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## IGP says police want peace but are 'ready' for violent mobs

By Guardian Reporter, Zanzibar

INSPECTOR General of Police Simon Sirro (pictured) has camped here for meetings with various groups of people with one message: peace before, during and after the general election slated for October 28.

Addressing religious leaders here yesterday, the IGP said that law enforcers do not intend to use bullets and tear gas during the polls but may be forced to use weapons if provoked.

He sought to persuade the clergy to take up a peacekeeping role by ensuring the faithful do not engage in behaviour that threatens peace and tranquility during the campaigns, on polling day and upon release of results.

He asked the leaders to emphasize on the primacy of peace in their sermons to enable the country conduct polls free of violence come October 28.



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"For the peace we are enjoying to continue, you have a role to play by continually preaching the same to your followers," he said.

The IGP said religious leaders' role in maintaining peace is crucial because they are in close contact with their followers who are likely to hear and heed their counsel than of other responsible officials.

He said that in a nutshell police are ready for peace and prepared for violence from mobs of individuals, with people left to choose between the two.

He had a message to citizens: "We'll be watching; we will deal with anyone whose actions threaten peace during electioneering."

This was not his first effort to hammer his message of peace here in the Isles. Earlier on Friday he met political parties at police headquarters and delivered the same appeal.

He said that no political party will win the elections by conducting dirty campaigns or instigating their members to

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# NEC draws line on CSOs in poll



President John Magufuli receives contribution from Archbishop Beatus Kinyaiya of the Dodoma Diocese of the Catholic Church in support of the construction of a mosque at Chamwino in Dodoma Region. This was at a fundraiser at which the president officiated on the sidelines of a holy mass held at Chamwino church yesterday. Photo: State House

## JPM raises funds for Chamwino mosque

By Guardian Reporter

PRESIDENT John Magufuli yesterday initiated a fundraising for constructing a mosque near the Chamwino State House in Dodoma, hours

after inaugurating a Catholic church he helped to build.

The construction of Mary Immaculate Chamwino Parish within the precincts of the State House kicked off in June after the Head

of State led a funding drive for the project, which included building of a grotto and rehabilitation of the priests' house.

The June fundraiser saw Catholics, Protestants, Evangelicals, Muslims and other groups turn up with generous contributions that saw the project completed within a few months.

After attending an inaugural mass led by Dodoma Archbishop Beatus Kinyaiya yesterday, the president embarked on another fundraising, for the construction of a mosque at Chamwino.

The Directorate of Presidential Communications at State House said in a

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## Skydiving takes shape as new tourism package bit

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) authorities are set to introduce skydiving as a new item in its tourism package.

The development is part of a diversification effort as the world gradually eases travel lockdowns with leisure lovers starved for months since Covid-19 shut down travels since early this year.



TANAPA sees potential in skydiving activities where adventure oriented visitors can jump from moving airplanes, then parachute or paragliding over the Serengeti.

The TANAPA head of conservation and business development, William Mwakilema said in an interview here that when the world opens to tourism it should find Tanzania well ahead in offering new

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By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE National Electoral Commission (NEC) has called on Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) to refrain from engaging in politics as they provide voter education ahead of the October general election.

The groups are not allowed to visit political parties' offices or attend public rallies, and failure to abide by the set regulations will see them being deprived of those functions.

NEC Vice Chairman, Judge (rtd) Mbarouk Salim Mbarouk said at a meeting with civil society organizations here that NEC has granted the opportunity to provide voter education in preparation for the polls but no one is allowed to mix public education with political campaigns for any party.

The meeting brought together 245 CSOs from the Mainland and seven from the Isles, where the top commission official said voter education is important in helping the public know why they have to vote and the function should not be linked with any political party.

The over 250 voting right groups met here for the first time just a week ahead of the start of campaigns to deliberate on a better approach to create public



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awareness over election laws for the people, the government and the candidates.

NEC is charged with overseeing the entire election process in the Mainland and 50 constituencies in Zanzibar. Section 4 (c) of the National Elections Act of 2010 empowers NEC to provide civic education as well as delegate the task to voting rights groups.

Assistant Director of Voter Education and Public Information, Cosmas Mwaisobwa explained that voter education helps to increase the number of voters participating in the election process, especially with voter turnout.

The commission is subjected to engaging the rights groups to help spread such information across the country. The partnership between civil society organizations and the commission is meant to raise awareness especially for among remote rural communities.

"NEC has given top priority to people with disabilities to fully participate

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attractions, fresh packages and even added destinations.

The first attraction to offer the new package is the Serengeti, famous for its annual wildebeest migration.

"When it comes to tourism we are not taking chances. We have to be innovative so that the country can always stay ahead," he stated.

With skydiving over Serengeti, Tanzania will be the first country in East and Central Africa to provide this form of adrenaline rushing excitement in the wilderness, where it is likely to catapult the destination to new heights.

The Serengeti receives an average of 455,000 tourists per year, making it the goose which lays golden eggs for TANAPA, handling 21 other parks.

Already Serengeti runs hot-air balloon safaris, but with the proposed skydiving and paragliding tours, the destination's tourism activities now seem to be aiming for the sky.

The park, covering around 15,000 square kilometers, is the third largest in the country after Nyerere National Park, sliced from the Selous Game Reserve and encompassing over 30,000 square kilometers. Similarly outstretched is

Ruaha National Park nearby, with over 20,000 square kilometres.

Beatrice Kessy, the TANAPA head of business development, said while the Covid-19 contagion and related lockdown took a drastic toll on tourism activities, they have also learned a lot from the disaster.

"The pandemic has taught us to be fully prepared for unforeseen changes and adapt to disaster as we did during the lockdown," she said, noting that aggressive marketing had contributed to a good restart.

Aggressive marketing involves virtual tourism undertakings and the introduction of multiple entry points for tourists helped to ensure a rapid recovery in the sector.

"And the fact that the Royal Dutch Airline has just resumed regular flights to the Kilimanjaro International Airport has helped to revive the tourists flow from Asian and European countries that have always trusted KLM," she asserted. Before the novel coronavirus outbreak, Tanzania was receiving up to 1.5m tourists annually, mostly visiting the northern circuit, sampling the Serengeti, Mount Kilimanjaro and the Ngorongoro Crater, among others.



Dr Tulole Bucheyeki (L), a tutor with the Tanzania Agricultural Research Institute's Uyoale centre in Mbeya Region, facilitates a practical session for his students late last week. Photo: Correspondent Nebart Msokwa

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statement that the drive raised a total of 48m/- cash, 48 bags of cement and five truckloads of sand.

"The cash and construction materials were donated by those who attended inaugural mass at the Mary Immaculate Chamwino Parish, and followers of other religious organizations who turned up," it said.

In his homily, Archbishop Kinyaiya thanked the president for leading the funding drive that has given Chamwino residents a new church, a new grotto

and a refurbished house for priests.

He appealed to Tanzanians to maintain peace as campaigns start for the general election.

"Elect God-fearing leaders who seek leadership through peaceful means; vote for people who are confident and do not engage in bribe taking," he urged.

Tanzania Episcopal Conference (TEC) secretary general Rev Dr Charles Kitima said the project the president helped to accomplish is unique among such projects in recent years.

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in the general election. The key disadvantaged group is facing serious challenges in obtaining correct information and the means to attend in electoral campaigns," he said.

"The commission is also giving special focus to the youth and women. So many youths have just turned 18 and it will be the first time they engage in

civic decision making."

NEC was optimistic that the meeting with CSOs shall help to bridge the information and engaging gap for raising public awareness on the matter. CSOs need to intensify their approaches by adopting multiple channels such as the use of social media, sports and entertainment activity in sending civic information to the public, he stated.

Maiko Salali, the chairperson of

the Foundation for Disabilities Hope, was concerned as to how people with mental health disorders were distinguished to also participate in the voting process. Disability varies from one person to another and thus the commission must help to create a friendly environment that will support people with disabilities to fully participate.

Paul Mathias from the visually

impaired section of society wondered whether NEC had also prepared special ballot papers for people with vision problems to independently read and vote without assistance from another person.

But Dr Wilson Charles, the director of elections, told the civil society groups that the commission had prepared special ballot papers to facilitate people with visual challenge to read and vote.



Tanzania Revenue Authority's Taxpayer Services and Education director, Richard Kayombo (2nd-R), has a word in Dar es Salaam at the weekend with taxpayers after closing a workshop on newly introduced guidelines on electronic tax returns. Photo: Correspondent Miraji Msala

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clean campaigns and promote peace through the campaigns, he stated.

He warned political parties from

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## Corruption in purchase of Covid-19 PPE means murder, WHO boss says

NAIROBI

The World Health Organization (WHO) has described corruption in the procurement of Covid-19 personal protective equipment (PPE) as unacceptable and likened it to murder.

Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus answered questions from journalists during a press briefing on the pandemic in Geneva, Switzerland, on Friday.

"If health workers work without PPEs, we are risking their lives, and that also risks the lives of the people they serve. It is criminal, and it is murder, and it has to stop," he said.

His remarks were in the wake of local concerns regarding corruption and funds wastage in Kemsas purchase of PPEs for health workers and other people.

Dr Tedros also expressed hope that the coronavirus pandemic will end in two years.

The WHO boss reminded his audience that the Spanish flu, which killed an estimated 50 million people from 1918 to 1919 took two years to contain.

He noted, however, that the closely-knit social system across the world has given it a chance to spread rapidly from person to person as well as across communities.

"Of course, with more connectedness, the virus has a better chance of spreading, said Dr Tedros.

Dr Tedros added that modern advances in technology can shorten the period needed to bring the pandemic under control.

"We have the technology and the knowledge to stop it. We need to foster national unity and global solidarity in our efforts to handle the emergency brought about by the pandemic," he said.

But according to Prof Mark Walport of the United Kingdom's Scientific Advisory Group for Emergencies (Sage), the battle against Covid-19 is not over yet.

"Covid-19 is going to be with us forever in some form or another," he said in a Saturday interview with the BBC

Prof Walport rooted for vaccination as the safest way out of the crisis

"People will need re-vaccination at regular intervals, just like they get shots to immunise them against the flu virus."

An NTV report on alleged graft in the procurement of Covid-19 supplies sparked furor, with many Kenyans calling for investigations into allegations that several companies ripped big from procurement deals.

On Friday, police lobbed teargas canisters to disperse protesters from Uhuru Park's Freedom Corner to protest the state's apparent reluctance to take action on the alleged Covid millionaires.

Carrying banners and chanting slogans, the protesters demanded the arrest and prosecution of individuals behind companies that charged inflated prices for PPEs.

"We are tired of an endless stream of news detailing how much money is being lost in the emergency response efforts. This money could be used in a better way to fight the pandemic," said Buyer Beware administrator Wanjeri Nderu, one of the protest's organisers.

Kemsa chief executive Jonah Manjari, directors Charles Juma (procurement) and Eliud Muriithi (commercial) were suspended as the Senate kicked off a probe into Kemsas purchase of PPEs worth Sh7.7 billion, alongside another probe by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).

Also in the spotlight is the construction of a warehouse worth Sh5.5 bn.

The saga has sparked various reactions from Kenyans, with ODM Secretary-General Edwin Sifuna firing a salvo at government critics for sensationalising the alleged corruption around it.

AGENCIES



Dr Shaneabbas Jaffer (2nd-L), a Khoja Shia Ithnasheri leader, briefs Dar es Salaam regional commissioner Abubakar Kunenge (L) at a blood donation event involving members of the community held at a Dar es Salaam hospital yesterday. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

## Egyptian investor to construct electrical factory and training college in Tanzania

By Guardian Reporter

AN Egyptian investor of Elsewedy Electric has unveiled plans to construct major electrical manufacturing factory as well as an electrical training college in the country.

According to the East Africa Regional resident director of the company Ibrahim Qamar, the factory will be constructed in Kigamboni, Dar es Salaam with its first phase planning to cost US \$15 million (equivalent to 34.8bn/-)."

Qamar made the remarks in Dar es Salaam during the weekend when he paid a visit and held talks with the Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC) director general Dr Maduhu Kazi.

According to him, they are expected to commence construction soon after the land acquisition procedures are completed. Upon completion, the factory will produce 115 direct jobs.

The investor hailed Tanzania for creating conducive business environment, something which attracts several investors to chip in and establish various development projects.

He said that due to various attracting policies, he has decided to invest in two major projects which will enable more electric meters, wires and transformers to be produced locally.

According to him, the improvement of laws, policies, as well as peace and stability are among the reasons which made him to come and invest in the country.

Qamar said that among the major things that many investors consider in the countries they want to invest includes good governance, protection of their capital as well as reliable markets and all these are found in Tanzania.

"The investment will be done in two phases and after completing these two projects I may invest in another factory of producing equipment and building

infrastructures for solar and wind power generation," he said.

He thanked TIC for supervising well land accessibility for the

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investors, something which enables smooth investment processes.

"TIC is doing a great job of making sure we (investors) have the opportunity to invest here in Tanzania, you have helped us a lot to get the land in the potential areas that we have been looking for, there were delays in getting it, but let me just say, after TIC intervened in this matter, I have seen success. The electrical factory will be producing equipment such as meters, wires and transformers," he lamented.

For his part, Dr Kazi said that it will work closely with the investor to ensure that all the required procedures are followed and construction begins as planned

He added that the centre serves all investors equally where he urged them to report if there are any challenges which thwarts their investments.

"President John Magufuli has done a lot to improve

the business and investment environment in the country, this has attracted several investors from various countries who said that they feel safer investing in the country," Dr Kazi added.

He also welcomed more local and foreign investors to invest in various potential and productive areas in the country assuring them of conducive environment and reliable supply of power.

"We have witnessed the government taking various measures just to make sure that our investors operate in a smooth environment, in the past five years, the government has scrapped 168 taxes and levies which were thwarting business development in the country," he said.

Elsewedy Electric is a pioneer in providing integrated energy solutions in the Middle East and Africa. The company has more than 30 facilities in 15 countries around the world.

## Z'bar Form VI leavers urged to engage in priority fields for their higher education

By Guardian Reporter, Zanzibar

ZANZIBAR Minister for Education and Vocational Training Riziki Pembe Kuma has called on students planning to enroll in higher learning institutions to select fields that have been accorded priority by the government.

Pembe was speaking when opening training seminar for Form VI leavers and Diploma students at State University of Zanzibar (SUZA) Hall in Zanzibar.

He said if students select fields that are short of experts they will be helping their government to solve the shortage of local experts.

He said in doing so they will also solve the problem for themselves for staying long periods after finishing their studies before getting employment.

He said the Zanzibar government is proud of indigenous experts in various

fields by increasing sponsorship opportunities for students who perform well.

He said many students do not abide by the importance of the fields that are accorded priority by the government including science teachers, doctors and gas and oil.

He also called on students who will be fortunate to receive scholarships to maintain respect while in foreign countries.

The minister appealed to financial institutions to create an enabling

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environment for better performing students to enable them pursue higher education to assist the government in strengthening the education sector.

He praised students who did well in their national Form VI examinations especially girl students and called on them to work hard.

The Director of Higher (HESLB) Education Students Loans Board Iddi Haji Khamis said the aim of the training seminar was to implement the directive of the Zanzibar President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein to provide students with knowledge on various procedures to take before they enroll themselves in universities and in higher learning institutions.

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	Vehicles, trucks & trailers	Capacity	YoM	Hrs/km	Registration	USD
1	Toyota Hiace TRH214 2.7L minibus petrol	8 pass.	2009	217,570	T 348 DHH	6,870
2	Toyota Hiace TRH214 2.7L minibus petrol	8 pass.	2010	126,700	T 347 DHH	8,455
3	Toyota Hilux 2.4D 4WD DC pickup	135hp	2012	188,259	T 997 DBB	10,042
4	Toyota Fortuner 3.0D4D 4WD	135hp	2016	139,105	T 517 DGS	19,200
5	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	90,123	T 491 DCQ	17,440
6	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi Ltd 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	106,922	T 506 DCQ	17,440
7	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	69,026	T 507 DCQ	17,440
8	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	66,094	T 524 DCQ	17,440
9	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	78,721	T 525 DCQ	18,497
10	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	77,222	T 526 DCQ	17,440
11	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	75,218	T 527 DCQ	17,440
12	Ford Ranger 2.2D Std DC pickup	110hp	2014	52,387	T 528 DCQ	13,212
13	Ford Ranger 3.2Tdi XL 4WD DC pickup	200hp	2014	83,561	T 543 DCQ	18,497
14	Ford Ranger Std 2.2D 4WD DC pickup	120hp	2015	103,119	T 779 DGS	14,797
15	Ford Ranger 2.5D 4WD DC pick-up	110hp	2009	263,777	T 907 BCS	3,964
16	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	74,669	T 498 DCQ	11,626
17	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	98,520	T 500 DCQ	11,626
18	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	59,662	T 502 DCQ	11,626
19	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	64,550	T 515 DCQ	11,626
20	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	42,523	T 522 DCQ	11,626
21	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Ti-VCT Trend	110hp	2014	77,814	T 530 DCQ	11,626
22	Ford EcoSport 1.5L Titanium - De-registered	110hp	2014		-	3,000
23	Nissan Patrol GRX 3.0Tdi	149hp	2014	770,649	T 520 DCQ	26,423
24	Suzuki Carry baby pickup	40hp ?	1996	115,138	T 960 DHG	1,586
25	Tata SFC407 BSLB service truck	GVW 3.5t	2011	94,207	T 533 CCN	5,285
26	TATA LPT709/38 4x2 7.5t truck	GVW 7.5t	2013	90,720	T 369 DAB	7,134
27	Nanak 2 axle 15t cap. tow bar trailer	15t	2010	N/A	T 203 BGL	3,964
28	Three axle 30t Ocean City tow bar trailer	30t	2014	N/A	T 680 CYP	10,570
29	Three axle 30t Ocean City tow bar trailer	30t	2014	N/A	T 678 CYP	10,570
30	Four axle HD 40t cap. tow bar trailer	40t	2012	N/A		11,098
31	Joskin 7m3 vacuum tanker tow bar trailer	7M3	1988	N/A		5,285
32	Joskin 10m3 vacuum tanker tow bar trailer	10M3	2010	N/A	T 213 BUU	8,984
	Construction equipment	Capacity	YoM	Hrs/km	Licence no.	USD
33	Genie scissor lift GS-4069DC	12.2m, 363kg	2014	510		20,874
34	Raxtar RX500B material lift	120m, 500kg	2009	N/A		9,248
35	Manitou MRT2150 telehandler 5t-21m	5t - 21M	2012	6,374	T 658 DJA	76,627
36	Nissan UB01 electric forklift 1.5t	1.5t	1996	-		7,927
37	Silla DM1200NT motor dumper	GVW 3.0t	2014	3,711		5,814
38	Silla DM1200NT motor dumper	GVW 3.0t	2016	?		7,927
39	Telschig KB-320-E cement blower	320m <sup>3</sup> /min	2007	N/A		3,300
40	Sempedil C42 rebar cutter	42mm	2010	N/A		1,850
41	Sempedil P36 rebar bender	36mm	2010	N/A		1,850
42	PFT ZP3FC 230/400V grout pump	5-140lt - 30b	2016	N/A		2,642
43	Bema CAT2300 road sweeper 2.25m	2.25m	2010	N/A		1,321
44	Terex Bidwell 4800 concrete paver 12M	12M	2005	N/A		43,862
45	Dynapac LG500 plate compactor 481kg	60kN / 60Hz	2008	N/A		2,100
46	Selwood - Deutz S150 6" water pump	280 M <sup>3</sup> /hr	2008	9,106		6,870
47	Hudig - Deutz HC532/07 water pump	270 M <sup>3</sup> /hr	2012	-		7,662
48	Intrame UM-260 asphalt plant	260 ton/hr	2012	300,000ton		295,000
	Electric power generators (400/230V 50Hz)	Capacity	YoM	Hrs/km		USD
49	Gesan DPS80 80kVa silenced generator	80kVa	2008	12,326		6,870
50	Nippon S. NES150SH silenced generator	125kVa	2005?	19,176		5,814
51	Aksa - John Deere 44kVa silenced generator	40kVa	2014	3,276		9,900
52	Olympian Perkins GEP55-3 skid generator	55kVa	2012	7,619		4,757
53	Olympian-Perkins GEP33-3 skid generator	33kVa	2012	1,327		4,228
54	Himoinsa HSW280 280kVa silenced generator	280kVa	2007	13,102		10,042
55	FG Wilson P65-5 60kVa silenced generator	60kVa	2014	1,654		14,004

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FOR

DESIGN AND BUILD CONTRACT FOR AN ELECTRIFIED STANDARD GAUGE RAILWAY (SGR) LINE FROM MWANZA TO ISAKA (249 KILOMETRES MAIN LINE AND 92 KILOMETRES SIDING/PASSING LOOPS) ON AN ALIGNMENT PARALLEL TO THE EXISTING METER GAUGE RAILWAY LINE

Invitation to Tender (ITT)

Date: 24th August, 2020

- This Invitation for Tenders follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) which advertised via Tanzania National e-Procurement System (TANePS), [www.taneps.go.tz](http://www.taneps.go.tz) and TRC website [www.trc.co.tz](http://www.trc.co.tz) on 21st July, 2020.
- The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has set aside funds for the design and build of the standard gauge railway from Mwanza to Isaka (Central Line) on a parallel alignment to the existing Meter Gauge line during the Financial Year 2020/2021.
- Tanzania Railways Corporation (TRC) now invites sealed Tenders from eligible Contractors for carrying out the proposed design and build of the standard Gauge Railway from Mwanza to Isaka (Central Line) on a parallel alignment to the existing Meter Gauge Line.
- Interested and eligible Tenderers must provide recent information of the following minimum experience:
  - Experience in Detailed design**
    - Minimum of 10 years of experience in the detail design of UIC Standard gauge Railway track
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in detailed design of Heavy Railway Civil Works such as Tracks, Tunnels, Viaducts, Flyovers, Bridges, etc.
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in Railway tracks design (Light Rail and/or Heavy Rail)
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in railway Stations design (Light Rail and/or Heavy Rail)
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in design of Signaling and Telecommunication systems i.e. ERTMS level II
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in design of Electrification Railway systems (Light Rail and/or Heavy Rails)
    - Experience within the last 5 years on the detailed design of a Single Railway line Project with a Capital cost of at least US\$ 1,000 million.
  - Experience in Construction**
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in Construction of Heavy Railway Civil Works such as tracks, tunnels, viaducts, flyovers, bridges, etc.
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in Electrified Rail track and railway station Construction
    - Minimum 10 years of experience in Construction and Installation of Electrification Railway systems (Light Rail and/or Heavy Rails)
    - Minimum of 5 years cumulative experience on Construction of Railway line and associated facilities of Minimum Capital cost of US\$1.0 billion in Africa or other developing countries with a similar environment
  - Financial Capacity**
    - Minimum average turnover in the last 5 years on detailed design services of US\$ 60 million
    - Minimum average construction turnover in the last 5 years of US\$ 1.0 billion
    - Demonstrated ability to finance a minimum of US\$ 600 million of design and construction work
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- Interested and eligible Tenderers may obtain a full set of the Tendering Documents in English on the submission of a written application to the address given below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of US\$ 500.00 (**United States Dollars: Five Hundred Only**). Payment should be by banker's cheque or cash, payable to Director General, Tanzania Railways Corporation, P.O. Box 76959, Dar es Salaam, Tel: No. +255 22 2122695, Fax: +255 22 2116525, E-mail: [dg@trc.co.tz](mailto:dg@trc.co.tz).
- All Tenders must be accompanied by a Tender security in an acceptable form of Bank Guarantee issued through the correspondent Local Bank in Tanzania in the amount of USD 30,000,000.00 of the Tender Price.
- Site visit (Option) will be held on **22nd September, 2020, at 8:00 AM** from Isaka- Mwanza following by a pre-tender meeting which shall be held on **24th September, 2020 at 10:00 AM** at TRC Mwanza Railway Station, Mwanza. Contractors will bear their own travel and upkeep costs, while one-way rail transport from Isaka-Mwanza shall be provided by the TRC.
- Sealed Tenders (**One Envelope containing two separate envelopes one for TECHNICAL and another for FINANCIAL**) must be deposited at Office of the Secretary of the Tanzania Railway Corporation Tender Board, Shaurimoyo Street, Dar es Salaam at or before 10:30 AM local time on 25th November, 2020 and explicitly bear the mention of "TENDER NO. PA/154/HQ/2020-21/W/01 (LOT 1) DESIGN AND BUILD CONTRACT FOR AN ELECTRIFIED STANDARD GAUGE RAILWAY (SGR) LINE FROM MWANZA TO ISAKA (249 KILOMETRES MAIN LINE AND 92 KILOMETRES SIDING/PASSING LOOPS) ON AN ALIGNMENT PARALLEL TO THE EXISTING METER GAUGE RAILWAY LINE". Tenders will be opened promptly thereafter in public and in the presence of Tenderers or their designated representatives who choose to attend the opening ceremony in TRC Conference Room, Shaurimoyo Street, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
- Electronic, telegraphic, telefax will not be accepted. Late submission of tenders shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances and will be returned to sender unopened.
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## TPSF offers training to women with disabilities to access business skills

By Guardian Reporter

THE Tanzania Private Sector Foundation (TPSF) has trained members of UWAVIUTE in business skills in a bid to make their future bright.

UWAVIUTE members are disabled tailors based in Temeke District, Dar es Salaam Region. They make garments

and other household items. The members were trained in simple bookkeeping and marketing.

The TPSF acting executive director, Zachy Mbenna, was instrument for giving small groups of private entrepreneurs a voice so that they could make use of local and foreign opportunities.

"We have given them free training because we want them to have a

bright future," Mr Mbenna said, adding that successful business depended on people having right business skills.

Mbenna said after the training the members would be able to do businesses online.

Meanwhile, the acting executive director, appealed to Tanzanians to buy Tanzanian goods in order to strengthen local industries.



Haghali Beleje (88) (L) and her sister, Sonna Mudee (91) (C), both residents of Msangalale in Dodoma Region, have a hard time making it to their house at the weekend. Sources say "someone" has dug a trench right next to the house in what appears to be part of a land ownership dispute. Photo: Correspondent Peter Mkwavila

## TBS destroys 2.2 tonnes of expired, prohibited foodstuffs and cosmetics

By Guardian Correspondent, Dodoma

TANZANIA Bureau of Standards (TBS) in central zone has destroyed 2.2 tonnes of foodstuff and cosmetics which have expired as well as those prohibited all valued at 20.1million/-.

Speaking here yesterday to reporters at Chidaya dumpsite in the outskirts of Dodoma City TBS quality control officer for central zone Sileja Lushibika said the exercise is sustainable and called upon traders to stop selling expired goods.

He said the good that have been destroyed came from Dodoma, Tabora and Singida regions and were removed from the shelves due to their having expired, while others are prohibited items.

He said the consignment that has been destroyed included 1.2 tons of foodstuff valued at 6m/- and 820 kgs of cosmetics, valued at 10million/- all of which had expired.



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"There was also 180 kgs of cosmetics valued at 4million/- that are prohibited by the government due to public health risk," he said.

Lushibika called on traders to be faithful by stopping selling expired and prohibited goods, and added that stern legal steps will be taken against all those found to do so.

He also called on buyers of such goods to adopt the habit of reading the packages to verify whether they have not expired.

He said TBS alone cannot stop this habit by traders selling expired goods without involving the community.

TBS safety officer Vincent Tarimo said users of various goods are supposed to be very careful when buying such goods.

## RC to sack ward officials for failure to resolve herders-farmers conflicts

By Guardian Correspondent, Rufiji

COAST Regional Commissioner Eng Evarist Ndikilo (pictured) has vowed, within one month, to sack all officials in divisions and wards that will continue to be home to farmers-pastoralists conflicts.

He gave the warning yesterday when speaking to Mkongo and Ikwiriri wards' residents in Rufiji District during his visit to hear peoples' complaints and address challenges to solve them.

Mkongo Ward residents complained over the existence of pastoralists in their area who have been grazing their animals in their farms, the practice that threatens famine for them.

Seif Lwambo, a Kilimani resident from Mkongo Ward told the RC that apart from their farms having been destroyed by floods earlier this year,



the pastoralists have now become another threat for the replanted crops.

He appealed the RC to ensure the herders are controlled in order to cultivate large farms as precautions against famine.

Apart from the one-month period given by the RC to village and ward officials to assess themselves before being sacked, he also called on them to cooperate in order to arrest the complaints from herders.

RC Ndikilo also gave one week to the Rufiji District Police Commander (OCD) to make sure he arrests a herder who is allegedly accused of raping an elder woman.

It is claimed the herder raped the woman a few days before his crops were eaten by cattle.

Ndikilo provided money to the woman for treatment at a health centre.

Rufiji District Commissioner Lt. Col. Patrick Sawala pledged to oversee the directives from the Regional Commissioner including the eradication of frequent conflicts pitting farmers and herders.

By Guardian Reporter

# 'Report environmental issues early'

THE director general of the National Environment Management Council (NEMC), Dr Samuel Gwamaka, said here yesterday that his just-ended visit of southern highlands regions showed that some environment officers did not

perform their duties properly while other did not report environmental problems early.

He told reporters that if problems were reported early, corrective measures would be taken in time

and would be effective. Reporting on environment would be one of criteria for measuring the performance of an environment officer.

"We learnt that our officers were not discharging their duties

properly, in some cases there was outright negligence... they must report problems early and reports must be sent to NEMC offices and the Vice-President's Office, Environment section," he said.

Dr Gwamaka failure to solve environmental problems could injure people's health and impair economic production.

The DG accompanied the Chairman of NEMC Board of Directors, Professor Esnati Chaggu on the regional tour.

He said environment officers must ensure environment is protected from

street/village level, division, municipal to regional levels.

"Our officers are expected to be accountable in their respective areas and send reports on their findings. When our officers perform poorly, it is community that suffers. It is high time people changed," he cautioned.

Dr Gwamaka said negligent officers would be punished.

He also NEMC's emergency response team worked for 24 hours.



Mussa Ngangala, director of a Shinyanga-based CSO known as Voice of Marginalised Communities, pictured at the weekend training students on ways to combat sexual violence and keep away from harm's way in respect of childhood pregnancies and early marriages. The thrust of the agency's mission is on safeguarding and promoting the rights of women and children. Photo: Correspondent Marco Maduhu

United Republic of Tanzania  
Ministry of Water



**Enabel**  
Belgian Development Agency

**CALL FOR BIDS**

**REHABILITATION OF MKONGORO GRAVITY-FED WATER SUPPLY SCHEME**

The Kingdom of Belgium through Enabel and the Government of Tanzania through the Ministry of Water, are implementing a water and sanitation project in Kigoma region. This is a 5-year project which runs through November 2022 and aims to provide sustainable water supply services in the region. This intervention has three key result areas namely: 1) sustainable water supply operations and maintenance, 2) water supply scheme rehabilitation and extension and 3) promotion of safe hygiene practices in domestic water management. Under the second result area, the Water and Sanitation Kigoma Region Project (WASKIRP) is now inviting bids from qualified construction companies to construct new water supply schemes in Buhigwe and the other in Uvinza District.

**Works contracts**  
**Lot 1:** Construction of Mwayaya Water Supply Scheme in Buhigwe District  
**Lot 2:** Construction of Kazuramimba Water Supply Scheme in Uvinza District

These public works contracts will consist of construction of pumping stations, a treatment plant, transmission mains and distribution network which includes distribution points. The preferred contractor will have demonstrated financial and technical capacity to carry out the assignment described in the specifications of this tender.

Duration: These works contracts are strictly for 8 months.

Interested companies are encouraged to get more information and the bid documents of these projects at: <https://btctanzania.wordpress.com/>

The works contract notice is also published on the Enabel website, [www.enabel.be](http://www.enabel.be), in the Belgian Public Tender bulletin (BDA) and on the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) website.

**Submission deadline: 11 September 2020;** submissions made outside stipulated instructions will not be entertained.



# NCBA BANK ARRIVAL

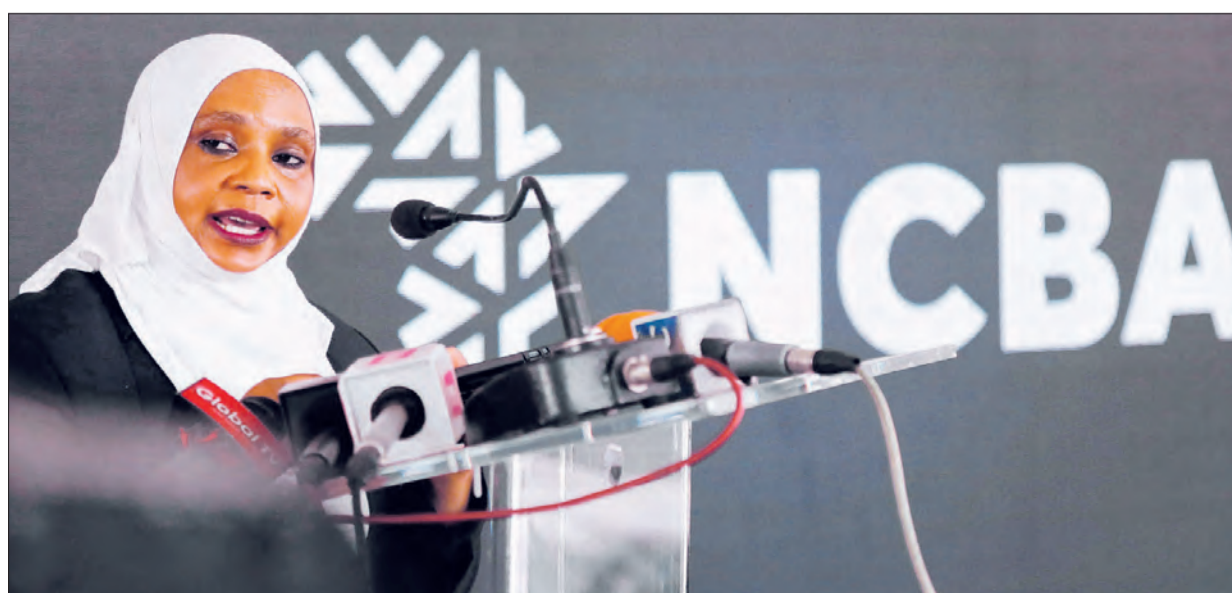
Welcome to the Bank that says **Go for it**



Deputy Minister for Finance and planning Hon Dr Ashatu Kijaji (C) cuts a ribbon to officially launch the new NCBA Bank Tanzania Head office in Dar es salaam this week. Looking (R) is the bank's Managing Director & CEO, Ms Margaret Karume and Chairman of the board of NCBA Bank, Mr Sharmapal Aggarwal.



The Managing Director and CEO of NCBA Bank Tanzania Limited, Ms Margaret Karume on the podium as she addresses the distinguished guests, customers and staff during the official launch of NCBA Bank in Tanzania.



The Deputy Minister for Finance and planning Hon Dr Ashatu Kijaji who was the guest of honor at the NCBA Bank launch speaking with the distinguished guests this week in Dar es Salaam.



**A historic NCBA arrival:** The Staff parade of NCBA Bank Tanzania Limited storming the streets of Dar es Salaam city during the celebrations of the arrival and launch of the new bank in Tanzania.

## DSW Tanzania urged to help more youth in Dar

By Guardian Reporter

UBUNGO Municipal Council (UBC) have called on DSW Tanzania—a global development organisation to establish more youth centers in Dar es Salaam to empower more youngsters with life and entrepreneurship skills.

Rose Mpeleta, a representative from the council made the call over the weekend when speaking at the official opening of the DSW Tanzania-sponsored Makuburi Youth Center.

She said that through Supporting Initiative for Youth Empowerment in Tanzania (SIYET), DSW is working a wonderful job including addressing a number of social issues including, family planning, community development and HIV-Aids awareness programs and youth education.

“Through this initiative, DSW Tanzania has strengthened youth groups, training youth on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) issues, entrepreneurship, leadership and vocational training,” Mpeleta said, adding:

“There are some young people in our municipality who have been empowered with soap making, glass-cutting and beads making skills and they are earning income. That’s why we’re asking DSW Tanzania to expand their scope of operation so that more youth are reached.”

She said: “What you do is wonderful as addresses challenges affecting the youth, whose number is increasing in the society and most of them, are in daring need of social and economic services. In this, there are more youth who are unaware of what to do, so by empowering them with all those skills it make them better citizens in future.”

The official also assured the youth in Makuburi ward that the municipal council will work closely with them to ensure that they reach to their desired dreams.

“At the municipality level, we’ll ensure that you (youth) get our all the support that will be wanted,” she said, urging the youth to take the centre as a

motivation to better in their day-to-day activities.

Mpeleta further called on youth in Makuburi ward to be good ambassadors of DSW Tanzania’s empowerment initiatives by taking what they have learnt to other youth in Dar es Salaam and the country at large.

In Dar es Salaam, the organization works with youth groups in Makuburi, Kibamba, Bunju and Magomeni wards.

Peter Owaga, DSW Tanzania country director urged youth in the area to use the newly built centre wisely, so that the intended mission is realized

He said that the newly established center provides a platform for youth in the area to meet and exchange their views on various issues ranging from reproductive health education, entrepreneurship and leadership skills.

Owaga also said that the center has been built at the tune of over 7m/-.

Apart from empowering youth, DSW runs youth clubs in different regions and there are many youth who do different activities—peer education and participation in health services’ deliveries, as well as economic activities to produce goods and do business.

In Tanzania, DSW works in the regions of Mtwara, Dar es Salaam, Tanga, Kilimanjaro, Dodoma, Mwanza, Arusha, Shinyanga and Manyara.

With headquarter office in Hannover, Germany, DSW Tanzania works with more than a million youth in different clubs for their own economic empowerment purposes.

The NGO was initiated to empower young people and communities in low- and middle-income countries, by addressing the issues of population dynamics and by improving health as a way to achieve sustainable development.

*“At the municipality level, we’ll ensure that you (youth) get our all the support that will be wanted”*



Tanzania Investment Centre managing director Dr Maduhu Kazi (R) holds talks in Dar es Salaam at the weekend with Ibrahim Qamar (L), a representative of Egyptian firm Elsewedy. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

THE MAASAI pastoralist community in Kisaki village, Morogoro Rural District have built three classrooms at Kisaki Primary School for their children.

This was disclosed by the community’s traditional leader Olewaso Timoyo at the weekend during the visit by the District Commissioner Bakari Msulwa.

Timoyo said they have resolved to support the government efforts to develop the education sector by building the three classrooms.

“Many of our children do not know

## Maasai community at Kisaki village builds three classrooms for children

how to read and write and that is because they are grazers for our livestock and initially we did not see the need to take them to school, but now we have realized the importance of education in the country,” he added.

He said their community decided to build the classrooms out of their efforts and assets and decided that every Maasai child should go to

school. He said soon after the classrooms are completed they will mobilize for each child to attend school.

He also congratulated the government for its efforts in developing the education sector in the country and pledged that the Maasai community will be in the frontline in solving various challenges facing the education sector in the country.

Saitoti Mwalimu, a village said a big percentage of pastoralists’ children are illiterate due their parents’ insensitivity to education but now all that was changing.

The District Commissioner, Bakari Msulwa hailed the move by the Maasai community to build the classrooms and promised to provide 3m/- for the completion of the project including other repairs for the school.



Plan International Tanzania, Kigoma Region

Request for Quotation (RFQ) for Supply of non-food items, MHM and Hygiene kits to Support Refugees’ Adolescent Girls and Boys Respectively  
RFQ No. PIT/KIB/ER/080

1. Plan International Tanzania is an International humanitarian child-centered development organization without religious, political or government affiliation. Plan’s mission is to achieve lasting improvements in the quality of life of deprived children in developing countries through a process that unites people across cultures and adds meaning to their lives. Plan is operating in Dar es Salaam, Coast, Morogoro, Geita, Kigoma, Rukwa, Dodoma and Mwanza regions. In addition, Plan also supports Burundian and Congolese refugees Kigoma region through Child Protection, Education in Emergencies programs.
2. Plan International Tanzania under FFO Grant has set aside funds for the program implementation and operations. It is intended that part of the proceeds of the funds will be used to cover eligible payment for provision of non-food items, MHM and Hygiene kits to support refugees’ adolescent girls and boys respectively.
3. Plan International Tanzania now invites sealed bids from eligible suppliers. Interested eligible bidders must confirm their intention to bid indicating all relevant contact information including an email address to [tenders.kibondo@plan-international.org](mailto:tenders.kibondo@plan-international.org) Bidding documents in the English language will be sent to interested bidders by email or be collected at Plan International, Kibondo office. Plan Tanzania will not be held responsible for any costs related to printing of the bid documents.
4. Bidders are hereby requested to submit quotation to [electronic.bids@plan-international.org](mailto:electronic.bids@plan-international.org) attn: Head of Procurement and Logistics, Plan International Tanzania before 10 AM Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020, marked “RFQ No. PIT/KIB/ER/080 for supply of non-food items, MHM and Hygiene kits to support refugees’ adolescent girls and boys respectively
5. Late bids shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstance.

Tender Panel

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## ‘Porn play stations destroying children in Moshi municipality’

By Guardian Reporter, Moshi

RESIDENTS of Bomambuzi Ward in Moshi Municipality, Kilimanjaro Region are annoyed on the mushrooming of digital play

station centres in the area that has spurred the increase of incidents of rape, sodomy and falling of education standards among the youth. They have called on the government to take

appropriate steps against stalls owners that show pornographic videos, saying large groups of children have been rushing to the stalls to view nude pictures. The residents registered

their annoyance at the weekend at the Municipality’s Pasua Sokoni Grounds during a special festival to discuss Covid-19 infections effects to women and children in the community.

Speaking at the discussion, Amani Bendera, a resident of the area and Chairman of Moshi Municipality’s Motorcycles and Tricycles owners group said: “What we want now is the removal of the play stations in the interest of our children, as they get attracted to the area where they get raped, sodomized while others become totally uncaring about their studies.”

Kanisani Street Chairman Juma Juma aka ‘Obama’ said as residents of the area, they expect to meet and pass a resolution calling for closure of the stalls, and if that happens, his office will swiftly close all of them.

The festival, organized by Tusome CDO under Equitas - an international NGO running the Education and Human Rights Centre.

Chairman of Bomambuzi Ward Emanuel Mgonja admitted the falling education standards especially since the time the schools were closed due to Covid-19 pandemic as many children were frequenting the play station stalls.

“We shall inspect all these centres to determine their legal existence, and we shall forcefully remove them if they will be found to be operating illegally,” he said.

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Zanzibar Education and Vocational Training minister Riziki Pembe Juma pictured at the State University of Zanzibar yesterday addressing people expected to enrol for university studies in the upcoming (2020/2021) academic year. Photo: Correspondent Rahma Suleiman

# Tour operators mull strategies to promote domestic tourism

By Correspondent James Lanka, Moshi

TOUR operators have been urged to take advantage of the massive opportunities in the tourism sector particularly in promoting domestic tourism for the country's development.

This was said by Edgardo Welelo, the founder of special Swahili language website, which is meant to promote Tanzania's tourism and destinations.

Welelo said that domestic tourism offers immense opportunities for tour operators to grab which include organizing tours targeting different groups in the society to visit tourist attractions.

He said lack of domestic tourism awareness is a gap and opportunity for the investors to take advantage and contribute to national economic building efforts.

Welelo who also owns the Moshi-based Tourism College called Udzungwa Mountains College Trust (UMCTO), said that the Swahili website is very crucial in promoting Tanzania's domestic tourism as it is a medium of instruction for many communities in the country.

"Most of the tourism adverts are in English language that targets only foreigners, insisting that, Swahili Website like the one he established will provide important information on the country's tourism sites and destinations so as to attract as many local tourists instead of depending only on foreign visitors," he said in an interview.

He added: "We are encouraging Tanzanians, particularly those in Kilimanjaro and nearby regions to take advantage of various natural tourist attractions at Mkomazi National Park (MNP) or Arusha national park (ANP) for escape and leisure after hard work."

Welelo further said various efforts that were put in promoting domestic

tourism in the country particularly the northern tourism circuit have paid off after increasing the number of visitors, but the use of the most spoken language in Tanzania-Swahili is vital for promoting sustainable tourism.

He said it is high time for players in the private sector to influence Tanzanians to become tourists in their own country and enjoy the leisure of the country's diverse natural heritage.

"Private sector may design affordable and attractive packages for locals in groups which suit most corporate and individual clients, especially those attending professional workshops, conferences and training throughout the country. People travel from different parts of the world to visit tourism attractions and we remain spectators with believing that tourism is for foreigners, expensive and a waste of money," he said.



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By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

# TARI-Uyole establishes centre for disseminating farming technology

THE Tanzania Agricultural Research Institute at Uyole (TARI-Uyole) in Mbeya has established a special centre for disseminating better farming technology and skills to farmers aimed to increase crops yields.

The centre has been established at the Nanenane exhibition grounds in Mbeya City and will operate all year round and that seedlings for various crops have started being prepared.

Speaking to reporters at the centre, TARI-Uyole director Dr Tulole Bucheyeki said the education will be disseminated both theoretically

and practically and that farms to be used will be those used during the exhibitions.

He said the institution's building during the exhibition will be used as classroom for teaching people farming theories before sending them to farms for practical training.

"We have enough experts which have been transferred here, they will work all the time at this area inside our institution, hence it will

be easy for the people to learn here," he said.

The centre's supervisor Lusungo Paul said already the centre has been receiving including students from various agricultural colleges.

He said the targeted are individual farmers, farming groups, public and private corporations, regional governments and local councils from the Southern Highlands regions and other stakeholders.

"We are asking local councils, the Executive Directors in particular, including private institutions to bring people here to learn about farming technology for better farming practices," he said.

TARI coordinator of research and innovation Dr Ndabhemeye Mlengeru said the establishment of the centre is a strategy of the Ministry for Agriculture to ensure there a continuity of farming education to the people.

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)/ REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI):

### SERVER UPGRADE AND REPLACEMENT FOR GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Geita Gold Mining Limited - GGML ("The Company") an AngloGold Ashanti Ltd ("AGA") subsidiary is located in North Western Tanzania, in the Lake Victoria Goldfields of Geita Region, about 120km from Mwanza and 4km West of the town of Geita.

The purpose of the EOI/ RFI is to explore the supply market for competent Suppliers with the requisite technical skills and Knowledge and financial capacity to undertake the project for server Upgrade and replacement Services to Geita Gold Mine in accordance with the RFI documents.

The responses to this EOI/RFI will be used to shortlist capable Service Providers that will be invited to respond to the Main Tender for the Server upgrade and replacement service for Geita Gold Mining Ltd (GGML). The details and dates for the issue of the Main Tender will be communicated to shortlisted Companies only. It is necessary to respond to this EOI/ RFI in order to be pre-qualified to be considered for the Main Tender.

#### Scope of work:

Provision of Server upgrade and replacement or Services as detailed below: -

S/N	Reference Number	Projects Description	Pre-Qualification Criteria
1.	GGME0840	Provision of Server upgrade and replacement	<p><b>I. General</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief Company Profile</li> <li>Company Ownership and Shareholding Organization structure</li> <li>Certified copy of Certificate of Incorporation/Registration</li> <li>Valid Tax Clearance Certificates</li> <li>Certified Copy of Valid Business License</li> <li>List of Key Personnel including their CV's and Academic Qualifications</li> <li>Details experiences of provision of services on similar work for the last 3 years and references from the past Employers (At least 3 reference letters from existing customers are required)</li> <li>OSHA Compliance and Environment Registration Certificates</li> <li>Compliance with the Mining (Local Content) Regulations, 2018 as amended and details of capability of the contractor to hire local resources and procure local goods</li> <li>Current Audited financial statements</li> <li>Local Content plan - Approved by mining Commission</li> <li>Technical Capability</li> <li>Warranty where applicable</li> <li>Service Reliability – to ensure quality service are provided</li> <li>Financial Capability – Prospective Bidders to provide details of their financial capability supporting their ability to render the service.</li> </ol> <p><b>II. Technical criteria</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dell Partnership Level: Must be a Local Dell Authorized Partner for Tanzania including MAF letter for Tanzania</li> <li>Dell Projects Experience: Must have done previous Dell Projects on Enterprise Equipment</li> <li>Vendor Implementation Services: Must have a relationship with Dell for installation/implementation services.</li> </ol> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Dell Installation/Implementation Services must include Unity Storage and Data Domain Backup Appliance</p>

Interested bidders must submit their expression Letters of Interest ("LOI") together with supporting information to GGML, which states the full name, address, telephone and e-mail address of the bidder, name of the principal contact, and signed by an authorized representative. The LOI must outline a statement of firm capability to provide supply and delivery of various Goods and Services, including similar contracts undertaken over the past three years. All LOIs and support documentation must be received by the GGML Office via e-mail at [geita.eoi@anglogoldashanti.com](mailto:geita.eoi@anglogoldashanti.com) not later than 0830 A.M 31st August 2020 (the "LOI Submission Deadline"). EOI submissions should not exceed 10MB per email. In case the size of the email exceeds 10MB, please split the submissions into more than one email.

## National Construction Council



### COURSE ON CONDUCT AND PRACTICE OF ARBITRATION HOLIDAY INN, DAR ES SALAAM from 23rd -25th September 2020

#### ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM

The National Construction Council is organizing a three day course on Conduct and Practice of Arbitration.

#### OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE

The objectives of the course are:

- To create awareness on the various methods of settling commercial disputes particularly alternative dispute resolution mechanism [ADR].
- To create awareness on the procedures for arbitration as means of resolving commercial disputes.
- To equip participants with knowledge on Law and procedural aspects of Arbitration.

#### COURSE CONTENTS

The course will cover the following: Settlement of dispute practice, Mediation in the Courts of Law, Law of Arbitration, Appointment of Arbitrators, Powers and Jurisdiction of the Arbitrator, Inter-locutory matters, Hearing procedure, Costs and Interest, Award and Challenges on Award. At the end of the course, participants will sit for an examination.

#### PARTICIPANTS

Participation is open to all those who are interested in the resolution of commercial disputes through arbitration and other alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. The course is of particular interest to: Architects, Engineers, Quantity Surveyors, Contractors, Estate Managers, Insurance personnel, Lawyers, Shipping industry personnel and other professionals.

#### VENUE

The course will be conducted at HOLIDAY INN Dar es Salaam.

#### DURATION

The course will run for three days from 23rd – 25th September, 2020. Each day the course will start at 8.30 AM.

#### COURSE FEE

The course fee is Tshs. 750,000.00 per participant. The fee is to cover for course materials, lunch, and refreshments. Participants should make their own travel and accommodation arrangements. Those who do not wish to attend the course but would like to sit for the examination only are also invited at a fee of Tshs. 375,000.00. Payments should be made through the NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION COUNCIL NMB account via payment control number. Early booking and confirmation is essential.

**NB: Please make your booking and Payment before 20th September, 2020.**

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# We cannot celebrate Women's Month in an atmosphere of fear

By Nonhlanhla Makhuba

What is there to celebrate when women across the country are consistently afraid of leaving their homes alone, returning home to abusive partners, and raising their daughters in an inherently violent society which disproportionately affects the girl child and women?

Every year, South Africa celebrates National Women's Month in August, in commemoration of the 9 August 1956 march of almost 20,000 women to the Union Buildings in Pretoria. Led by uMama uLilian Ngoyi, Rahima Moosa, Helen Joseph and Sophia de Bruyn, they marched to petition against the laws requiring South Africans who were classified as black in terms of the Population Registration Act to carry pass books.

This year, we celebrated 64 years since this iconic moment.

The government has selected the theme, "Generation Equality: Realising Women's Rights for an Equal Future" for Women's Month 2020. As we embark on these celebrations, we need to engage in an honest

conversation about the actual state of affairs for women living in this country.

It is common knowledge that violence is intricately woven into the fabric of South African society. The most recent crime stats (2019/2020) confirm this. Despite the national lockdown, crime stats soared and offences that target primarily women were no different. A significant increase in sexual offences paints a dark picture for the safety, dignity, and equal treatment of women in this country.

We cannot celebrate women in an atmosphere of fear.

Women across the country are consistently afraid of leaving their homes alone, returning home to abusive partners, and raising their daughters in an inherently violent society which disproportionately affects the girl child and women. The statistics are horrendous and should never cease to elicit a strong response from both the public and all government agencies.

Covid-19 has also taken its toll. Following the outbreak of the coronavirus in early March, South Africans were soon forced to



Every year, South Africa celebrates National Women's Month in August, in commemoration of the 9 August 1956 march of almost 20,000 women to the Union Buildings in Pretoria. Led by uMama uLilian Ngoyi, Rahima Moosa, Helen Joseph and Sophia de Bruyn, they marched to petition against the laws requiring South Africans who were classified as black in terms of the Population Registration Act to carry pass books.

remain in their homes.

In the first week of lockdown alone, the South African Police Service (SAPS) received 2,300 complaints of gender-based violence (GBV). Police Minister Bheki Cele said that in the first three weeks of the lockdown, government's GBV and Femicide Command Centre, which runs a toll-free, 24/7 emergency call centre, recorded more than 120,000 calls to the helpline for abused women and children. This is double the usual volume of calls. One can easily imagine the extent of violence that has occurred and continues to take place over the extended State of National Disaster.

According to the World Health Organisation (WHO), five times more women are murdered by an intimate partner in South Africa than anywhere else in the world.

GBV is indeed the second pandemic South Africa is facing. In fact, this pandemic was here before Covid-19 and will continue to ravage our communities long after it is over.

Over and above concerning GBV statistics, women have borne the brunt of the devastating economic downturn because of Covid-19.

Women occupy the overwhelming majority of unskilled labour positions and experience the most job insecurity in the labour market. Women make up the majority of frontline workers - nurses, social workers and other hospital staff. They are exposed to the pandemic in alarming proportions, yet they receive limited support.

Further, women continue to fight structural inequality in workspaces where their upward mobility is limited and there are fewer female executives than male ones. Women are paid less than their male counterparts and have to battle harassment of all forms, in disproportionate amounts, no matter what levels of professionalism they occupy.

Black women remain the most affected by the systemic inequality we see in South Africa. We may have a representative Parliament, and on paper, through our progressive laws, extend equality to all women, but on the ground, we are far from our imagined democracy.

Pandemics have the devastating effect of amplifying existing inequalities in the societies they affect, and Covid-19 has been no

different.

It cannot be the responsibility of women alone to effect change when it comes to the scourge of GBV. A collective self-reflection and effort must take place. More male voices must be heard calling out their peers and championing the cause for equal treatment of women and girls.

As we celebrate Women's Month, let us all come together and demand accountability from the government. Let us call on President Cyril Ramaphosa to tell South African women what has been done by the steering committee established in April 2019 to respond to the GBV crisis.

We demand a follow through on the National Strategic Plan on Gender-Based Violence and Femicide. We want to know where the action plan is. We want to know when legal changes will be implemented to guarantee harsher sentences for perpetrators of gender-based violence.

Until we have visible action and accountability from the government, all we have are empty promises for vulnerable women, and another hollow celebration for South Africa's women.

By Julius Jeh and Alphonso Toweh

Like in 2016 when the Government of Liberia designed a public-private partnership (now the Liberia Education Advancement Program - LEAP) with Bridge Liberia, U-Movement, Street Child and Rising Academies and other non-state providers to run public schools, disagreements, and criticisms from some legislators and civil society have continued to this day. Recently, an education coalition and the National Teachers Association of Liberia (NTAL) renewed the usual critiques after some furloughed employees (as a result of Covid-19) had complained about the process, despite partners such as Bridge living up to the Ministry of Labor's mandate per the COVID guidelines for the organization to pay non-essential staff half of their salaries, when not working.

NTAL has called many times loudly for Bridge to stop operating in Liberia, and waved placards. They are less active and vocal about making sure that Liberian teachers have their rights and are getting paid. The thousands of 'volunteer teachers' in government schools, wait in hope for the day that they will be put on the government payroll and paid for their work educating the country's youth. NTAL is strangely quiet about this situation. Even more odd is that they campaign against organisations who are paying teachers while they wait to be put on the government payroll - making sure they can feed their families. I have not heard their raised voices offer any other practical ideas, better or worse.

Now, NTAL are working with two former employees in the LEAP programme who were dismissed for breach of contract; to help them in their campaign with a spree of unfounded and made-up allegations against the edu-

## Why government partnerships make sense for delivering education



Former Education Minister backed up findings from a three year study conducted by two American independent research bodies, that showed the Liberian Education Advancement Program - has increased learning outcomes significantly

cation provider, Bridge. NTAL is happy to continue their campaign, teachers who are working hard and getting support, are not. While many mainstream media entities have seen through the allegations of angry ex-employees, a few others have continued to peddle the false claims with complete disregard for the facts which have been outlined. Others will think twice about working in Liberia and bringing funding into the economy if they have to work in an environment

where truth and facts are unimportant.

It has become messy, again. Ironic when the aim is to get from MESS to BEST. Despite the unfounded critique from these quarters, former Education Minister George Werner recently weighed in on the debate, expressing optimism that "public-private partnership is the future for education in Liberia." Speaking on the popular OK Conversation on OK FM 99.5, Mr. Werner argued that it was a false sense of dichotomy

from NTAL that private actors should not get involved in the provision of education, as the private sector is the original, historic provider of education. He noted that it is a win-win situation for the government and the public as entities like Bridge are providing better quality education with digital capability at a lower cost every year so far. When asked about NTAL's recent comments he says it is not new and began when he built the programme originally. However, he notes

it is things like this that stops Liberia progressing well. According to him, Bridge and other providers deserve commendation from the Union for paying government teachers (mostly volunteers) who were otherwise not being paid before the entities took over the running of the schools. Getting government teachers on the government payroll has been a long running challenge for all administrations.

The former Education Minister backed up find-

ings from a three year study conducted by two American independent research bodies, that showed the Liberian Education Advancement Program - has increased learning outcomes significantly. Other countries are now adopting the model, thanks to its success in Liberia - as attested to by local educational officials, parents and guardians, even from the remote parts of the country.

Now with COVID, the programme in partner-

ship with the MoE's Emergency in Education continues to benefit Liberian students in all counties using radio, digital study materials and SMS - all remote parts of the country are still learning. In schools, teams are helping distribute food and teaching about hygiene as well as supporting all remote learning efforts.

Mr Werner believes Bridge is mostly being criticised once again because it is the lighting rod for the education program. LEAP's success raises challenges for the development sector as a whole when it has seen the advances made by private providers in government systems. People are worried, not only about the success of the programme but the success of a big organisation in public education; even if it's as a government partner. Bridge presides over the highest number of schools, and the expectations are high both in terms of learning and team performance. That is right and it is what we should expect from all institutions if we are serious about growth and prosperity. Mr Werner in fact expressed support for this approach "If somebody is not up to the mark on the job, it is not like our public sector where they would go to someone to beg. In the private sector we have a company to run, you can't go there and expect to become a politician, pushing allegations to undermine the institution, damaging the chances of our youth, you should get pushed out."

LEAP is a programmatic success for the country. It has a proud legacy for Mr. Werner even more so because it is championed quietly by the current Ministry of Education. The government should claim it loudly; instead the worry now is that other countries who visited Liberia in several years have replicated the programme and will steal the acclaim. Liberia as the first will be forgotten and we will have ourselves to blame.

# General Babangida at 79: A hero or a heroic failure?

By Dan Muye

Monday, 17th August, 2020, marks another birthday for former President Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida (IBB), our nation's 8th ruler. Where presidential birthdays are a cause for public reflection, this too is not supposed to pass without some reflection. Not entirely surprising because he is one of the ex-leaders some Nigerians love to hate and prominent on the regular lists of the most "mistrusted presidents".

His case is a metaphor for destiny, as all he aspired in life as a youngster was to become a practising civil engineer, but ended up becoming the President of Nigeria.

To talk about IBB requires a thesis. He is a gentle-mannered, cosmopolitan, charming, elegant, consensus-builder, eloquent, modest, proud African, peacemaker and one of the truly iconic figures of modern times. General Babangida is not a run-of-the-mill persona, but an extraordinary leader whose footprints are literally everywhere in the country with a happy and optimistic temperament which enabled him to stand for his constituency and the country without losing sight of larger interests.

As a young Lieutenant, on his return from United Kingdom in 1967, he was

posted to the war front. His first taste with battle was at the Nsukka sector where he fought gallantly in the Civil War under the command of General Muhammad Wushishi. A year after in August 1968 as a Captain, he was given the command of the 44 Infantry Battalion, known as "The Rangers" that was known for its bravery to both the Nigeria and Biafran side of the war.

All those who served under him gave testimonies of the sacrifices he made not only to win the war, but the knack to manage casualty for loss of lives from both federal and Biafran forces. On 13th February, 1976, when General TY Danjuma gave him a matching order to go and crush the coup plotters at the premises of Nigerian Broadcasting Corporation House, Ikoyi, Lagos, where Lt. Col BS Dimka and his co-plotters were, he complied. Unarmed, coming face-to-face with the coup plotters, he was able to neutralise the leader of the rebel, a turning point in quashing the coup that claimed the life of General Murtala Mohammed. His heroic exploits against the plotters boosted his profile, not only with the army, but also the entire armed forces, and he became a household name to Nigerians.

Action and dynamism were central to IBB's appeal. Till date, he remains the only ex-president at par with our



founding fathers who have influenced our national development. Some of the signature projects of his administration included: Lagos 3rd Mainland Bridge, Abuja-Kaduna-Kano dual carriage way, Phase 1 & II of Federal Secretariat Complex in Abuja, 6 Military Barracks in Abuja, International Conference Centre, ECOWAS Secretariat, Aso-Rock Presidential Villa, and so many projects too numerous to mention.

The most important prerequisites for a leader are vision to overcome the danger of stagnation and courage to navigate hitherto uncharted territory. His administration gave local government areas full executive powers; their

share of revenue from the federation account was increased from 10% to 20% and paid directly to their treasuries bypassing the state governments.

His late wife, Mrs. Maryam Babangida's "Better Life for the Rural Women" was instrumental in closing gender gap and ushered involvement of women in governance of Nigeria. From mid 80's to date, we have had women as appointed and elected officials at the state, central government and private sector. IBB exhibited a "mathematical cast of mind" and a "taste for adventure". He had the intuition of grasping situations holistically.

IBB is blessed with a deep sense of obligation

that he did his best to take the country from where it was to where it had never been. His attempt at re-engineering Nigeria can never be regarded as a whacked exertion. For instance, the Structural Adjustment Programme SAP led to the establishment of the following institutions: FIRS, NDIC, NEXIM, NERFUND, NEPZA, NAIS, NDE, NASENI, FMBN, NPC, SHESTCO, NMC, NPC, NALDA, RMRDC, NAFDAC, NDLEA, TAC, and RMAFC. Three decades after, the aforementioned agencies and many others are still functioning and aiding the nation's economic growth and development.

Despite being accused of manipulating and

aborting the transition programme in order to prolong his stay in power, he facilitated the entrance of new breed of politicians. Many revelations show that the annulment of June 12 election was handiwork of members of the political elite pursuing selfish interests. The significant political gladiators that blamed him for annulling the election ended up lobbying and taking appointments as ministers, ambassadors and other heads of agencies immediately after he stepped aside. Today, the young politicians that emerged owing to the cancellation of June 12 elections are those currently controlling both political and economic power in Nigeria.

His foresight for creation of states and LGAs in 1987 and 1991 helped in aking governance to the grassroot. The states and LGAs he created offered opportunities for people and communities who have for long been neglected, relegated, under-represented at both the state and federal level sto have a voice.

Among President Babangida's greatest legacies is accomplishing the dream of Late General Murtala Muhammad's administration by moving the capital of the country from Lagos to Abuja.

President Babangida is a visionary leader who values knowhow,

excellence, merit and good governance. He proved that by stocking his administration with brain powers, policy makers, strategists and professionals. Some of his ministers, appointees and committee members contributed immensely to the development of the nation.

General IBB is a visionary leader who shunned the traditional, authoritarian and anti-Western norm of leadership whose administration kick-started the economic diversification of Nigeria. General Babangida indeed does deserve to be called a hero. This is because his achievements are still very glaring, enduring and will increase in significance as the years press on.

As he clocks 79, I will end with one of his quotes, "History will forgive you for taking a wrong decision, but history will not forgive you for not taking a decision at all". Every leader, even those that were feted as the best in the world have their shortcomings.

This is to join the family, friends, associates and well-wishers on this occasion of the unique anniversary to salute his selfless, unwavering commitment to humanity and astonishing accomplishments to the country. Happy birthday and happy many more years of sound health to the most urbane president in the history of Nigeria.

By Omphemetse S Sibanda

The risk of corruption under the country's post-Covid-19 recovery will be with us for a long time. It is important not to let our guard down, excited that many of the things we could not do under Levels 5 to 3 can now be done.

Much was said by President Cyril Ramaphosa in his announcement on 15 August that South Africa will be placed on lockdown Level 2. What struck a chord for me is the fact that as a country we have had to endure a lot: "It has been an immensely difficult five months, and the pandemic has taken a heavy toll - on the health of our people, on families and communities, on the public health system, on the economy and on people's everyday lives", said Ramaphosa.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in its document "Policy measures to avoid corruption and bribery in the Covid-19 response and recovery" describes this as a time of "unprecedented challenges of human suffering, uncertainty and major economic disruption on a global scale".

Ramaphosa takes South Africa out of hard lockdown, lifts cigarette and alcohol ban

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Worth noting are the words by Ramaphosa that "we have proven our resilience as a nation over the past five months" and that "the task before us now is to apply the same energies with which we have battled this pandemic to the economic recovery effort".

The president also appreciated that the country

## Rooting out corruption is the duty of law enforcement agencies and not politicians



will have to traverse a long road towards full economic recovery:

"Even as we open up economic activity, it will take a long time for industries and businesses to recover, and there is much work still to be done," noted Ramaphosa.

South Africa's post-Covid economic recovery will be multifaceted, requiring a comprehensive series of innovative legislative, policy, and practical interventions. Consider, for example, the comprehensive blueprint for a post-Covid recovery and building economic resilience issued by the American Sustainable Business Council (ASBC) in April. The strength of such a recovery plan lies with it addressing key issues including putting in place effective policies to encourage small business retention; reframing economic development policy and practices to focus on local business needs and local economies; and banking, finance and procurement practices. Other areas that will need closer attention are health and safety, climate and energy, and food and water security.

Recovery plans must be free

from corruption to be sustainable

Anti-corruption is critical in the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Thus, any post-Covid-19 recovery plan must take into account the SDG targets on corruption and requires major policy shifts and structural reforms to the economy. The world is replete with examples that corruption is an antithesis to development and economic recovery. To this end, we must implore the government of South Africa to work towards achieving the anti-corruption targets in SDG 16, if it is serious about sustainable post-Covid-19 economic recovery. SDG 16 targets enjoin countries to promote access to justice, transparency, accountability and integrity.

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However, it must be conceded that South Africa's socio-economic recovery will not be easy, and may face some perennial challenges such as corruption. The Desmond and Leah Tutu Foundation correctly warned that corruption will

hamper South Africa's Covid-19 recovery plans. In fact, the risk of corruption during the country's post-Covid-19 recovery will be with us for a long time. The OECD also noted that Covid-19 responses and recovery plans create endless opportunities for corruption and bribery: "Identifying and addressing corruption risks will thus be crucial to protect trust in public institutions and business, and to galvanise public confidence in the governments' ability to mobilise an effective crisis response," noted the OECD.

Thus, it is important not to let our guard down, excited that many of the things we could not do under Levels 5 to 3 can now be done. The ills of corruption are well known and well documented and should never be forgotten as we enter the Covid-19 countrywide economic activities and recovery initiatives.

In her 2015 book, "Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security," Sarah Chayes, using Afghanistan as a case study, explains the consequence of unchecked corruption. Unchecked corruption is

the source of instability, national frustration, and can be the cause for violence or violent protests and people seeking puritanical solutions. Chayes refers to the Afghan government as a vertically integrated criminal network where low-level government officials skim money from the population and the high-level officials loot the money with a guarantee of protection from prosecution.

Corruption and well-planned criminal networks are what we all should be worried about with regard to the government's economic recovery plans. I do not want to suggest that the South African government is organised in a mafia style, with kleptocrats, skimners, and thieves waiting to fleece resources earmarked for the post-Covid-19 recovery plan.

Interestingly, however, some of the accusations in the book have been repeated against renowned South African politicians, the government or government officials. For example, investigative journalist Pieter-Louis Myburgh's book on State Capture was titled "Gangster State: Unravelling Ace Magashule's Web of Capture"; and a forensic report into the role of individuals and municipalities in the looting of the Venda Building Society (VBS) was titled "The Great Bank Heist", with allegations implicating key members from the ruling African National Congress (ANC) and the opposition Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) or those associated with these two parties in corrupt prac-

tices. Former Public Protector Thuli Madonsela's report on an investigation conducted into allegations of impropriety and unethical conduct relating to the installation and implementation of security and related measures at the private residence of former president Jacob Zuma at Nkandla was titled "Secure in Comfort". Madonsela's report on the investigation into allegations of maladministration relating to financial mismanagement, tender irregularities and appointment irregularities against the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa) was aptly titled "Derailed".

As I noted in a previous article in Daily Maverick, the government's Covid-19 responses with regards the procurement of personal protective equipment (PPE) have been marred by allegations of corruption systematically organised around benefiting ministers, public officials, politicians, and well-connected individuals and their families.

We must purge corruption from the belly of the Covid-19 beast

Legal, ethical and accountable approach to Covid-19 recovery

Back to the OECD policy: some measures are notable and should be given priority in South Africa. With regard to accountability and control of the economic recovery measures, the report calls for the integration of anti-corruption risk assessments "throughout programme design and delivery phases, in the areas

of economic stimuli, subsidies, official development assistance, and export credits" and that "actual instances of corruption and bribery should be addressed comprehensively, using a whole-of-government approach where possible".

The OECD cautioned against the exploitation by unscrupulous and corrupt individuals of the economic and fiscal measures being implemented by the government. A typical case of such exploitation was the abuse of the emergency PPE procurement measures in South Africa.

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To use the words of the OECD policy, how the South African government dealt with corruption that may creep in during the recovery phase of the economy will provide "a stress test for public integrity and public financial management systems, and more specifically internal control systems within public organisations".

I wish I could confidently say that as a country we have everything under control and that we will deal holistically and effectively with corruption. Unfortunately, it would seem that the president's recalibration of our anti-corruption landscape with regard to Covid-19 is flickering. More concerning is when the oligarchs and politicians are given the authority to investigate their cronies, as with the announcement by Ramaphosa that a six-member Committee of Ministers (CoM) will investigate the corruption in PPE. The CoM is seen as a ruse to exonerate or create doubt regarding the complicity of comrades in the alleged PPE procurement corruption.





## BUSINESS



BASA CEO Patricia Pillay.

RELAXED

## Beer Association relieved to reopen trade after wave of bankruptcies

JOHANNESBURG

The Beer Association of South Africa (BASA) said it's relieved that the sale of alcohol may resume under Alert Level 2 of the lockdown, especially for restaurants, bars and taverns.

"We can assure customers that we are ready to serve them under the strictest safety conditions, taking into account social distancing and health protocols," BASA CEO Patricia Pillay said. BASA brings together the Craft Brewers Association, Heineken South Africa and South African Breweries in order to form a unified voice on issues affecting the beer industry.

Thousands of business closures

The Association also welcomed government's consideration that protecting livelihoods is equally important as saving lives. Many businesses in the beer industry have still not recovered from the first nine-week ban in place from 27 March to 31 May, including 8,000 licensed taverns and 30% of craft breweries that were bankrupted. The second ban, that came into effect on 13 July, forced an additional 15% of craft breweries and thousands more taverns to shut down permanently.

"This is a tragedy of epic proportions, especially since 54% taverns are owned by women supporting their families," Pillay added. In addition to jobs losses, the bans forced South African Breweries to cancel R2.5bn in capital and infrastructure upgrades this financial year; it is currently reviewing a R2.1bn planned spend for 2021. Heineken South Africa has also halted plans for a R6bn brewery expansion in KwaZulu-Natal, which would have created 400 new jobs.

"It is therefore critical that we do not ever have a repeat of the situation we had on 12 July 2020, where an immediate ban on the legal trade in alcohol was announced - without the industry being given any prior warning or opportunity to engage. This posed major logistical and operational challenges for beer manufacturers, distributors and retailers.

"The sudden announcement also placed a huge financial strain on businesses who had bought stock, which they were prevented from selling, which had to be subsequently discarded due to being expired," Pillay said.

"We appreciate however the challenges government is facing when it comes to fighting the Covid-19 pandemic. As responsible South Africans, we will continue to work with government to identify hospitals in need of support during the pandemic and will provide personal protective and other related equipment."

Responsibility to help fight alcohol abuse

The beer industry, along with the broader alcohol sector, recognised that they have has a responsibility to help fight alcohol abuse in communities.

"At the National Economic Development and Labour Council (Nedlac), we are working with government, labour and community on a social compact to address the underlying societal issues linked to alcohol abuse, and how South Africans' views and behaviour around alcohol consumption and abuse can be changed for the better.

"We are also committed to partnering with government to implement its Gender-Based Violence Masterplan. Furthermore, we support government's zero tolerance for drinking and driving campaign, as well as amendments to the legal blood-alcohol limit for drivers," Pillay said.

"We can, and we must, fight against alcohol abuse and its underlying causes. But we must also recognise that alcohol consumption and abuse does not stop just because the trade of alcohol is banned or restricted. The illicit black market has flourished over the past few months with people having continued to find ways to consume and abuse alcohol, often more recklessly and dangerously than before.

"We trust that the Nedlac process and our broader engagements will ensure that government and the alcohol industry moves forward together as partners," Pillay said. The industry committed to play its part in cooperatively dealing with issues as they arise rather than having another ban summarily imposed. "Together, we can devise sustainable solutions that encourage citizens to responsibly exercise their choices, that prioritise lives during the Covid-19 pandemic and that safeguard livelihoods across the value chain," Pillay concluded.

COOPERATION

## TPA seeks deal with NIT to train its human capital

By Guardian Reporter

**I**n a bid to build capacity of its employees, Tanzania Ports Authority is planning to sign a memorandum of understanding with National Institute of Transport to train them on latest marine skills.

Speaking during a familiarization tour of NIT's Governing Council members last week, the institute's Rector Professor Zacharia Mganilwa said TPA management has promised to work with them to train staff through its various marine programmes.

"We are welcoming Tanzania Ports Authority's decision to collaborate with us and an MoU will be signed soon," Prof Mganilwa said adding that NIT has acquired 115.6 acres of land in Lindi Region to expand its maritime training facility.

He said that the Lindi plot will be used by newly established School of Shipbuilding and Marine Technology (SSMAT). "Maritime transport training is one of the five modes of courses being offered by National Institute of Transport," he said.

He noted that the Dar es Salaam based institute has divided maritime transport courses into two major disciplines: maritime transport management and maritime transport engineering. The NIT chief also urged TPA to make sure that it competes at par with neighbouring ports of Mombasa in Kenya and Beira in Mozambique. "Dar es Salaam Port received 17 million tons of cargo last year, while our competitors, Mombasa received 34 million tons of cargo and Beira in Mozambique got much more at 44 million tons of cargo in 2019," he revealed.

Speaking during the visit, Dar es Salaam Port Manager, Elihuruma Lema said the country's prime port is currently handling over 90 percent of all seaborne trade and serves eight landlocked countries with a combined



Dar es Salaam Port manager (R) Elihuruma Lema briefs members of NIT's governing council who visited the facility.

population of approximately 200 million.

"We want to forge partnership that will see our employees get training at NIT," Lema said adding that the responsibility to serve as maritime gateway for the country and the landlocked countries demand competent staff.

Dar Port serves Burundi, DR Congo, Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda and Zambia in addition to the host nation. "There are also small coastal ports which are under the supervision of Dar Port and they include Mafia and Bagamoyo," he stated.

"Currently the port open storage areas which have the capacity to store 9,780 containers, 4,650 motor vehicle units at any given time. Dar es Salaam Port has the capacity to handle 10.34 million tons per annum with 11 berths," Lema added.

The country's prime port also comprises of Berths 1-7 for general cargo with capacity of 3.1m tons per annum, Berths 8 - 11 for containers have capacity of 400,000 TEUs managed by TICTS. Other terminals include Bulk Liquid with six million tons per annum, grain terminal

with 30,000 metric tons and the dockyard with capacity of 21,000 square metres.

He pointed out that TPA is currently undertaking major expansion and modernization of Dar es Salaam Port involving Berths 1-7, dredging and widening of the port's entrance channel. "All this investment is aimed at improving efficiency and facilitating growth of trade by reducing time for cargo clearance from the port and ultimately reduce cost of cargo shipments along the Central Corridor," the Dar Port Manager added.

Upon completion, the Dar Port expansion and modernization project will ultimately result in increased cargo throughput to 28 million metric tons per annum by 2025, reduced vessel waiting time from 80 hours to 30 hours and enhancing vessel turnaround time from an average of two to 1.5 days. The modernization of Dar es Salaam Port will also improve cargo trucks turnaround time from an average of two hours to an hour as well as improving dwell time from an average of 10 days to three days.

REBUTTAL

## Dutch conglomerate Rabobank dismisses NMB share sale talk

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

NETHERLANDS based financial conglomerate Rabobank, which is a strategic investor in NMB Bank Plc, has dismissed reports that it plans to sell its 34 percent stake at the local bank.

Dutch Embassy's First Secretary for economic affairs, Mathij van Eeuwen said in Dodoma last week after receiving a 16.8bn/- divided pay cheque from NMB Bank, that the social media reports have no figment of truth.

Eeuwen told Finance and Economic Planning Minister, Dr Philip Mpango, NMB's Board Chairman, Dr Edwin Mhede and CEO, Ruth Zaipuna that Rabobank actually will transfer its shares to Arise which it also owns.

"We have no plans to withdraw from NMB and as we had already informed the government of Tanzania, our decision is to shift the shares to Arise which is an institution owned by Rabobank," he noted.

He further assured Dr Mpango that the Dutch bank has confidence in NMB's leadership which has resulted into sustained impressive performance for many years. "What Rabobank is actually doing is a normal thing in business and investments," Eeuwen added while expressing confidence in newly appointed CEO, Ruth Zaipuna.

Speaking at the same event, Minister Mpango commended Rabobank's leadership for its decision to invest in NMB and maintain its shares which has made the former state owned bank into the largest in the market.

"We also thank Rabobank's owners for endorsing the appointment of the first Tanzania as CEO of the bank since its privatization," Dr Mpango stated while assuring the Dutch envoy that the government will continue to put in place a conducive environment for private investments to yield better results.

He said private investments made by banks such as Rabobank are important in ensuring that the government gets revenue to finance development projects mentioning the 15.2bn/- that Treasury received as dividend from NMB this year as an example.

In her remarks, NMB's Zaipuna said apart from dividend paid to Treasury and Rabobank as majority shareholders, minority shareholders who include individual Tanzanians received 13bn/- in total as divided this year.

"We are looking forward to making more profit this year based on our half year performance so far," Zaipuna added while thanking both Treasury and Rabobank for supporting her management.



Finance and Economic Planning minister, Dr Philip Mpango.

## African gem miner digs up 442-carat diamond that may sell at \$18 million

MASERU

A small diamond miner that has dug some of the world's most valuable gems from a mountainous African kingdom has found another huge stone.

Gem Diamonds said on Friday it had unearthed a 442-carat diamond at its Letseng mine in Lesotho. While it's hard to establish a price for such stones before cutters can evaluate them, it could sell for as much as \$18

million Edward Sterck, an analyst at BMO Capital Markets wrote in a note. Given the rarity of such large stones, demand for big diamonds has traditionally been resilient, even at times when the wider industry has struggled.

The Letseng mine is famous for the size and quality of the diamonds it produces and has the highest average selling price in the world. Two years ago, Gem Diamonds found a 910-carat stone,

the size of two golf balls, that sold for \$40m.

The find comes as the global diamond industry has been brought to its knees by the pandemic. Jewellery stores have closed and India's cutting industry, which handles almost all of the world's stones, has come to a halt. The miners that dominate the industry, De Beers and Russian rival Alrosa, have seen their rough diamond sales collapse.

## INVESTMENT

# African central bank governor approve framework for micro-enterprise finance



Bank of Tanzania governor, Prof Florens Luoga.

By Francis Kajubi

AFRICAN central banks' governors and their deputies have approved a framework for enhancing Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) intended to finance and strengthening them.

In a statement on Friday, Bank of Tanzania said during the 8th Annual African Financial Inclusion Policy Initiative (AFPI) virtual roundtable meeting chaired by Professor Florens Luoga, the governors agreed that implementation of the financial inclusion policy and related responses is pivotal to ensuring that social stability is maintained.

They approved the framework that contains approaches to enhance financing of MSMEs in Africa with involvement of private and public sector dialogue on strengthening last mile delivery channels for digital financial services uptake.

In line with the new framework, Prof Luoga informed his peers that Tanzania is implementing a National Financial Inclusion Framework for 2018/22, which focuses on usage of financial services as the next phase of the country's financial inclusion journey. The framework emphasizes on aspects of women and MSMEs.

"MSMEs contribute significantly to employment creation,

income generation and stimulation of growth in both urban and rural areas. Tanzania is reviewing small and medium size enterprises development policy of 2003 to come up with a new one which will provide a conducive environment to MSMEs to ensure they access finance easily," Prof Luoga said.

Addressing the virtual meeting, Central Bank of Kenya Governor, Dr Patrick Njoroge said challenges including concerns of credit to MSMEs as well as working with large telecoms to convince them to come to the fore to address the pandemic lest it becomes a systemic crisis.

Speaking earlier, outgoing AfPI Chairperson who is also Governor of the central bank of Guinea, Dr Louncény Nabé thanked his peers for the cooperation he enjoyed during the past two years. Dr Nabé called upon members of the body to continue their commitments in implementing the framework in their respective countries.

Alliance for Financial Inclusion was founded on the idea that a global knowledge exchange platform is key to expanding and improving financial inclusion policy. Over the years the AfI network, with the support of its partners, has invested deeply in this platform and data shows the model is delivering tangible results. AfPI is AfI's African regional forum.

## STIMULUS

## At least 600 projects seek funding from new culture and creative recovery grant

KIGALI

A total of 668 project proposals have been pitched and submitted to Imbuto Foundation seeking funding from the recently launched Cultural and Creative recovery grant.

Launched in July, the recovery fund is a financial grant initiated by the Ministry of Youth and Culture and Imbuto Foundation to support young artists with seed funding and business training to implement innovative projects and overcome challenges caused by Covid-19.

Application was open to all Rwandans, either individuals or enterprises that have artistic and innovative projects with the potential of creating job opportunities and skills development in the Cultural and Creative Art Industry.

Eligible applicants for the funding vary from individual artists, an organisation in the creative and cultural industry and an organisation in another sector (ICT, multimedia or e-commerce) that aims to support artists in the creative and cultural industry.

Joel Murenzi, the Youth Empowerment Unit Coordinator at Imbuto Foundation, told The New Times that they are looking for projects that have the potential of creating jobs, projects that can support skills development gaps or ideas and tools that can facilitate/boost commercialization of Made in Rwanda art products.

"The selection criteria will be based on the originality and relevance of the project, its target population and expected impact, observed research made on the subject (if applicable), the creativity expressed in its presentation as well as the business plan," Murenzi said in an interview.

## Selection

The grant winners will be selected by a panel of judges with an expertise in Cultural and Creative Industry, entrepreneurship and innovation. The assigned panel of judges is currently pre-selecting the best 60 projects, from which the 30 top winners will be selected from a pitching phase. The best projects will be announced by mid-September 2020 where each one of the 30 winning projects will be awarded with Rwf 10,000,000 seed funding.

The grant will be disbursed in two instalments. The second instalment will be disbursed upon evaluating the performance of how the first instalment was used. Whoever misuses the grant will be investigated and charged by relevant authorities, the official said.

Prior to receiving the funding and during the implementation of their projects, successful applicants will undergo a boot camp training to fine-tune their projects as well as an intensive training on financial management.

The training will be part of a six-month coaching that will be provided by Business Professionals Network (BPN). The creative industry is among the hardest hit sectors since the first case of the novel coronavirus was reported in Rwanda in mid-March.

However, given the high demand and the loss that was experienced by the key players in the industry, Murenzi believes the grant will play a significant contribution to the sector's recovery so that it can bounce back from the crisis caused by the pandemic and promised to advocate for more opportunities that can contribute to the recovery of the industry.

## WARNING

# IATA lists hurdles that will slow Kenya's aviation revival

NAIROBI

Kenya is among five key regional markets that will continue to see job losses and diminished passenger numbers even after the resumption of local and international flight services.

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) has listed Kenya, Ethiopia, South Africa, Nigeria and Rwanda as the countries that would be adversely impacted on passenger numbers and jobs, following the slow recovery in the sector. Kenya is estimated to have 223,600 jobs at risk by the end of this month, which is up from 207,800 that had been projected in June.

IATA Economics' latest outlook for key national markets in Africa has worsened since the previous assessment in June. For example, passenger numbers, jobs at risk and GDP impacts for the five biggest African markets have declined across every metric," said IATA.

The association noted that continued financial and regulatory support, particularly financial relief – that does not increase industry debt levels – through direct cash injections, credit or loans and deferrals or discounts on user charges are essential to support airlines over the restart and recovery period.

"We are grateful to the few African



Kenya Association of Air Operators' executive secretary, Eutyclus Waithaka.

governments that have provided relief to aviation so far - Rwanda, Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso and recently Cape Verde. Their actions have helped save thousands of jobs and will enable some airlines to restart and support the wider economies they serve," said the association.

"But the situation is worsening. Continued relief measures are essential to minimise job losses and ensure that connectivity can be restored. We urge African

governments and the development institutions who have committed funding to provide it urgently in a structure that does not weaken already stressed airline balance sheets, before it is too late."

Kenya is among African nations that are yet to release all the required funds for the national carrier, Kenya Airways months after the airline requested for a bailout. Private players have also sought State aid in a bid to weather the Covid-19 storms, but this is yet to be granted. Treasury said the national carrier is seeking over Sh7 billion in bailout in order to survive in this turbulent times.

The airline, however, said they had requested for Sh9 billion as a bailout package and that they had so far received Sh5 billion in January with the balance expected to be issued in July. Domestic air travel operators said they are yet to get Sh10 billion bailout they requested from Treasury to cushion them from reduced bookings.

The Kenya Association of Air Operators (KAAO) executive secretary Eutyclus Waithaka told Shipping and Logistics in an interview that their application is still pending at the Ministry of Transport in a move which could delay the recovery of the airlines. The association, that represents all licensed commercial air operators

such as Safarilink, Jetways, and Fly 540, had requested for the funds from the state in April to settle staff salaries.

They also wanted to use the funds to settle navigation and landing charges at airports. "Sh10 billion is the money local aviation is yet to receive from state in bailout. In our meeting with Transport Ministry three weeks ago, they said they are still looking at how they can support the industry," he said.

Mr Waithaka said the Sh10 billion is not a grant or a loan but a "relief fund" to help cushion the sector from collapse during this difficult time. He noted that the State will decide whether the money will come in the form of tax concessions or "release from banks".

Apart from the Sh10 billion state bailout they are yet to receive from the State, KAAO said another key challenge facing domestic air operators is the low uptake of air ticket by passengers. Some airlines, he said are still carrying passengers at 30 percent capacity since the resumption of flights on July 15.

"We are currently at 30 percent. If passengers will be assured of their safety in our planes, we think the numbers will jump up to 50 percent. The low passenger numbers can also be attributed to depressed earnings at the moment," he said.

## CONTROVERSY

# NGO considers government international fuel tender 'tainted'

MAPUTO

The Centre for Democracy and Development (CDD), a Mozambican non-governmental organisation (NGO), said the international tender launched by the government for the selection of a fuel marking company tainted due to suspicions of lack of transparency.

In an analysis it released on Friday, the CDD stated

that the Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy (Mireme) of Mozambique was forced to suspend the tender, launched on 22 June this year, following legal action by the consortium led by the Swiss company SICPA, also a competitor and that it feels damaged in the process.

SICPA is the company that currently makes the marking of fuels in the country, after having been selected in 2017 by the

Mozambican government and intends to renew the contract, citing a clause in the first contract it signed with the government.

The DDC stated that the firm has challenged the operation because it believes that Mireme has distributed different documents to the bidders, prejudicing the applications of some companies. That civil society organisation said that the new tender was launched

because of a lobby undertaken by figures close to the elite in power.

SICPA contested the competition before the Administrative Court of the City of Maputo, having obtained from this instance the decision to suspend the process until final judicial deliberation. Mireme's source told Lusa that the institution will not rule on the case, since the matter is in

court. Also heard by Lusa, SICPA declined to talk about the issue, stating that it is being dealt with in court.

In the announcement of the launch of the contest in June, Mireme said that the mark is made by placing a chemical product in imported fuel for domestic consumption and the absence of this mark is considered evidence that the product entered the country

through smuggling.

Fuel in transit to southern African countries that depend on Mozambican ports for their imports is not subject to marking, the note said. The winning firm or consortium will operate from the ports of Maputo, in the southern region, Beira and Quelimane, central and Nacala and Pemba, in the north, said the statement from Mireme.

The company will be

responsible for conducting quality tests to stop fuel adulteration. Mireme stated that it intends to ensure fair competition between the different operators in the liquid fuel import and marketing chain in Mozambique and to guarantee efficiency and effectiveness in tax control and the collection of taxes and fees at reception terminals and retail outlets.

OPTIMISM

# Turkey's Black Sea gas find may transform its energy landscape

ANKARA

Turkey's discovery of 320 billion cubic metres of natural gas in the Black Sea on Friday "would be transformational" for a country that has traditionally relied on costly imports to meet its energy needs, according to analysts.

"Even if the official ... figure given by President Recep Tayyip Erdogan is treated as an estimate of gas in place, this is Turkey's biggest find - by a wide margin - and one of the largest global discoveries of 2020," said Thomas Purdie, an analyst with Wood Mackenzie's upstream research team.

Turkey's energy import bill stood at \$41 billion last year. Mr Erdogan said the country intends to begin extracting gas from the field in 2023 as it pushes to become

a net energy exporter. "The depreciation of the Turkish lira [had] made things challenging for the Turkish economy. Now, Turkey can bolster its currency reserves because it may not need to spend that mammoth amount on gas," Naem Aslam, chief market analyst at AvaTrade, said.

Mr Purdie said that the find also reaffirmed the Black Sea's hydrocarbon potential after several disappointing wells in Bulgaria. Turkey's exploration comes after large-scale discoveries in the Eastern Mediterranean became game-changers for Egypt and Cyprus.

A 2010 US geological survey estimated that the Levant Basin in the Eastern Mediterranean could hold as much 122 trillion cubic feet of gas, which is equal to the total reserves of Iraq, the Middle East's second-largest

crude producer.

Turkey has relied on piped gas from Russia, Azerbaijan and Iran in the past and its share of liquefied natural gas imports has continued to grow. "This discovery could have far-reaching implications for future gas imports and coming negotiations with suppliers - Gazprom, Azerbaijan and Iran," said Murray Douglas, research director of the European gas and LNG team at Wood Mackenzie.

Mr Aslam termed the find "a game-changer." "Turkey will no longer need to depend on US [LNG] supplies going forward," he said. Turkey will hope to replicate the success of Egypt, whose economy rebounded on the back of gas discoveries in the eastern Mediterranean that began with the Zohr gasfield and turned the North African country from



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an importer of gas to a net exporter.

Turkish drilling ship Fatih carried out exploration activities in the Tuna-1 sector in the western Black Sea over the past month. However, experts said the Black Sea find would need billions of dollars in investment to build production and supply infrastructure.

Mr Purdie said that it could take up to a decade for gas from the Black Sea find to be put to commercial use, with a 2023 date for extraction looking ambitious. "It is early days, but any future development would cost billions of dollars. Deepwater projects are complex in any environment, but the Black Sea poses additional logistical challenges that must be managed," he said.

"This is one of the factors that has stalled Romania's Neptun Deep megaproject, located just 100 kilometres north of the Tuna well." Experts said Turkey's gas discovery will also need to be appraised by the drilling of more wells in order to confirm the estimate on the size

of the reserves.

Turkish Energy Minister Fatih Donmez said on Friday that the operation of the recently discovered field would be handled by state-owned energy company TPAO. "In the upcoming period, we will do the seismic research and drilling by ourselves ... the operation will be completely handled by Turkiye Petrolleri," Mr Donmez said. However, experts said bringing in an international partner would benefit TPAO.

"There could be attractions despite the market outlook - highly competitive tax terms in a basin that international oil companies know increasingly well over recent years. Majors operating across the border in Romania and Bulgaria have had mixed recent success, but will take note of this momentous news," Mr Purdie said. Mr Donmez said Tur-

key could float an international tender to build a pipeline to transport the natural gas to shore.

"What worries me [are] the challenges around building a pipeline and exporting this oil, given Turkey's tense relationship with Middle East countries," said Ipek Ozkardeskaaya, a senior analyst at Swissquote Bank.

"But overall, finding black oil will certainly have a positive impact on the lira and Turkey's energy stocks. If it could just temper the actual sell-off due to questionable and blurry central bank policy, that is already a win. Turkey has been embroiled in territorial disputes with Greece and Cyprus in the eastern Mediterranean as it searches for oil and gas in contested waters. The EU has already expressed its opposition to its exploratory activities.

PESSIMISM

# A quarter of US layoffs to soften pandemic impact will become permanent, Goldman Sachs projects

NEW YORK

The rehiring of temporarily laid-off workers will continue to bolster the US labour market's recovery in the months ahead, but Goldman Sachs Group expects almost a quarter of those layoffs to become permanent.

In the early months of the pandemic, employers shed more than 22 million people from their payrolls. The staggering figure had a small silver lining: the majority of those layoffs were billed as temporary. More than 18 million people were classified as temporarily unemployed in April, the most on record.

When state economies began to reopen, the rehiring of many of those workers helped to drive the labour market's rebound in May, June and July. And with more than 9.2 million unemployed still on temporary layoff, "the labour market seems poised for additional large job gains later this year", Joseph Briggs, an economist at Goldman Sachs, wrote in a research note.

In some ways, the staggering number of temporarily laid off workers could be a tailwind for the recovery. These workers tend to face better hiring prospects, and transitions

to permanent unemployment remain relatively low. In fact, Goldman expects rehires to account for most of the 5.6 million net job gains they anticipate later this year.

However, "other patterns suggest that rehiring prospects for temporarily laid-off workers started to deteriorate in July", Mr Briggs wrote. Goldman Sachs now anticipates that almost a quarter of the temporary layoffs will become permanent. Some 2 million of those individuals could remain unemployed well into 2021.

While the transition rate from temporary to permanent layoffs remains historically low, the figure nearly doubled from June to July, and Goldman expects further increases as fiscal support and the Paycheck Protection Programme dries up.

At the same time, survey data from the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago indicates workers are increasingly pessimistic that they will return to their same job. "Overall, these patterns suggest that temporarily laid-off workers will boost the labour market recovery for the remainder of 2020, but will increasingly transition to permanent unemployment as time separated from their prior job increases," Mr Briggs wrote.

# Moroccan diplomat appointed member of UN mission to Libya

RABAT

Former Moroccan minister and diplomat Mohamed Aujjar has been appointed by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet as member of the independent fact finding mission on Libya.

Bachelet said that the deteriorating security situation in Libya and the absence of a functioning judicial system underscored the importance of the work of a team of independent experts to document human rights violations and abuses.

The fact finding mission on Libya was established by the Human Rights Council in June, inter alia, to document alleged violations and abuses of international human rights law and international humanitarian law by all parties in Libya since the start of 2016.



Former Moroccan minister and diplomat Mohamed Aujjar.

serve as an essential mechanism to effectively address the widespread impunity for human rights violations and abuses committed, and can also serve as a deterrent to prevent further violations and contribute to peace and stability in the country," said Bachelet.

Summary executions and other unlawful killings, torture and ill-treatment, gender-based violence, including conflict-related sexual violence, abductions, enforced disappearances, as well as incitement to violence on social media, continue to be committed in a climate of complete impunity, Bachelet added.



## ISIDINGO MONDAY - FRIDAY STARTING 7:30 PM

Table with TV schedule for ISIDINGO, including days of the week (Sunday to Saturday) and various program titles and times. The table is organized into columns for each day and lists programs such as 'Uwanja wa Mazoezi', 'HABARI', 'Kumekucha', 'Watoto Wetu', 'Isidingo', etc., along with their respective broadcast times.









Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation, Damas Ndumbaro, takes part at a monthly golf tournament, which took place at the Lugalo Club's course in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Telecomms firm, Zantel, organized the tournament. PHOTO: COURTESY OF ZANTEL

## How will Simba SC line up this season?

BY CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL MWEBE

THE transfer window is open for Vodacom Premier League clubs up to August 31 but Simba are already done with strengthening their squad for the upcoming season.

Head coach Sven Vandebroek's club opened their transfer business through the controversial signing of Bernard Morrison from age old rivals Yanga and later added Kenyan international defender Joash Onyango, Chris Mugalu, Ibrahim Ame, and Larry Bwalya- who had previously been linked with Yanga.

Charles Ilanfy, a striker from Kinondoni Municipal Council (KMC) FC, and David Kameta from relegated Lipuli FC are the other players who have already signed for the outfit, alias 'Wekundu wa Msimbazi'.

Those acquisitions give Vandebroek a headache, but a good one.

Simba already boasted of greater squad depth than rivals Yanga and Azam FC.

However, the club hierarchy, understandably frustrated by last season's preliminary CAF Champions League exit, has wasted no time rectifying apparent weaknesses.

With that in mind, we look at how Simba will line up in the upcoming season given the wealth of talent available to Vandebroek.

Aishi Manula has been excellent in between the sticks, picking up his third consecutive season's Premier League best goalkeeper award, but it is the back four in front of him which has been an area of weakness.

Paschal Wawa is one of the best defenders to ever play in the Tanzania Premier League but his pace is gone.

Erasto Nyoni missed a major chunk of the season through a combination of injury and form. Shomari Kapombe's injury record is well known.

In the closing part of the campaign, Vandebroek opted to play Kennedy Juma alongside Wawa but it was clear that the defense is an area they needed to strengthen.

Two centre backs have been added, Onyango from Gor Mahia and Ame from Coastal Union.

It seems implausible they would bring an experienced foreign defender to warm the bench which means former Azam FC defender Nyoni, Ame and Juma are likely to find themselves in a backup role to Wawa and Onyango.

Yusuph Mlipili is surplus to requirements and has been subsequently released.

Kapombe and Mohamed Hussein are

expected to keep their place as the default right and left fullbacks.

The difference between Kapombe and other Tanzanian fullbacks is huge, Haruna Shamte offered no competition and has since been offloaded and replaced by youngster Kameta.

Hussein seems to have the upper edge over Gadiel Michael who has to fight for more game time given the fact that he is entering the last year of his contract.

In midfield, Vandebroek will likely continue to play Jonas Mkude deep.

Mkude can be joined by the impressive Gerson Fraga to mimic the Mkude-James Kotel partnership that proved so impressive under the then head coach Patrick Aussems.

Gerson, former Brazil U-17 international captain, can break up play and protect the defense which allows attack-minded players to push forward.

Further upfield, the addition of Morrison and Bwalya means Simba are overstocked for attacking midfielders and that could force Vandebroek into a change of system.

The talents at his disposal are, Francis Kahata, Morrison, Luis Miquissone, Clatous Chama, Hassan Dilunga, Said Ndemla and Bwalya.

The conundrum for Vandebroek is that he cannot compete on three fronts without good attacking midfielders. But he will not be able to guarantee all of them first-choice status.

Irrespective of the controversies, the fact remains that Morrison is one of the deadliest midfielders in the league on his day, and is an assured starter alongside Miquissone on the flanks.

Clatous Chama who often plays with so much arrogance and confidence is a guaranteed starter if he stays fit, leaving Kahata, Bwalya, Dilunga and Dilunga competing to play alongside him.

In attack, Congolese striker Mugalu joins a wealth of attacking options and will compete with John Bocco and Meddie Kagere for a starting spot.

How Simba could line up next season will make their local rivals sweat with fear but fallouts with the coach are inevitable.

Whichever formation a sports enthusiast looks at, good players are going to struggle for consistent playing time.

Vandebroek is going to have to manage unhappy players struggling for game time. A lot more diplomacy is needed than what was reported last season.

AP



Simba SC winger, Bernard Morrison (R), dribbles past Burundi's Vital'O defender, Jumapili Iddy, at an international friendly clash involving the two clubs, which took place at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam on Saturday. Simba SC won 6-0. P. CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

# Nyerere National Park named as historical, cultural heritage

BY CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA, MOROGORO

THE Nyerere National Park, formerly known as Selous Game Reserve, has been mentioned as another tourist attraction in the Southern circuit in Tanzania.

The park, measured 30,893km<sup>2</sup>, is blessed with a river that flows into the area from surrounding highlands and chiselled features like ox-bow lakes, which are habitat to hippopotamus.

The park is also confirmed a rituals' site for Mozambique's ethnic groups, who spent two months on their way to Tanzania.

Researchers and conservation officials have mentioned the park as another tourist attraction and historical site for academic matters for students that are specialized in arts subjects.

Briefing The Guardian during the Eastern Zone peasants' trade fair, held in Morogoro recently, the grounds, the Nyerere National Park warden, Apaikunda Mungure, said the park adds value to tourism activities and encourages more tourists, particularly locals, to visit the area.

With the park having been named after the Father of the Nation, the late Julius Kambarege Nyerere, Mungure noted, the number of people visiting the area definitely stands to improve.

"It's time for us to promote tourist attractions, fortunately the locals are charged reasonable price for visiting all national parks, compared to foreigners who have to book flights to Tanzania and then return to their countries," she disclosed.

She said charges for children's trips to Udzungwa National Park is 33,000/- each while adults pay 35,000/- each.

She disclosed trips to Sadan National Park cost 38,000/- each for



Tanzania National Parks Authority (TANAPA) Eastern Zone warden, Apaikunda Mungure (L), briefs a tourist, Manase Abel, on tourist attractions available at Nyerere National Park at the peasants' trade fair grounds in Morogoro recently. PHOTO: MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA

children, whereas adults pay 40,000/- each for touring the area.

"Amount fixed for go and return costs aims at ensuring that natives enjoy the natural resources during the peasants' trade fair, but, children will also be charged 2360/- each for the park's gate pass, whereas adults pay 5900/- each for gate pass," she disclosed.

Udzungwa National Park's Conservation Officer, Richard Hayri, related the importance of Nyerere National Park's vegetation to the one at Udzungwa.

He disclosed that Udzungwa

National Park's vegetation has been mentioned as one of the world's biodiversity hot spots.

"It is time for the locals to change their mindset towards tourism, it's not only part of refreshment but it should motivate people to use the attractions as an employment," he said.

He cited the hydroelectric power plant constructed in the country is part of efforts to conserve water sources from Udzungwa National Park.

He noted the facility has created employment for people around the areas.

Manase Abel, a Dar es Salaam resident, urged the national parks' managements to keep on promoting the Nyerere National Park.

He stated he, for instance, had earlier not been informed that the park had previously been known as Selous Game Reserve.

Ulanga District Commissioner, Ngolo Malenya, said her district is poltural nowadays, thanks to the presence of the Nyerere National Park.

She stated since the locals, particularly from the Lake Zone, are currently heading to the area for domestic tourism.



Simba SC's investor, Mohammed Dewji. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

## Dewji targets to put more investments at Simba SC

BY CORRESPONDENT JOSEPH MCHEK-ADONA

SIMBA SC investor Mohammed Dewji has said he and the rest of the outfit's leaders are committed to improving the club and see to it that it turns professional by making big investments in human resource, infrastructure and technology.

Dewji, who is better known as 'MO', issued the comments at a press conference he organized in last weekend to brief the latter on the development of the club.

He said Simba's target for this season is booking a place in the group stage of CAF Champions League, building club's hostels, employing professionals in all departments and using

technology like purchasing of GPS football tracking device.

"I'm happy that we are going on very well, our aim is to become full professional, we have our training ground (MO Simba Arena at Bunju), we now want to build club hostels which I believe will help the club serve revenue," he stated.

"We are currently using rented houses, we will also purchase GPS which will be of great importance to the team," he said.

If Simba manages to buy GPS player tracking device, it will be the first outfit in East Africa to use the gadget.

Sonda Sports publication said the gadget's benefits can be achieved in short term. The

official described it as the best in enhancing football players development.

"You play at the rhythm you train at, if you train badly, you play badly, if you work like a beast in training, you play the same way," the publication quotes Manchester City FC Manager, Pep Guardiola, as saying.

The device moreover helps in preventing injuries among players, analysing volume and intensity, identifying talents and motivating players, overseeing proper performance data analysis.

"By using GPS you can assess the overall workload to which a given player was subjected and it is also possible to quickly evaluate

players on the basis of their physical and mental parameters," the publication stated.

"As measuring data alone will not help the team, the key aspect is properly conducted data analysis, drawing the right conclusions and consistent work on improving the quality training."

Dewji, who recently disclosed that commercialization of the club has reached almost 96 percent, also noted that they want to see the team recruit players from its academy.

The approach, he disclosed, will help to serve revenue for the team, maintain Simba SC's playing philosophy and maintain the outfit's culture.



# Simba SC coach focuses on Premier League

## SPORT

Why street football is still the best academy in the game

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Simba SC forward, John Bocca (R), negotiates his way past Burundi's Vital'O FC defender, Gyslain Nahimana, at an international friendly clash involving the two clubs, which took place at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam on Saturday. Simba SC won 6-0. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

winning local trophies and their main target this season is to at least reach the CAF Champions League group stage.

Simba have already strengthened their squad with six arrivals as they target to qualify for the CAF Champions League group stage after last season's failure.

The outfit was eliminated in the premier continental club tournament's preliminary round by less fancied Mozambican side, UD Songo, on away goals rule.

Vandenbroeck's squad has been beefed by the controversial signing of Bernard Morrison from arch rivals, Yanga, Kenyan international defender Joash Onyango, Chris Mugalu, Ibrahim Ame, and Larry Bwalya - who had previously been linked with Yanga.

Charles Ilanfy, a striker from Kinondoni Municipal Council (KMC) FC, and David Kameta from relegated Lipuli FC are the other players who have signed for the outfit, popularly known as 'Wekundu wa Msimbazi'.

After Saturday's 6-0 victory over Burundi's Vital'O in the friendly, Simba SC will play Namungo FC in the Tanzania Community Shield clash, a season opener, in Arusha on August 30.

The Tanzania Community Shield is contested by the winners of the Vodacom Premier League and Federation Cup.

With Simba having won both, they therefore take on Namungo FC, who ended as runners-up in the Federation Cup, and will therefore represent Tanzania in the CAF Confederation Cup.



Njombe's Madope Athletics Club's runner, Violet Kidasi, takes part in training at the Sabasaba venue in the region recently to prepare for domestic and international races. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

DESPITE lifting a third consecutive Mainland Premier League trophy, Simba SC head coach, Sven Vandenbroeck, has made his intentions clear that domestic glory remains his main objective ahead of the upcoming campaign.

Vandenbroeck issued the statement in an interview, held before his club took on Burundi's Vital'O in an international friendly clash played in Dar es Salaam on Saturday.

The Belgian coach did not entertain the growing

talk of CAF Champions League group stage ambitions by insisting Simba's main priority is winning the Vodacom Premier League.

"I think the first target is the league, because the league gives you access to the Champions League," he noted.

"Last year we took that, so this year that is your first target. The Champions League is a bonus for us. If we can get into the group

stage that is already a good thing for Tanzanian football and Simba," he insisted.

"And once you are in anything can happen. Once you are in, it depends on the lucky on who you draw in the group stage. Maybe with this number of fans at home you can do great things and then you need some points outside Dar es Salaam."

He added: "The Champions League is a big target but your

first is the league and if we can take a bonus in the Champions League then that is a bonus for us."

On Friday, Simba SC's Board of Directors' Chairman, Mohammed Dewji, revealed his ambitions with the club ahead of the new campaign, stating he wants the team to target success in CAF Champions League.

Without mincing words, Dewji boldly stated they are used to

## AT worried by low turn out for National Championships

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

ATHLETICS Tan (AT) has said it is concerned with the low number of regions registering for the coming National Championships slated for next month at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam.

Closing date for registration was set at Sunday at 12pm, but by noon, the time we went to press, AT information officer, Tullo Chambo, disclosed that Dodoma, Kilimanjaro, Mbeya, Geita, Njombe, Manyara, Iringa, Shinyanga, Mara, and all Zanzibar regions have so far registered for the championships, which is to take place from September 12-13.

He said regions of Tanga and Morogoro promised to register yesterday before close of business while Tabora, Mwanza, Simiyu and Singida communicated to them that they are failing to release their teams as they have not held regional championships.

Chambo though stopped short of saying what AT will do to regions which have failed to register before the deadline.

He noted that the championships' organizing committee will hold a meeting in the city tomorrow to come up with a resolution.

"It is very surprising that although registration is free of charge, many regions have not registered for the coming National Championships," he disclosed.

"The closing date is today (yesterday) but very few have registered, the organizing committee will meet Tuesday this week and I'm sure the committee will come up with a stand," he said.

The National Championships is organized jointly by the National Sports Council (NSC), Tanzania Olympic Committee (TOC) and AT.

Initially, the deadline was last Saturday but it was pushed forward to yesterday due to the less number of regions which have registered.

Bayi, TOC secretary general, had in a previous interview said he is not aware of what is either hindering or delaying all regions to register for the championships.

"It is true, the deadline for registration was August 15, unfortunately many regions have not registered, tomorrow (yesterday) the organizing committee will meet where one of the agenda will be on the registration," he disclosed.

"For now I don't know what will happen, the aim of TOC and AT is not to punish regions but educating them on their responsibilities," he said.

Chambo also advised regions, which want to have many athletes at the championships against their given quota, to pay for the added athletes.

"Each region was given a quota of its athletes, but if the regions want to add more athletes on the quota they must pay for the added athletes," he disclosed.

"Participation cost for each of the added athlete amount to 100,000/-, the regions must deposit the money before the championships," he said.

The National Championships was last held in Kibaha, Coast Region, in 2016.

## Ihefu FC steps up preps for Premier League

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

MAINLAND Premier League new entrants, Mbeya's Ihefu FC, have said they have lined up three friendly matches to prepare for the league's kick off, set for early next month.

The club's head coach Maka Malwisi, said he has proposed to the squad's management to arrange the three friendly matches with Premier League teams.

He said if the plan will materialize the three games will give him a good picture of his side's readiness for Premier League games.

Malwisi mentioned the teams he had proposed to play with Ihefu FC as Mtibwa Sugar, JKT Tanzania and KMC FC.

Ihefu FC will start the Premier League 2020/21 assignments against defending champions Simba SC at Sokoine Stadium in Mbeya on September 6.

He lamented that he did not have enough time to prepare his charges, but he is of the view that the three friendly games will help him and his technical staff try new combinations as the team has 10 new players.

The head coach said after earning promotion to the Premier League, he allowed his players to rest for 10 days, a situation he said is likely going to affect his charges' preparations.

"We don't have enough time to prepare for the Premier



Ihefu FC

League, I wanted more friendly games, but it will not be possible, in the meantime, I have written the management of my club proposing that we play three friendly games against Mtibwa Sugar, JKT Tanzania and KMC FC," Malwisi noted.

"In case we fail to get one of them we can play our fellow Premier League new entrants, Dodoma FC."

"I'm sure the three games will be of great importance to my

team as the matches will help me assess the strengths and weaknesses of my players."

"I will also be able to see how ready they are before the league kick off," he said.

Malwisi is reported to have said that his side will be ready to face Simba SC in the league opener.

He said meeting Simba SC in the first game has hardly surprised him.

"There is nothing strange, meeting the defending champions

in the opening game is good, by featuring in Premier League we were aware that we will meet Simba SC, Yanga, Azam FC and other teams," he noted.

"We are prepared to meet any team in either the league or cup tournaments, what is needed is good preparations and I can tell you that by the time we will host Simba, my boys will be ready for the challenge," he said.

The Mbarali District-based side has signed 10 new players and the

coach said he expects the new players to have a big impact in the squad.

"After going through the team's needs in the league, we thought it wise to boost the squad with 10 new faces, the new players were recruited after meeting our team's needs," he disclosed.

"The combination of the new players and old ones will help the team realize its dream in the league," he said.

## Flexibles by David Chikoko

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