui was purged.

The ice cream makers, who last won a significant title in 2019, have four new players in their squad, with the team having acquired the services of midfielder Feisal Salum from Yanga, Gambian winger Gibril Sillah from Raja Club Athletic, Senegalese left full-back Cheick Sidibe from Teungueth FC and center forward Alassane Dia from US Goree.

## Flexibles by David Chikoko

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