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China's animal trade to bring more viral outbreaks - experts

SHANGHAI

THE animal-borne Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) virus 17 years ago was supposed to be a wake-up call about consuming wildlife as food, but scientists say China's latest epidemic indicates that the practice remains widespread and a growing risk to human health.

Like SARS, which was traced to bats and civets, the virus that has killed dozens in China and infected almost 2,000 people is believed to have originated in animals trafficked for food.

Final findings are yet to be announced, but Chinese health officials believe it came from wildlife sold liberally at a meat market in the central city of Wuhan that offered everything from rats to wolf puppies and giant salamanders.

The so-called bushmeat trade, plus broader human encroachment on wild habitats, is bringing us into ever-closer



The new normal is that pandemics are going to happen more frequently

contact with animal viruses that can spread rapidly in our uber-connected world, said Peter Daszak, president of EcoHealth Alliance, a global NGO focused on infectious disease prevention.

The Global Virome Project, a worldwide effort to increase preparedness for pandemics, which Daszak is a part of, estimates there are 1.7 million undiscovered viruses in wildlife, nearly half of which could be harmful to humans.

Daszak said the project's research indicates that we can expect around five new animal-borne pathogens to infect humanity each year.

"The new normal is that pandemics are going to happen more frequently," he said.

"We are making contact with animals that carry these viruses more, and more, and more." Viruses are a natural part of the environment, and not all are the stuff of sci-fi horror.

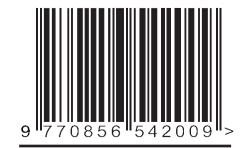
But the recent track record of animalhosted viruses that "jump" to humans is

Like SARS, which killed hundreds in China and Hong Kong in 2002-03, Ebola also was traced to bats, while HIV has roots in African primates.

Today, more than 60 percent of new emerging human infectious diseases reach us via animals, scientists say.

Even familiar menu items like poultry and cattle -- whose pathogens we have largely adapted to over millennia --

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MPs: Abattoir scam bigwigs stole 15bn/-



From-L: Parliamentary Constitutional and Legal Affairs Committee vice chairperson Najma Giga, Constitutional and Legal Affairs Dr Augustine Mahiga (2nd-L) and Constitutional and Legal Affairs ministry deputy permanent secretary Amon Mpanju look as a healthcare worker at Frelimo District Hospital in Iringa municipality registers an under-five child pending the issuance of a birth certificate. This was during a just-ended visit by members of the committee to Iringa Region. Photo: Correspondent Friday

CUF leader Prof Lipumba held over indoor meetings

By Guardian Correspondent, Tanga

AUTHORITIES in Handeni District in Tanga Region are holding the national chairman of the opposition Civic United Front (CUF) Prof Ibrahim Lipumba for convening indoor political meetings in the district.

Prof Lipumba was arrested by police yesterday at Mbogoni Village in Mgwe Ward while holding an indoor meeting with party members in a house belonging to one of the members.

Handeni District Commissioner Godwin

Prof Lipumba is not an elected leader in the area therefore he has no reason to conduct political activities in the area

Gondwe confirmed the arrest of the politician, saying that Prof Lipumba was whisked away by officers for holding indoor political meetings, activities which he said are outlawed until later this year during general election campaigns.

Furthermore, Prof Lipumba is not an elected leader in the area therefore he has no reason to conduct political activities in the area, the DC

"We wanted to remind him that political meetings are not allowed unless one is a ward

Kibong'oto Hospital builds modern viral infections lab

By Guardian Correspondent, Siha

KIBON'GOTO Infectious Diseases Hospital in Siha District, Kilimanjaro Region is constructing a modern laboratory for infectious diseases that will be making in depth examination of viral

infections including Ebola. The completion of the laboratory construction



will simplify diagnosis service delivery for the northern zone, now sending samples to the Muhimbili National Hospital (MNH).

Acting Hospital Director Dr Donatus Tsere said this yesterday when speaking to reporters during a visit by communication officers of institutions under the Ministry of Health, Community

In November 2008 the government privatized and handed the facility to NICOL, a firm registered on the Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange (DSE) and NARCO. The two firms decided to operate the abattoir as TMCL

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

THE Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Water has recommended the arrest and prosecution of top officials in the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, executives of the National Ranching Co. Ltd (NARCO) and the National Investments Co. Ltd (NICOL) over misappropriation of 15bn/-.

The committee said top ministerial officials conspired with executives of the two companies to swindle the amount during the running of the Dodoma abattoir.

Speaking during a visit to the slaughterhouse at the weekend, committee chairman Mahmoud Mgimwa said that top officials in the ministry and the executives of the two companies occasioned the loss between 2008 and 2015 but remain undisturbed.

"It's baffling that no action has been taken since 2008 when this massive theft of public money came to light. I call upon the Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau to arrest and prosecute all those who were involved," he appealed.



The government has ordered NICOL to settle all debts of the Tanzania Meat Co. Ltd (TMCL) totaling 5.2bn/-

Anthony Komu (Moshi Rural-CHADEMA) advised that the government put in place a functioning and continuous system of identifying and taking action on misappropriation of public funds.

After five years of poor meat production at the facility, in December 2017 the Minister for Livestock and Fisheries, Luhaga Mpina, formed a five-member team to make a thorough assessment of the implementation of a contract between the government and the Tanzania Meat Co. Ltd (TMC) to run the

The minister even directed that the Kongwa Ranch in Dodoma Region start slaughtering animals at the Dodoma abattoir, a government facility built between 2002 and 2003, starting to operate the following year.

In December 2018, minister Mpina revoked the purchasing agreement between the government and NICOL after the probe report unveiled the misappropriation of 15bn/- and massive violation of contract, hence returning the facility to the state.

Following the cancellation, NICOL was required to repay 9.7bn deducted from payments the government received when the

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firm purchased the abattoir in 2008.

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livestock production and marketing in the ministry.

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Development, Gender, Elderly and Children in the "We Have improved the Health Sector" campaign.

The campaign seeks to evaluate the government's achievements in the health sector during the past four

He said the construction of the laboratory is expected to be completed next year, expected to be spacious and the first of its kind in the northern zone at grade three, technically known as Biosafety Level III.

"The laboratory building will be three storeyed, having modern equipment with a capacity to make level three viral examination without sending samples to MNH as is of now. It will also have the capacity to examine viruses without intense precautionary measures to prevent contracting the viruses," said

The laboratory will examine all sorts of infectious disease viruses and will have the capacity to identify viruses in stages, including Ebola, which the centre currently has no equipment to identify its virus.

He said construction cost is 8bn/and already the first phase has been treatment, the director added.

completed, with second phase

completion set for July. As for tuberculosis (TB), he said the biggest number of patients have been coming from Mererani Mines in Manyara Region.

He said out of 100,000 residents at the mining zone, around 14,000 are suffering from TB and the main cause is working in an environment of dense

In confronting the challenge, the hospital is providing education to those working in the mines on preventive measures. It has also bought modern equipment to detect TB at initial stages.

Dr Tsere said the centre offers diagnostic services at the mining area and those detected to have contracted TB start an intensive course of treatment to stem contagion.

He said the hospital has also improved treatment services as the number of TB patients treated has increased from 150 in 2015 to 180 at

The government has enabled the fielding of 145 centres to examine TB countrywide, in which case patients are now more aware where to go for



Catholic Church Archbishop Isaac Amani Massawe of Arusha presents uniforms to three newly ordained nuns at a mass held at the weekend. Photo: Correspondent

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councillor or member of Parliament," he stated.

He declared that Prof Lipumba is a national leader of a party hence the district authorities need to be aware of his visit so that it prepares his personal

police cover for security. "So we arrested him to remind him

what he was supposed to do." When contacted, the Tanga Regional Police Commander Edward Bukombe

did not pick his mobile phone.

The CUF local leader, Misima Ward councilor Masoud Mhina said the arrest was in violation of laws and regulations since as opposed to outdoor rallies, indoor meetings do not need police permits or security cover.

He said presently the party was in the process of bailing out its chairman and after that his lawyer will outline the next steps to take.

He said the police force was not upholding professional ethics, noting by powerful politicians tied with the ruling party.

He added: "Dr Bashiru (ruling party CCM Secretary General) came here and held public rallies with police protection and wooed eight of our councilors to defect but the police did not take any action. Yet, when we hold indoor meetings and In all the districts he visited he open party branches they come to arrest us."

He said Tanzania's democracy is underlined.

that the law enforcers are being used passing through hard times. "It's on record that on January 27, 2001 there was massive suppression of our party in Zanzibar and now the same is being repeated here in the Mainland."

> Prof Lipumba was on a seven-day visit to Tanga Region where he was scheduled to tour seven districts. was confronted with police heavyhandedness, the ward councillor



seminar organised by the board.

Dr Shein commends Isles defence, security organs

By Guardian Reporter

ZANZIBAR President Dr Mohamed Shein (pictured) on Sunday attended a special luncheon organised by his office to commend members of the Isles Defence and Security organs and thank them for their Revolution Day parade to mark 56th celebrations of the Zanzibar Revolution at Amaan Stadium on January 12.

The luncheon held at Ziwani Police grounds was also attended by various government leaders including the Second Vice President amb. Seif Ali Iddi, Speaker of the House of Representatives Zubeir Ali Maulid and Zanzibar Chief Justice Omar Othman Makungu.

Others were the secretary of the Revolutionary Council and Chief Minister Dr Abdulhamid Yahva Mzee. Zanzibar Attorney General Said Hassan Said, ministers, deputy ministers and other government officials.

In his thanks to the defense and security members read on his behalf by the Minister of State in the President's Office Issa Haji Ussi Gavu he hailed the members for their participation in the celebrations.

He also congratulated President Shein and his strong leadership that has made the country to remain at peace, harmony and solidarity that has spurred development gains for the

He said it was among his hopes that the Revolution Day Celebrations will be improved and thanked the security



and defense units for playing their part in the maintenance of peace, harmony and solidarity.

The head of Zanzibar Nyuki Brigade, Brig. General Fadhil Omar Nondo who is also chairman of Defence and Security Committee thanked Dr Shein for his continued support of the defence and security organs in the Isles.

He congratulated President Shein for continued tradition of organising luncheons for members of the defence and security organs every year after the revolution celebrations. Brig General Nondo also outlined

how preparations for this year's Revolutionary Day parade was organized and became a success and thanked President Shein and the government by enabling it.

Tomorrow president Shein will organize another luncheon for youths and students who participated in the celebrations of the Revolution Day celebrations at the same venue.

The luncheon was also treated to melodies from 'Island Super Star' taarab group from Mafunzo Unit that sang inspiring songs in remembrance of the Zanzibar Revolution.

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occasionally throw a curveball, like bird flu or mad-cow disease.

"For the sake of these wild species' future, and for human health, we need to reduce consumption of these wild animals," said Diana Bell, a wildlife disease and conservation biologist at University of East Anglia who has studied SARS, Ebola and other

pathogens. "But, 17 years on (from SARS), apparently that hasn't happened." Wild-meat consumption itself is not die once their host is killed.

But pathogens can jump to humans during the capture, transportation or slaughter of animals, especially if sanitation is poor or protective equipment is not used.

On Thursday last week, the southern province of Guangdong, a centre of rare-species consumption, said it was immediately halting trade in wild

Similar promises were made following SARS, yet conservationists say

necessarily dangerous -- most viruses the trade continues, aided by loopholeriddled Chinese laws regarding many species, and episodic or just plain lax

enforcement. Chinese authorities have addressed the problem partly by encouraging a farmed-animal industry.

This has included for endangered species like tigers, whose parts are prized in China and other Asian countries as aphrodisiacs or for other

But that comes with its own downside, by providing a channel for

more sought-after wild-caught beasts serving guests or business partners to be laundered as "farmed," Bell said.

She adds that wildlife traders also have become more savvy, avoiding market scrutiny by selling directly to

Environmental groups say Chinese demand, fuelled by rising consumer buying power, is the biggest driver of the global bushmeat trade today.

Some rare species have been prized in China as delicacies or for unproved

health benefits since ancient times. Traditionally, a host gains "face" by expensive, hard-to-acquire wildfare.

Zhanqiu, a pathogen biologist at Wuhan University, said modern demand also is bolstered by widespread distrust of a Chinese food industry tarnished by years of repeated safety scandals.

"People will think: wild is natural, natural is safe," Yang said.

"Everyone wants to eat better, so there is a market for wild animals." Daszak said it's very difficult to stop an activity with 5,000 years of cultural

But recent surveys strongly indicate that China's younger generation, swayed partly by animal-rights campaigns involving popular Chinese celebrities,- are much less inclined to tuck into bat, rat or salamander, he asserted.

"I think that in 50 years this will be a thing of the past," Daszak noted.

"The problem is that we live in such an interconnected world today that any pandemic like this can spread globally in three weeks," he added.





Dodoma district commissioner Patrobas Katambi has a word with Msalato Secondary School students in Dodoma at the weekend shortly after receiving and also handing over to them sanitary pads made available through the ongoing 'Namthamini' (literally, I value her) campaign coordinated by East Africa Television and East Africa Radio for four years running now. Photo: E

Tanzania and India vow to enhance bilateral relations

By Guardian Reporter

TANZANIA and India have promised to strengthen the existing diplomatic relations between them and work together to ensure the attainment of sustainable development for the two countries.

Speaking at the event to mark 71 years of India's independence at the weekend, deputy minister for Foreign Affairs and EA Cooperation Dr Damas Ndumbaro said Tanzania and India were brotherly nations and will see to it that the ties remain cemented.

"Tanzania and India had long time excellent ties that began during the period of the Father of the Nation, Mwalimu Julius Nyerere and India's Jawaharlal Nehru, the ties that have strengthened social, economic and political development," said Dr Ndumbaro.

Currently the economies of both countries have been growing spurring the strengthening of diplomatic ties between the two. India has been a good development partner for Tanzania in various sectors including tourism, water, health, technology and education.

India's assistance in the water sector

has enabled the distribution safe and clean water in the city of Dar es Salaam as well as expansion of water treatment plant in Zanzibar.

In the education sector, Tanzania and India have signed the agreement to cooperate in building a technical centre and provide assistance for developing universities in Zanzibar that target in the provision of skills targeting women with low education.

For his part the Indian High Commissioner in Tanzania Amb. Shri Sanjiv Kohli thanked Tanzania government for the solidarity it has been extending to India saying the unity has been a stimulus for the development of the two nations.

"We must remember that union is strength and our goal is to live in peace, harmony and solidarity for the economic growth of our two nations," said Amb. Kohli.

He added: "India prides itself for being in good relationship with Tanzania, the relationship that has enabled to stimulate trade, investment, capacity building. Infrastructure and economic development in general," he added.

By Correspondent Marc Nkwame, Arusha

THE Catholic Church has invested 250m/- to establish a special water project to serve the residents of Moshono area in the outskirts of Arusha City.

Through the Eucharist Mission and New Evangelisation, Archdiocese of Arusha is also constructing a new technical training institute to provide vocational self-help studied to the youth in Arusha.

"The institute will be able to provide technical studied to over 200 young people of Arusha that are to be trained in carpentry, masonry, computer studies, hospitality and needlework," said the Mission Founder, Sister Gisela Upendo.

Catholic church invests 250 million/in Moshono community water project

The move came to light during a special ceremony in which the church had sanctified three new nuns into holy service, alongside launching new development projects to serve the local communities in Arusha.

The consecrated nuns include Sister Monicah Mdoe from Tanga Archdiocese; at these 'dangerous' times when Sister Dafroza Shayo from Kilimanjaro and Maria Marcus from the Iringa. The special anointing mass to that effect was

Moshono, south-east of Arusha City.

The Archbishop for the Arusha Archdiocese, Dr Isaac Amani led the mass and used the last weekend event to remind all brethren to ensure that children are well taken care of especially there are many threats against family development.

"Even here now, as we anoint these starting community serving projects

held at Saint Jacob Catholic Church in ladies into church service, we are including the new Vocational Training experiencing the fruits of stable families that have brought up these nuns to serve both God and entire mankind," stated Archbishop Amani, warning parents to let nuns stick to their services and not burden them with other family tasks.

> The Catholic elder lauded the 'Eucharist Mission and Evangelization,' which produced the new nuns, for

Technical School in Moshono Ward as well as water projects to serve the local residents in the area.

One of the consecrated nuns, Sister Monica Mdoe, thanked the church and community as whole for assisting them to reach that stage. She warned local youth against misuse of digital forms of communication as well as drugs abuse.



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ITB No: 002/RtR-TZ/SI/2020

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Wildlife officials catch lions attacking livestock

By Guardian Correspondent, Serengeti

EFFORTS to catch lions who were attacking livestock in villages around Serengeti National Park still continues while 11 out of the 16 beasts from one family had already been caught and placed inside special fence.

Speaking at the village of Park Naigoti at the weekend to the Serengeti District Defense and Security Committee Edwin Njimbi - a wildlife officer from Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA) said five lions were still at large despite their having been tagged by a special gadget (caller) that shows their whereabouts.

"We will catch the five lions, we were unable to catch their female member after her cubs ran away and hid, while the male member also ran away, and added that the big challenge has been contributed by the inadequacy of the cages as well as the unfriendly environment in catching them," he said.

Njimbi said there has been a big increase of incidents for the beasts invading human settlements and attacking their livestock since November last year, the situation that has compelled to relocate them.

He said there are two family lions that have been invading livestock grazing

areas with each family comprising of not less than ten lions, adding that so far they have reined in 11 lions from one family, whilst the other is still causing havoc to the villagers.

An Ecologist from Burigi-Chato National Park Alphonce Msigwa said 16 lions will be relocated to the Park and will remain in a shed for 14 days fed with game meat to make them forget cow and goat's meat before setting them free.

He said an earlier plan was to relocate five lions to the Park but professionally it is not wise to separate lions from one family as you may leave behind a lion who is expert hunter that will make other relocated family member starve.

The Serengeti District Commissioner Nurdin Babu hailed the concerned wildlife authorities for the difficult task that has taken more than two weeks and beseeched them to increase the efforts to rein in the remaining beasts.

Some of the affected villages include, Bokore, Park Naigoti, Nyichoka, Bonchugu, Nyakitono, Natta and Robanda.

The exercise is being conducted by a team of experts from TAWA, Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI), Tanzania National Parks Authority (TANAPA) and wildlife officials from Serengeti District Headquarters.



Filbert Mponzi, NMB Bank Plc's chief of retail banking, addresses a Contractors Registration Board conference in Arusha on Friday on the bank's capacity to support contractors in the country financially. Photo: Guard

'Business as usual attitude will not help countries achieve SDGs'

By Aisia Rweyemamu

THE World Food Programme (WFP) country representative Michael Dunford, has alerted that the as business as usual attitude will not help the countries to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), urged them to be innovative with forward thinking without afraid to try new things.

Dunford added: "In time of growing development and humanitarian needs, innovative approaches and new

(UN) as opportunity to unlock with the potential to create extra ordinary, life changing impact for millions of people.'

The WFP representative was speaking during the 'first UN Innovation Night in Tanzania', organized by UN in Tanzania, WFP innovation hub, and the United Nation Innovation Network (UNIN).

world body's innovative work in the and experimentation are critical to

approaches to advance progress toward the SDGs.

"Commitment to collaboration is critical to leverage new technologies and innovative thinking and to keep the UN at the fore of some of the biggest challenges facing the world today", Dunford who is also a Acting UN residents Coordinator, has explained.

He said that new ways of thinking The event aims to showcasing the and culture that enables innovation

technologies offer the United Nation country and its commitment to use bringing new approaches to the work.

The UN innovation night brought together UN and other key actors in the Tanzania innovation ecosystem to exchange ideas, learn from each other and establish new connection.

The night also marked the end of eight week Tanzania innovation safari, which was designed to build innovation capacities through hands on training and partnership development.

During the Innovation night a number of UN agencies had presented

their innovative pitches that bring a solutions to certain problems within the in a community.

Alice Mark from WFP was among the pitchers who presented innovative necessary health information such as ideas of how they can use a mobile smart phone and projector to reach millions of people across Tanzania.

Through the established APP, they will send various information and training materials through simple tools the factor that will help villagers to address some of their social challenges.

Mark explained that, through a smart mobile and projector, they will also reach a pregnant women in various areas, pregnant will be provided with nutrition and vaccine as well as taking care of their babies.

"In implementing this will work with local government authorities in the villages who will assist the team in identifying a person who has smart phone at the area and then will equip him with projector", Mark explained.

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Agro firm to support govt's endeavours for timely fertiliser delivery to farmers

By Guardian Reporter

Ltd has pledged to support the weekend, the managing government's efforts through timely delivery of YARA fertilizers as per indicative his company would continue price in a bid to play part with the supply of fertilizers in the attainment of middle income and industrial base economy by 2025.

Speaking to a delegation

director of Petrobena, Peter Kumalilwa reaffirmed that and other farm inputs to improve crop production in the country.

from YARA Africa which various matters related to paid a courtesy call at his timely supply of fertilizers PETROBENA East Africa office in Dar es Salaam over and at government's indicative prices, by so doing we are committed to improve framers' livelihoods," he said during a media briefing. Kumalilwa said his firm

> would heartedly support the fifth phase government led by President John Magufuli "We have deliberated on in achieving its objective of

agricultural sector which affects the livelihoods of over 70 per cent of the population, our pleasure is to see people lives improving," he said. Kumalilwa noted further

that talks with Yara Africa officials also focused on the possibility of the company putting up a plant in Tanzania.

"We all know that the fifth phase government has committed itself in building industrial and a middle income nation by 2025, in line with that, our talks with officials from YARA Africa focused on advising them to invest in Tanzania so as to reduce costs of fertilizers supply and eventually reduce purchasing prices," he

said.

Kumalilwa further expressed his appreciation to the way in which farmers have increasingly showed demand for YARA fertilizers and the way in which the use of the same had increased yields and the quality of crops. "We are proud of increase in the number of farmers using YARA fertilizers, this is yet a testimony that the input hada great impact in the output," he said.

Petrobena, a local distributor of Yara fertilizer and farm inputs, has of recent won confidence of tobacco growers after delivered fertilizers before the start of farming season.

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PUMA Energy Tanzania win four awards as employer of the year Award 2019

By Correspondent Zuwena Shame

nvesting heavily in state of the art equipment from storage facilities in energy as well as employee personal development and work training has made Puma energy Tanzania successful in years.

Just last year, Puma Energy Tanzania Limited 2019 won the Overall Winner "best multinational company" covering all sectors at the Tanzania Oil and Gas congress October 2019 and also came as the overall second runner up at the Association of Tanzanian Employers awards (ATE).

That was revealed recently by Puma Energy Tanzania Lim-

ited Managing director Dominic Dhanah when talking to The Guardian newspaper.

Dhanah said that by the capacity of its products sold in the country, Puma has become the market leader in distributing petroleum products and it takes the responsibility seri-

"Our robust performance is underpinned by a unique value proposition putting the customer at the centre of everything. We do with communication and transparency and that build trust. Our employees are the heart which pumps life to our business and our customer's every day. That is in keeping with our purpose which is to "Energise communities to drive growth and

have an awesome team, this is the backbone of our success we leverage and build on that" said Dhanah.

Dhanah said that Puma Energy Tanzania is well-known for best quality products in the market and this is caused by its unique mix of commercial activities and high quality facilities and storage assets which gives it the edge.

"This is driven by investing in state of the art equipment from storage facilities, to retail stations customer installation above all our well trained staff. Our business is not complicated but we are disciplined. We do simple things well" said Dhanah adding that "Our competitive advantage is our peo-

prosperity". To achieve that we ple, our employees and their ability to serve our customers. We heavily invest in people through our various programs like employee personal development and work training".

> Dhanah added that , Puma Energy will continuously improve the work conditions of its employees, as it believes in having the best working conditions and setting the highest standards for its people.

> He added that currently, Puma Tanzania has signed 3 years Collective Bargaining Agreement with the workers union (TUICO) to continuously improve work conditions which signifies the trust and maturity for Puma energy.

> "We also managed to improve many benefits for our

employees setting the reference in the market" added Dhanah.

He said that through its business, Puma Energy Tanzania employs directly 149 employees and over 800 indirect employees and it has been a major contributor of the economy where by last year it has managed to pay a dividend of 22 Billion shillings to its shareholders where 50% of it (11 Billion shillings) was paid to the government of Tanzania which is a huge increase from previous years.

Dhanah added that "We pride ourselves in developing diverse and expert local teams with an agile approach to safely and sustainably serving our customer needs".

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Puma Energy is an international mid and downstream oil company with operations in over 40 countries around the

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Puma Energy Tanzania Managing Director, Dominic Dhanah gives speech on awards achievements.

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By volumes sold in Tanzania, we are the market leader in distribution of petroleum products and we take that responsibility seriously. Our robust performance is underpinned by a unique value proposition putting the customer at the centre of everything we do with a strong focus on employee engagement. Our employees are the heart which pumps life to our business and our customers everyday. That is in keeping with our purpose which is to "Energise communities to drive growth and prosperity". To achieve that we have an awesome team, this is the backbone of our success we leverage and build on that.

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Dominic F. Dhanah **Managing Director**

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Staffs of Puma Energy Tanzania congratulates themselves after scooped the awards best employer of the year in Dar es Salaam recently.



Puma staffs and their family celebrates Family Day in 2019

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storage terminals, more than 3,000 offerings in the lubricants, bitumen, tomer base.

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Puma Energy's downstream activiand wholesale of the full range of re-Puma Energy has a network of 100 fined products, with additional product capacity to service its worldwide cus-

Puma Energy also provides a robust platform for independent entrepreneurs to develop their businesses, by providing a viable alternative to traditional market supply sources. Puma Energy operates the largest fleet of asphalt specialised vessels and further owns and operates 28 asphalt terminals of 538kt



Puma Energy MD, Dominic Dhanah presents gifts to Zanzibar, Mkunazini Primary School pupil Salum Ali Khatib in Community Social Responsibilty (CSR) engagement in Zanzibar recently.



Puma Energy MD, Dominic Dhanah in a joyful mood kisses the trophy after winning as overall winner in 2019 Employer of the year, which organized by ATE.

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KAMA MNAVYOFAHAMU, LAINI ZA SIMU AMBAZO HAZIJASAJILIWA KWA KUTUMIA NAMBA YA KITAMBUSHO CHA TAIFA (NIDA) NA KUTHIBITISHWA KWA ALAMA ZA VIDOLE ZILIANZA KUZIMWA TAREHE 20 JANUARI, 2020 USIKU NA ZOEZI LINAENDELEA.

HAKIKI TENA USAJILI WA LAINI ZAKO KWA KUPIGA NAMBA *I06# NA UCHUKUE HATUA STAHIKI SASA.

- I.0 KWA WALIOSITISHIWA HUDUMA ZA LAINI ZAO ZA SIMU KUAN-ZIA TAREHE 20.01.2020 WANAWEZA PIA KUENDELEA NA UTARA-TIBU WA USAJILI KWA LENGO LA AMA KURUDISHA LAINI ZAO ZILIZOFUNGWA KAMA ZITAKUWA BADO ZIPO AU KUPATA LAINI MPYA. ZOEZI HILI NI ENDELEVU.
- 2.0 KWA WATUMIAJI/WAOMBAJI (WATANZANIA) WAPYA WA LAINI ZA SIMU WATAENDELEA KUSAJILIWA MUDA WOTE KWA KU-TUMIA KITAMBULISHO CHA TAIFA NA KUHAKIKIWA KWA ALAMA ZA VIDOLE. HUDUMA HIYO NI ENDELEVU PIA.
- 3.0 MATUMIZI SAHIHI YA VITAMBULISHO WAKATI WA USAJILI WA LAINI ZA SIMU (ZINAZOTUMIKA AMA KWA AJILI YA MAWASILIA-NO YA SIMU ZA SAUTI AU VIFAA VYA MAVVASILIANO MENGINE) UKO KATIKA MAKUNDI YAFUATAYO:-
 - 3.1 Sisi wa-Tanzania kitambulisho chetu ni kile cha Taifa kitolewacho na NIDA kwa vigezo vyao;
 - 3.2 Kwa wageni wanaokaa hapa nchini chini ya miezi sita wanasajili laini za simu kwa kutumia namba za Hati zao za kusafiria na kuhaki-
 - 3.3 Kwa wageni wanaokaa zaidi miezi sita wanatumia vitambulisho (Legal Resident ID) ambavyo hupewa na NIDA (Hii ni kwa mujibu wa utaratibu wa Uhamiaji na NIDA);
 - 3.4 Kwa wanadiplomasia wanatumia Hati zao za kusafiria pamoja na vitambulisho vyao vinavyotolewa na Wizara ya Mambo ya nje; na
 - 3.5 Kwa wakimbizi wanatumia vitambulisho vyao ambavyo hupewa na NIDA (Hii ni kwa mujibu wa utaratibu wa Uhamiaji na NIDA),
- 4.0 KATIKA KUJIRIDHISHA KUWA WALIOSAJILI LAINI ZAO ZA SIMU WAMETUMIA VITAMBULISHO SAHIHI, TCRA KWA KUSHIRIKIANA NA WATOA HUDUMA ITAFANYA ZOEZI LA KUHAKIKI LAINI ZOTE ZITAKAZOKUWA ZIMESAJILIWA ILI KUWAONDOA WALE WALIOSAJILI LAINI ZAO AMA KWA KUTUMIA VITAMBULISHO VYA WATU WENGINE AU KWA KUTUMIA KITAMBULISHO TOFAUTI SAMBAMBA NA KUWACHUKULIA HATUA ZA KISHERIA.
- 5.0 IKUMBUKWE PIA KWAMBA KUSAJILI LAINI YA SIMU KWA KU-TUMIA KITAMBULISHO CHA MTU MWINGINE NI KOSA SANJARI NA KUPEWA LAINI ILIYOSAJILIWA NA MTU MWINGINE.
- 6.0 ONYO NA TAHADHARI ZINAENDELEA KUTOLEWA KWA MAKUNDI YOTE YALIYOORODHESHWA KWENYE KIPENGELE CHA 3.0 HAPO JUU, KUTOTUMIA KITAMBULISHO KISICHOKUHU-SU WAKATI UNASAJILI LAINI ZAKO ZA SIMU (ZINAZOTUMIKA AMA KWA AJILI YA MAWASILIANO YA SIMU ZA SAUTI AU VIFAA VYA MAWASILIANO MENGINE).

Imetolewa na Mkurugenzi Mkuu Mamlaka ya Mawasiliano Tanzania (TCRA) 24 Januari, 2020

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

THE Weights and Measures Agency (WMA) has been urged to authenticate water meters to make sure water users get correct bills and enjoy services something which will avoid complaints of false or estimated water bills.

Minister for Industry and Trade, Innocent Bashungwa issued the directive over the weekend when speaking to members of the Parliament Committee for Industry, Trade and Environment in Dodoma at a seminar organised by WMA.

He said there are many complaints of water users regarding the effectiveness of water meters so it is important for the agency to work on that issues to ensure there is value for money for water users when it comes to paying their bills.

"Currently the government is engaging in big water projects so it is important to have right measures to ensure a win- win situation between the agency and water users and we must end those complaints and make sure people are happy with the services," said Bashungwa.

Minister also commended (WMA), for the job well done and directed them to continue with public awareness education to make the public aware

'WMA must be tough on quality of water meters'

of their daily activities adding that through public education citizens will be aware of the proper measures during their businesses.

He also directed WMA to work on different challenges raised by members of the parliament committee and go to various regions to educate the public on how they can benefit from correct measures.

In his presentation before the committee, WMA Chief Executive Officer Dr. Ludovick Manege, said his agency had successfully sent 49 members of its staff for short and long courses inside and outside the country as a way to sharpen their skills.

He said WMA by using its internal resources had successfully bought different working tools like 26 computers, weigh and stones that are used to measure different minerals.

Dr Ludovick said WMA also had managed to construct unique centre that is used to measure cars transport diesel and petroleum products in Coast region which provided the services for inside the country and on transit cars.

Dr Ludovick said currently the centre had the capacity to weigh more than 60 cars per day compared to the old centre which had capacity to weigh only eight cars.

He said WMA continue to verify measures taking into consideration professionalism and to expand services so as to solve different challenges.

The CEO mentioned other challenges as the increase of local and foreign investors as a result of conducive investment climate and the decrease of obstacles in doing businesses.

On his side, the committees chairperson, Suleiman Sadiq, congratulated WMA for its excellent performance adding that they should not relax pull up their socks to solve challenges that face the community.

He said WMA should make follow ups of meter at petrol stations, water meter and engage in public education for farmers especially cashew nut and cotton growers to make sure that they benefit from their work and help the country move to middle income

Students advised to pursue careers in aviation industry

By Guardian Correspondent Allan Ntana, Tabora

STUDENTS who are pursuing science subjects have been advised to join civil aviation industry so as to benefit from employment opportunities available.

Speaking at the campaign held yesterday at Milambo, Tabora boys and girls secondary schools in Tabora region, Tanzania Civil Aviation Authority (TCAA) regional manager Daniel Josephat said that the authority has targeted to enhance thorough understanding of the industry to students.

He said the campaign has set to encourage many science students and others to join the aviation industry soon after completing their Form Six studies so as to benefit from the opportunities available including job employment.

He added that the event targets to sensitize them with duties and roles of Tanzania Civil Aviation Authority (TCAA) and how they can join the Civil Aviation Training Centre after their completing studies.

Josephat clarified that the aviation industry plays a big role on accelerating industrial development in Tanzania, hence the need of more experts in various sections so as meet the manpower demand.

He urged the scholars and others to study hard so as to attain good performance which can enable them to compete with others who are aspiring to join the industry.

The principal aeronautical information officer from TCAA who is also the chief instructor of airport operations, Thamaraki Abeid called for parents and guardians to allow and support their children to join the Civil Aviation Training Centre so as to benefit from the employment opportunities available.

She said the Centre is responsible for developing skills and impart knowledge of aviation industry to students in general, as it admits both local and international students mostly from SADC and East African regions.

Highlighting opportunities available, Thamarak said it currently provides basic and refresher trainings on air traffic controllers, aeronautical information officers, air navigation engineers, aviation security and other airport operation

The TCAA public information officer, Bestina Magutu said that the campaign aims to hasten the government efforts on industrial development by promoting skilled professionals.

She the awareness campaign will be taken to various schools in the regions so as to persuade many students join the aviation industry for better future .

Dar es Salaam Water and Sanitation Authority technicians work on a newly laid main pipe at Magari Saba yesterday, with a view to boosting the flow of water to Madafu, Magari Saba, Mnarani and Makonde suburbs in Ubungo District. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

CONTARCTORS Registration Board (CRB)registrar Rhoben Nkori has challenged local contractors in the country to use the skills they get from the board through training to bring positive changes and improve their performance during the execution of construction projects.

He made the remarks over the weekend when officiating at the closing of the three days training of capacity building for local contractors here in Arusha, the training which was organised by CRB and attracted many contractors.

Among the topics covered during the training included are labour productivity, contractors cash flows, resources management, materials handling and storage, plant and equipment management, sources of funds, organisational structure and job description.

Nkori said if local contractors would utilize fully the training they have undergone there are possibilities for their companies to be competent and compete with foreign companies for project tenders.

"For you to grow you must take this training seriously and implement the skills attained in your daily activities when executing construction projects

Registrar: Contractors should use their skills in better ways

in your respective companies and by government has put in place strategies doing so I am sure you will grow and be competent enough," said Nkori

Nkori also told contractors to supervise their employees in order for them to be responsible according to their positions in their respective companies to make sure they complete their projects within agreed time and observe standards and work quality.

"If you win construction tenders make sure you do it to the quality that will make your client happy with your company and this will be evidence that local contractors are capable to do big projects and you will attract more clients," he said.

Nkori urged contractors not to be discouraged by challenges and obstacles they face and take them as platform to grow adding that local contractors are capable to do if they take seriously the regular trainings

they are given by the board. Nkori said if they will complete projects within agreed time and good quality the government will award them big projects as they way to to make sure any foreign company that implements construction projects here in Tanzania must partner with local companies so this is a good opportunity for you to show that you are capable,' said Nkori.

Nkori urged all contractors to be faithful, collaborate and have good communications among others when they are given construction projects as the way to reach their intended goals.

"There are good contractors who perform well and they get many construction projects but they don't finish them within agreed time and this tarnish the image of all local contractors. Some of you may lose tenders because of the mistakes done by your colleagues. Improve the work you are given and make sure you finish within the agreed timeframe." Said Nkori

Speaking on behalf of contractors, Marry Makenda said the big challenge that they face is multiple taxation in the construction industry. She appealed to the government to reduce taxes and pay back their areas timely before and after they complete the projects.

motivate them to do better and better. "By recognizing your importance the



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 31-12-2019

Report of Condition of Bank pursuant to section 32 (3) of the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 2006

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS (Amounts in million shillings)	AI 0101 DEGE	WDLII 201
	Current Quarter 31-Dec-19	Previous Quarter 30-Sep-19
A. ASSETS		
1 Cash	2 008	3
2 Balances with Bank of Tanzania	12 829	12
3 Investments in Government securities	91 811	92
4 Balances with other banks and financial institutions	4 976	5
5 Cheques and items for clearing	-	
6 Inter branch float items 7 Bills negotiated	-	
8 Customers' liabilities for acceptances		
9 Interbank Loans Receivables	64 071	83
0 Investments in other securities		
Loans, advances and overdrafts (net of allowances for probable losses)	41 776	33
2 Other assets	4 842	5
3 Equity Investments	-	
4 Underwriting accounts	-	
5 Property, Plant and Equipment	1 538	1
6 TOTAL ASSETS	223 851	237
B LIABILITIES		
7 Deposits from other banks and financial institutions	-	
8 Customer deposits	111 095	118
9 Cash letters of credit	-	
0 Special deposits	15 265	16
Payment orders/transfers payable	-	
2 Bankers' cheques and drafts issued	-	
3 Accrued taxes and expenses payable	1 442	2
4 Acceptances outstanding	-	
5 Interbranch float items 6 Unearned income and other deferred charges	1 799	
8 junearned income and other deterred charges 7 Other liabilities	1 096	'
8 Borrowings	72 788	76
9 TOTAL LIABILITIES	203 484	217
0 NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)(16 minus 29)	20 367	19
C CARRY AND DESCRIPTION		
C CAPITAL AND RESERVES 1 Paid up share capital	31 420	31
2 Share Premium	29 104	29
3 Retained earnings	(42 166)	(42
4 Profit (Loss) account	2 009	1
5 Other capital accounts	-	
6 Minority Interest		
7 TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	20 367	19
8 Contingent liabilities	841 483	847
9 Non performing loans & advances	234	
0 Allowances for probable losses	891	
Other non performing assets	-	
D SELECTED FINANCIAL CONDITION INDICATORS	097	
Shareholders Funds to total assets	9% 0.55%] ,
	33%	
Non performing loans to total gross loans Gross loans and advances to total deposits	33/6	
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	(Amounts	in million shilliı	ngs)		
		Current Quarter 31-Dec-19	Comparative Quarter 30-Sep-19	Current Year Cummulative 31-Dec-19	Comparative Year Cummulative 31-Dec-18
1	Interest Income	4 423	4 063	12 515	8 567
2	Interest Expense	(1 702)	(1 400)	(4 634)	(2.872
	Net Interest Income (1 minus 2)	2 722	2 664	7 881	5 696
4	Bad Debts Written Off				_
5	Impairment losses on loans and advances	(298)	(181)	(480)	(37
6	Non-Interest Income	1 584	1 811	8 335	5 298
	6.1 Foreign currency dealings and translation gains/(losses)	371	320	1 408	1 108
	6.2 Commissions and fees	1 199	1 474	6 822	3 425
	6.3 Dividend income	-	-	-	
	6.4 Other operating income	14	17	106	76
7	Non-Interest Expenses	(3 421)	(3 571)	(13 728)	(13 125
	7.1 Salaries and other staff benefits	(1 658)	(1 669)	(6 367)	(6 068
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7.2 Fees and Commissions	(300)	(319)	(1 247)	(1 33
7.3 Other operating expenses	(1 464)	(1 584)	(6 115)	(5 72
8 Operating Income /(Loss)	586	723	2 009	(2 16
9 Income Tax Provision				
Net Income/(Loss) After Income Tax	586	723	2 009	(2 16
11 Other comprehensive Income (itemized)	-	-		
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	586	723	2 009	(2 16
13 Number of employees	114	117	114	10
14 Basic earning Per Share	93	115	320	(34
Number of branches	4	4	4	
SELECTED PERFORMANCE INDICATORS			(2 009)	
(i) Return on Average Total Assets	0.25%	0.30%	0.25%	-1.49
(ii) Return on Average Shareholders' Fund	2.92%	3.65%	2.92%	-11.18
(iii) Non Interest Expense to Gross Income	56.95%	60.79%	56.95%	94.66
(iv) Net Interest Income to Average Earning Assets	1.34%	1.27%	1.34%	4.87

	(Amou	unt in Milli	on TZS)				
	Share capital	Share Premium	Retainec Earning	Regulatory Reserve	General Reserve	Others	Total
Current Year 2019							
Balance at the beginning of the year	31 420	29 104	(42 568)	-	402	-	18 35
Profit/(loss) the year	-	-	2 009	-	-	-	2 00'
Other Comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ransactions with owners	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend Paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	Current Quarter 31-Dec-19	Comparative Quarter 30-Sep-19	Current Year Cummulative 31-Dec-19	Comparative Year Cummulative 31-Dec-18
Cash flow from operating activities				
Net Income (Loss)	586	723	2 009	(2 168)
Adjustment for:				
-Impairment/Amortization	27	82	27	(2 306)
-Net change in loans and advances -(Gains)/Loss on Sale of Assets	(8 204)	(885)	(8 204)	(7 039) 429
-Net change in Deposits	(9 007)	(70.401)	(9 007)	12 526
-Net change in Short Term Negotiable securities	751	(46 722)	751	207
-Net change in other liabilities	244	(235)	244	9 749
-Net change in other Assets	642	(583)	642	(6 644)
-Tax paid	-		-	1 397
-Others (specify)	-	-	-	568
Net cash provided(used) by operating activities	(14 962)	(118 022)	(13 538)	6 720
II. Cash flow from investing activities:				
Dividend received				
Purchase of fixed assets	(343)	(38)	(343)	(60)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	()	(,	(,	0.5
Purchase of non-dealing securities	-			(445)
Proceeds from sale of non-dealing securities				, , , , ,
Others	-		-	
Net cash provided(used) by investing activities	(343)	(38)	(343)	(504)
III. Cash flow from financing activities:				
Repayment of long-term debt Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-		-	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	_		_	
Payment of cash dividends		1 :		
Net change in other borrowings	(4 038)	14 041	(4 038)	(3 457)
Others		-		
Net cash provided(used) by financing activities	(4 038)	14 041	(4 038)	(3 457)
IV. Cash and Cash equivalents:	(10.240)	(104.010)	(10.240)	0.750
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalent	(19 342)	(104 019)	(19 342)	2 759
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the quarter	135 645	239 664	135 645	81 294
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter	116 303	135 645	116 303	84 053

	<u>Name and line</u>	<u>signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	Usman Isiaka Managing Director / CEO	Signed	27th January 2020
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3	Joseph Ringa Country Head, Internal Audit	Signed	27th January 2020
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	Name and Title	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	Amb.Tuvako Manongi Board Chairman	Signed	27th January 2020
2	Oliver Alawuba Director	Signed	27th January 2020

UNITED BANK FOR AFRICA (TANZANIA) LIMITED MINIMUM DISCLOSURE OF CHARGES AND FEES

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	Processing fee Insurance for personal loans	negotiable N/A	2% 1.50%
2 1	Legal fees TEMPORARY OVERDAFT (TODs)	0.5% minimum of TZS 300,000	0.5% minimum of TZS 300,000
	Processing fee TRADE FINANCE	2%	2%
1 (Guarantees Facility Commission	2% p.a (0.5% per qtr). Min USD 250 per qrt.	Guarantees 2% p.a (0.5% per qtr). Min USD 250 per qtr.
	Arrangement fees	2%	2%
,	Cash Covered Amendment	0.5% per qtr Min 250 per qtr USD 100.00 flat	0.5% per qtr Min 250 per qtr USD 100.00 flat
,	Extension to next quarter Amount increase	0.5% per qtr (Or % of the agreed rate) 0.5% /qtr on the diff (Or % of the agreed rate)	0.5% per qtr (Or % of the agreed rate) 0.5% /qtr on the diff (Or % of the agreed r
2 1	Letters of Credit - Imports Issuance commision	0.5% per quarter. Min USD 150.	Letters of Credit - Imports 0.5% per quarter. Min USD 150.
1	Handling Fees Swift charge	USD 100 flat	USD 100 flat
,	Amendment	USD 100,00 flat	USD 100.00 flat
I	Letters of Credit - Exports LC Advising Commission	USD 200 flat	Letters of Credit - Exports USD 200 flat
	Amendment advising commision Correspondences Swift charge	USD 100 Flat USD 50 flat	USD 100 Flat USD 50 flat
- 1	Documents handling and examination fee Courier charge	1.5% of invoice amount ,min usd 200 USD 100 flat	1.5% of invoice amount ,min usd 200 USD 100 flat
ı	LC confirmation charges	1.5% per quarter (only for confirmed usance Ics)	1.5% per quarter (only for confirmed usanc
	Letters of Credit Refinancing Interest on refinance	LIBOR + 8% p.a of value. Min USD 100	Letters of Credit Refinancing LIBOR + 8% p.a of value. Min USD 100
	Commission on refinance Discounting on LC/Invoice/Cheque	USD 50 flat	USD 50 flat
	Interest on discounting	LIBOR + 8% p.a of value. Min USD 100	LIBOR + 8% p.a of value. Min USD 100
	Commission on discounting Bills Discounting (Bills of exchange including	USD 50 flat	USD 50 flat
	cheques) Interest on discounting	PLR +3%-local; International Lobor+8%	PLR +3%-local; International Lobor+8%
7	Documentary Collection - Export Handling charge	0.25% of the invoice min USD 100 flat	0.25% of the invoice min USD 100 flat
	Courier charge Corespondence commission	USD 100 USD 50 Per tracer	USD 100 USD 50 Per tracer
8 1	Documentary Collection - Import		
	Handling Commission correspondence Swift charge	0.25%. Min USD 100 USD 50	0.25%. Min USD 100 USD 50
	Outward Bills for Collection (clean collections & TCs) Handling Commision	0.25% of value, min USD 75 or its equivalent	0.25% of value, min USD 75 or its equivalen
1	Dhl charges Returned foreign cheques	usd 75 flat claimed charges + locally un re-covered charges	usd 75 flat claimed charges + locally un re-covered
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	Handling Commission Swift charged	USD 50 flat per collection USD 40 flat per collection	USD 50 flat per collection USD 40 flat per collection
	Local Currency Transactions Outward remittances (TISS)	TZS 10,000 PER TRANSACTION	Local Currency Transactions TZ\$10,000 PER TRANSACTION
7	Amendment fee for Outward remittances / Swift / Telegraphic Transfers by customer or by bank	TZS 10,000.00 OR ITS EQUIVALENT	TZS 10,000.00 OR ITS EQUIVALENT
- 1	Inward Swift Transfers (TISS)	NIL	NIL
•	Foreign Currency Transactions Outward remittances / Swift / Telegraphic Transfers	MIN USD 50 in between 0.25% MAX USD 500	Foreign Currency Transactions MIN USD 50 in between 0.25% MAX USD 50
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-	Telegraphic Transfers by customer or by bank Inward Swift Transfers	USD 10 FLAT USD 10 FLAT	USD 10 FLAT USD 10 FLAT
	International Money Order (IMO)	USD 30 per IMO	USD 30 per IMO
I G	Foreign cheques for collection OTHERS	0.25% of value. USD 75 min; USD 250 max;	0.25% of value. USD 75 min; USD 250 max;
	Statements Monthly	FREE	Statements FREE
,	Adhoc requests Cheque Books Issuing	TZS 1,000/ PAGE	TZS 1,000/ PAGE Cheque Books Issuing
	- 25 Leaf	TZS 15,000; USD 10	N/A
1	- 50 Leaf - 100 Leaf	TZS 30,000; USD 20 TZS 45,000; USD 30	N/A TZS 45,000; USD 30
	Counter cheque request Cheque Stop payment instructions	TZS 20,000; USD 10 leaf lost; TZS 20,000; Book lost; TZS 40,000;	TZS 20,000; USD 10 Leaf lost: TZS 20,000; Book lost: TZS 40,000;
	Issuance of Manager's cheque	TZS 25,000; USD 20 per item	TZS 25,000; USD 20 per item
3 :	Managers cheque cancellation charges Standing order	FREE	FREE Standing order
	Standing order set-up Standing order maintanance	TZS 10,000; USD 10 or its equivalent NIL	TZS 10,000; USD 10 or its equivalent NIL
	Standing order/Foreign Bank (TT charge) Amend / Stop standing Order	MIN USD 50; 0.25% MAX USD 500 TZS 10,000; USD 10 or its equivalent	MIN USD 50; 0.25% MAX USD 500 TZS 10,000; USD 10 or its equivalent
	Unpaid standing order	TZS 40,000; USD 40 or its equivalent	TZS 40,000; USD 40 or its equivalent
	Insufficient funds/effects not cleared Effects not cleared	ITEM REMOVED	Insufficient funds/effects not cleared ITEM REMOVED
	Insufficient Funds (Refer to drawer) Other services/charges	TZS 50,000; USD 50	TZS 50,000; USD 50
	Retriving old documents (2-6 months)	TZS 10,000; USD 10	TZS 10,000; USD 10
	Retriving documents (6 months and above) Confirmation/Audit/ Certificate of balance	TZS 15,000; USD 15 TZS 50,0,000; USD 25 or its equivalent	TZS 5,000; USD 15 TZS 50,0,000; USD 25 or its equivalent
T	Status enquiry / Reference Letters	TZS 25,000; USD 25 or its equivalent per customer request	TZS 25,000; USD 25 or its equivalent
1	Manual processing of salaries	TZS 1,000; USD1 or its equivalent	TZS 1,000; USD1 or its equivalent
1	Closure of Account Dormant Account Reactivation	TZS10,000 FREE	TZS10,000 FREE
	Cash handling fee-COINS ONLY Soiled notes	9% of the Deposit 3% of principal amount	9% of the Deposit 3% of principal amount
	Coins	3% of principal amount	3% of principal amount
	approved by:		
#	Signature:		Signature:
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African stakeholders need to focus on energy independence

knowledge-led development of Africa Lthrough science driven policy and investments is important for boosting long-term growth and well-being.

Africa is a continent with a growing consumer base, entrepreneurial ambitions and home-grown innovation. With more than 300 technology hubs spread across 93 of the continent's cities, entrepreneurs are innovating in every sector from education and health to agriculture and energy. Africa is becoming a generator of knowledge, innovation, creativity and technology, rather than being simply an adapter of trends produced elsewhere in the world. There is no doubt that African government policy can accelerate this process. The knowledge-based development model is new territory for Africa. It should define our collective aims. Having a creative, skilled and educated young African population combined with the implementation of science and evidence-based pan-African and national public policies and investments can lead to large-scale social transformation and improved well-being.

The knowledge-based development model in Africa has been accelerated by the arrival of western and Asian innovators and knowledge creators. These innovators have been attracted Africa's flexible regulatory environment. This has enabled Africa to welcome early versions of newly developed technology.

African governments must first take concrete, specific actions to produce and disseminate knowledge around the continent. Africa, the rapid growth of the industrial economy brings with it an opportunity to leapfrog the classical linear economy and jump straight into more environmentally sensitive circular models, reaping the benefits of integrating social, environmental and

economic factors into the balance.

To support a rapid transition to the circular economy in Africa, policymakers, academia, the business community and civil society must work together to create an enabling environment for research and development towards a low-impact, low carbon economy. Ways to do this include using bio-based material and energy resources rather than petro-based ones; designing products composed of renewable resources, which minimise energy consumption; producing goods locally using local renewable resources; and supporting efforts to recover waste as a resource for new industrial processes, etc. In essence, this means focusing on the use of the renewable resources that surround us, and preventing them from going to waste.

African stakeholders need to focus on energy independence. The Fukushima nuclear catastrophe has been pivotal in driving the energy transition in Europe through the rapid development of renewable energy systems, a resource particularly abundant in Africa. The continent's economic and social fabric could be transformed in coming years. Nevertheless, there are major challenges to be overcome before achieving both universal energy access and energy independence. Despite rapid advances in the capture, storage and management of renewable energy, colossal investments are required to support infrastructures and systems that are both financially viable and technically feasible.

This will necessitate strong political backing through incentives and regulation to support public and private investments, as well as partnerships to achieve technological advances. These are needed in energy storage, for example, to counter the intermittent nature of renewable energy.

This is where international cooperation could have long-term impact. **The Guardian Limited Key Contacts**

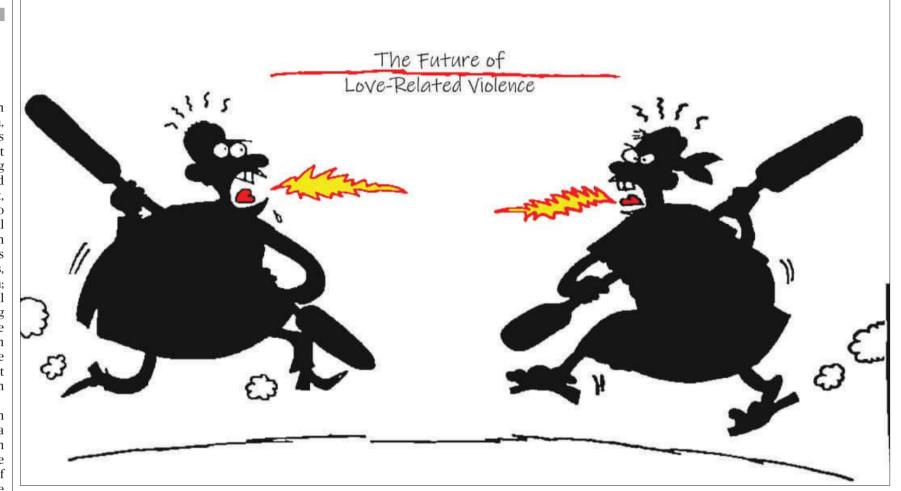
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The system must change: Time to throw out the old and rebuild an inclusive economy

By Mmusi Maimane

UR current model locks out poor people from accessing work. The most excluded in our society are poor South Africans. For South Africa to have a future, we must work to form a new movement for change that is by the people, for the people.

South Africa's economy is in deep trouble and saying anything to the contrary does not change the situation. The World Bank has revised our growth projections downward to 0.9% from what was an already unattractive 1.5%. We live in a country where more than 10 million of our citizens are unemployed, where wealth inequality is pervasive and poverty is on the rise.

This is the crisis we must be fully focused on, rather than the drama that surrounds certain players in our politics. Our politics has turned into a Generations omnibus and we can't change the channel. We have failed to recognise the systematic decay and decline our economy is currently in. We need change, and not only to our economy. But we must fix our politics to fix our economy.

To flip a popular election message on its head, "it's the politics, stupid".

Our politics in Africa are far less ideological than what is often debated in other countries. Nowhere is this more evident than in the ANC. We have a government that is a coalition led by the ANC, an unholy and untenable mixture of communists, capitalists and socialists. This motley mix of all ideological groupings, in what the ANC calls a broad church, has led to this sidelining of ideas and ideology.

We live in a country where we created an unholy triangle between business, labour and politics. Most times this has been at the expense of citizens. The triangle creates the latitude for business not to reform into a different type of modern capitalism. The facts remain, we still have monopolies in the public service and consumerhostile activities occurring often in the private sector. We have a system of CEOs whose primary mandate still remains short-term profit-seeking. The consequences of this short game have meant quick wins, short-term gains and retrenchments, but as Larry Fink in his recent Annual letter to CEOs: A fundamental reshaping of finance so eloquently puts it:

"The money we manage is not our own. It belongs to people in dozens of

others - to promote long-term value."

To place merit in Fink's argument, what is the long-term value business African public?

enemy and for us to build a South Africa for all, all role-players must contribute. We must make it possible for new entrants, not entrench monopolies. Yes, let's create work and furthermore create real value for citizens over a long period. Extractive capital is archaic

The smoothest transition from apartheid to post-apartheid South Africa occurred in the business community: in the exchange for being able to keep making profit and to monopolise certain industries, the arrangement between the business class and the ruling class has been not to upset the commercial status quo. The symbiotic relationship was clearly based on the arrangement that the ANC would get the state and the private sector would keep the markets. Business, in return for not being troubled too much, would fund the political parties and they, in turn, would not implement anti-business policies and would award tenders to favourable companies.

business had to make was around labour rights, the third aspect of the triangle being the status afforded to labour formations through the big unions. Under the agreements, labour would be assured political connections and proximity and they would receive above-inflation pay increases. Big unions were given bargaining power at the expense of informal labour and unorganised labour through the creation and continued existence of Nedlac. And while Nedlac is still necessary, it is wholly in need of reform.

This council delivers nothing except to keep organised labour at bay and make the leaders of the labour movements comfortable. Labour is quiet because its leaders have been rewarded for co-operation. The long and short of it is that business, labour and capitalism in South Africa are unreformed and unresponsive to the changing times, the political parties having been co-opted through funding. cosily on the sofa of this agreement.

My argument is: this triangle was designed to keep the largest sectors of our society at bay. Within the triangle is the element of provision of grants keeping the poor in place, but with the cold comfort of waiting for pennies gives to consumers? To the South and scraps to fall from the table. This consensus was not designed to end poverty, it was designed to manage it. Our economic pact was not designed to create equality of opportunity through equitable policy formulation and implementation. It was designed to normalise the systemic separation of the preceding political epoch.

> Bluntly put, we are not working on a model of economic policy that will ultimately eradicate poverty. It is a model that locks out poor people from accessing work. The most excluded in our society are poor South Africans.

They are locked out and anyone who seeks to start a new business is also effectively locked out. The system is broken and we are still falling for the trap of analysing the players on the chessboard, not the structural challenges. We can blame one group of people and idolise another group, but the system itself must change. This is why the game of choosing the good guys in the ANC versus the bad guys in the ANC is a vacuous project.

So we need change, but in order to reach that change, we first need a change to our politics. We must reform parties. At this stage, the ANC enjoys the spoils of the triangle and keeps donors and unions at bay. They show no genuine development to the poor and poor stimulus to micro-enterprise. Are labour/unions not also the poor "working class"?

We must create a new coalition. A coalition that is future-focused.

The solution to Eskom is not to fix the current situation, but to aim to be the biggest supplier of renewable energy to the continent. We certainly have the best coastline, best weather conditions (sunny skies and wind) and labour to achieve this goal. This is the ambition we must aim for. Africa can lead the way in renewables, we certainly have the minerals for battery supply. My dream is an Africa that can provide the world with batteries and energy. This is possible. We can do this, but it will take bold reforms. It will require that we truly ask corporations to consider the long-term value and build companies that are climate-friendly so that ultimately we break the alliance.

Second, we must be future-focused. No one owes us anything; we must have labour laws that remind us that the worker in South Africa is competing with the worker in Japan, in Germany – or China. Let's make it easier to employ and while some may not want to hear this, easier to redesign our employee

Last, with Davos taking place this week, is it not time that we look at exchange control? I have wondered how easy it can be for us to move money in and out of SA. We make these reforms, we can ensure investment can flow into our country. Surely this must be one of our priorities?

The greatest obstacle to these reforms is that our established political parties prefer the status quo. I would genuinely urge that if we reform our politics, we can reform our economy. When citizens can directly elect their MPs, party loyalty will be trumped by constituency and Constitutional lovalty.

Let the citizens take their power and let us not remain under ransom to the status quo. I have maintained that a movement of South African citizens will be the ultimate change that this country needs. We need this new movement. We already have 48 parties in the country. Party number 49 will add some colours and perhaps some new thoughts but in the main, the same model will apply. Politics of the future focus on a South Africa where all citizens can prosper together and active citizens can hold their public representatives accountable. That one day no one will ever abuse the power of office to hold citizens to ransom. This is the long game.

If we don't reform, then let's obsess about personalities; today its Gordhan, before maybe Zuma, then DD, then Ramaphosa, but in the end a different cast will always end up with the same script, and same outcome.

I call on the church, civil society and business. Let's work to form a new movement for change that is by the people, for the people. That comes from rich and poor, black and white. This will be a new movement for change.

Let's build our nation and build an economy that is inclusive and has a future for all. I will work with anyone who believes in non-racialism, justice and a future for our young people. Who wants to see electoral reform and ultimately the eradication of corruption?

International Holocaust Remembrance Day: We must reassert our commitment to human rights

HE Holocaust, also known as the Shoah, was the World War II genocide of the European Jews. Between 1941 and 1945, across Germanoccupied Europe, Nazi Germany and its collaborators systematically murdered some six million Jews, around two-thirds of Europe's Jewish population. The murders were carried out in pogroms and mass shootings; by a policy of extermination through work in concentration camps; and in gas chambers and gas vans in German extermination camps.

implemented Germany persecution in stages. Following Adolf Hitler's appointment as Chancellor on 30 January 1933, the regime built a network of concentration camps in Germany for political opponents and those deemed undesirable, starting with Dachau on 22 March 1933.

After the passing of the Enabling Act on 24 March, which gave Hitler plenary powers, the government began isolating Jews from civil society; this included boycotting Jewish businesses in April 1933 and enacting the Nuremberg Laws in September 1935. On 9-10 November 1938, eight months after Germany annexed Austria, Jewish businesses and other buildings were ransacked, smashed or set on fire throughout Germany and Austria during what became known as Kristallnacht (the "Night of Broken

After Germany invaded Poland in September 1939, triggering World War II, the regime set up ghettos to segregate Jews from the rest of the population. Eventually thousands of camps and other detention sites were established across German-occupied

Holocaust International Remembrance Day is an international memorial day on 27 January commemorating the tragedy of the Holocaust that occurred during the

Second World War. It commemorates the genocide that resulted in the deaths of 6 million Jews and 11 million others, by the Nazi regime and its collaborators. It was designated by the United Nations General Assembly resolution on 1 November 2005. The resolution came after a special session was held earlier that year on 24 January 2005 during which the United Nations General Assembly marked the 60th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps and the end of the Holocaust.

On 27 January 1945, Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi concentration and death camp, was liberated by the Red Army.

Prior to the resolution, there had been national days of commemoration, such as Germany's Tag des Gedenkens an die Opfer des Nationalsozialismus (The Day of Remembrance for the victims of National Socialism), established in a proclamation issued by Federal President Roman Herzog on 3 January 1996; and the Holocaust memorial day observed every 27 January since 2001 in the UK.

Resolution establishing 27 January as International Holocaust Remembrance Day urges every member nation of the U.N. to honour the memory of Holocaust victims, and encourages the development of educational programmes about Holocaust history to help prevent future acts of genocide. It rejects any denial of the Holocaust as an event and condemns all manifestations of religious intolerance, incitement, harassment or violence against persons or communities based on ethnic origin or religious belief. It also calls for actively preserving the Holocaust sites that served as Nazi death camps, concentration camps, forced labor camps and prisons, as well as for establishing a U.N. programme of outreach and mobilization of society for Holocaust remembrance and

countries trying to finance long-term economic stagnation. We are still sitting goals like retirement. And we have a deep responsibility to these institutions and individuals - who are shareholders in your company and thousands of

Let me be clear, business is not the we need reform.

The biggest compromise that

This is largely why we remain in an

Guardian

A peep into 'prescriptions' in women's new poll manifesto



Women Fund Tanzania executive director Mary Rusimbi presents a paper at an event in Dar es Salaam.

By Special Correspondent

OMEN activist networks led by Women Fund Tanzania (WFT), the Tanzania Gender Networking Programme (TGNP) as well as Network of Women and the Constitution (MWK) have issued the fifth manifesto carrying demands of women for the 2019 local government and the 2020 General Elections.

In this issue, By Special Correspondent interviews the managing director of Women Fund Tanzania Trust, Mary Rusimbi, on what there is in the manifesto and its importance.

Q: We remember that last November 15 there was a major workshop for the women activist organizations on one side and representatives of political parties in the country on the other side. What were the objectives of the workshop?

A: If you can well remember, for the first time in the history of our country, women from various places in the country met in 2015, ahead of that year's general elections and started the 'Network of Women and the Con-

The purpose of starting this network, which grouped more than 50 women civil society organizations was to bring out a collective voice of women agitating for rights of those women so that they contemplate and discuss major issues tied to women's rights, so that they are included as important agenda in the 2015 general elections I remember during that period of activism, 12 major demands were presented to political parties and the fourth phase government under retired president Jakaya Kikwete.

We are very grateful that many of the women's demands were worked upon by political parties as well as the government. This was a major victory which we did not expect, but since we fought for it, and spit fire, we succeeded by a great deal. We thank the chairperson of the WFT-Trust boards, Prof. Ruth Meena, who greatly worked on this matter.

Now let me come back to your question. The recent workshop was a continuation of the women's agenda for the local government elections last November 24, and the next general elections in October 2020.

Networking members of the Women and Constitution platform from around 60 civic organizations came together to prepare the 2019/2020 manifesto. The meeting was intended to take the message to political parties, so that they take the message to the people concerning this new election manifesto of women.

Networking activists in general prepared and distributed copies of the manifesto which have already been published to representatives of political parties, who attended the meeting.

Q: But we see the political situation in the country is good and women aren't supposed to fear anything in particular. Is it that women are not allowed to contest for elections? What really is the purpose of

the manifesto?

A: We are not saying that the political situation in the country is bad. The fifth phase government has made an effort to guide the country well, we congratulate it. Even then, we as a large group of women there are things we see are not yet right, are inclined towards a patriarchal system.

First, this manifesto mobilizes women who are a big portion of voters to refuse to be escorts in these campaigns where leadership is simply full of men. We want those supervising the polls to make sure that women also come out in candidacy for posts to be contested, and the habit of cutting out their names should be discarded.

Second, here in the country, you can't contest for election as a private individual without passing through political parties. So, political parties are the only route to enter the polls process. In those parties it is them who decide who should enter and who should be left out. I regret to say here that in parties there is discrimiare left out for unfounded reasons. no offences. We tell these parties in our manifesto at women who come out to contest for leadership, and not ignore them. They should abandon privileging men whereas women and men are equal gender-wise.

Third, this manifesto reminds those in authority in the government to ensure the competitive field in the coming elections for ward councilors, members of Parliament and the presidency is not biased in favour of men alone, but includes all groups, especially women.

There should be free competition politically. I repeat again; we women want free political competition in the 2020 general elections.

Fourth, the manifesto is targeting at appealing to media organs to educate the public on women's rights, that they avoid publishing material that is injurious to women's dignity, and be on the forefront of the political fields to defend and actively receive discussion positions given by women (not just men).

Fifth, women are demanding an independent electoral commission so as to ensure that there is equality in picking candidates, in conducting civic education,, and properly supervise the entire electoral exercise during voting and in counting them. The manifesto proposes that the commission sets out 50 by 50 for male and female contest-

Q: There are various law organs which during the time of elections have a big club to supervise the polls, and unfortunately some of these organs - I will not name them - become a bother as instead of properly discharging the functions they are tasked with. What do you say on this?

A: In one aspect the law enforcement organs are doing a good job, but as you say, there is no electoral process which hasn't a litany of woes in one way or another. TGNP director Lilian Liundi, the TGNP board chairperson they receive this manifesto with two Aiseny Muro and even other speakers hands.

from NCCR-Mageuzi, ACT-Wazalendo, CUF and the Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance touched on that question. Also, spokespersons for WFT namely Carol Francis Mango, Bernadetta Kafuko and Dr, Dana Mbaga contributed intensely on this argu-

The manifesto has appealed to the courts to work on electoral cases by exercising great wisdom, which shall not lead to contravening the rights of the disabled, women and girls.

And PCCB have been urged to combat all sorts of corruption appearing during elections, including sexual corruption which WFT Trust and other stakeholders combat as their main agenda. We congratulate PCCB for being in the forefront of combating sextortion as it now has deep roots in the

Similarly the police force has been asked to recognize that its main task is to defend the people and should avoid a creeping habit in recent years of usnation, due to the patriarchal system ing excessive force during elections, which has lasted for so long. Women injuring citizens who have committed

The Registrar of Political Parties was that they should look with a good eye also asked to put up regulations which ensure equality for all political parties, and not to privilege all the time a certain party. They should also energetically supervise civic and voter education, taking into account the rights of women and people with disabilities.

> The new chairman of CHRGG, Mathew Maingu, said that the commission had received with both arms the manifesto and he would take note of all its proposals on the rights of women. Nearly all spokespersons urged the formation of an independent electoral commission with members from all political parties and not just the ruling

Q: What political parties attended the meeting and received copies of the manifesto?

A: Some of the political parties which attended and were given our manifesto include CCM, ACT-Wazalendo, CUF, TLP and NCCR-Mageuzi.

Institutions which attended or sent representatives include the police force, PCCB, the National Electoral Commission (NEC) and its Isles format (ZEC), the Tanzania Centre for Democracy, ULINGO as well as media and public relations experts.

CHADEMA did not send a representative but we have sent them copies of the manifesto through its secretary general.

We are thankful for this work of preparing the Women's Manifesto, work which was painstakingly done by the board chairperson of WFT-Trust, Prof. Ruth Meena, during the very exciting 2015 general elections has continued well and we are sure it will yield fruit in this year's polls.

The first manifesto was in year 2000, the second in year 2005, the third in year 2010,, the fourth in year 2015 and now we have the fifth manifesto for year 2019/2020.

I congratulate all networking members for this good job they have done. Our role is to educate people so that



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How do we tackle human development in a mutilated world?

By Steven Jensen

HE latest Human Development Report presents a dire picture of the escalation of inequality within and between nations. It shows how inequality attaches to race, gender, ethnic and social origin, disability and sexual orientation. But will anyone other than civil society take it seriously?

We're caught in a trap, I can't walk out

Because I love you too much baby.

Why can't you see

What you're doing to me When you don't believe a word I

We can't go on together...

When Elvis Presley sang these words in the 1960s, he was obviously referring to love. But, transposed to 2020, his words might just as well refer to our relationship with inequality where we are also "caught in a trap". The words have been given particular resonance by a devastating Human Development Report published by the UN Development Programme (UNDP) in the dying days of 2019.

Because it was published at the end of the year many people missed it. But it deserves everyone's careful consideration.

The Human Development Report is published annually. But in 2019 the UN decided that human development should be reconceptualised around the issue of inequality. It titles the report Beyond Income, Beyond Averages, Beyond Today: Inequalities in human development in the 21st century - giving new analytical depth to capturing the global human condition.

The report draws on a body of impressive international scholarship that in recent years has analysed global inequality - or inequality within and between countries as it is also commonly phrased - in much greater detail than before.

In the past, this scholarship has often - and with good reason - focused on measuring income and wealth inequalities. However, the concept of human development offers a broader framing that helps us understand the multi-dimensional nature of existing inequalities bet-

The global reality speaks for

According to the report:

• 17% of children born in low human development countries in 2000 will have died before the age of 20, compared with just 1% of children born in very high human development countries.

• the difference in life expectancy at birth between low and very high human development countries is 19 years. This reflects both gaps in access to health care and that a quarter of a lifespan is lost through being born in a poor country.

• Global out-of-school numbers are extremely high, with more than half the world's children unable to read and understand a simple story by the age of 10.

• The current deviation from the 2030 Sustainable Development Goal Four target for reducing the numbers of children out-of-school means that by that year there will be "225 million children starting their life with a hardly reversible disadvantage".

• Furthermore, by 2030 "the wealthiest 1% of the population is on track to capture 35% of global

In South Africa, the worldwide overview reveals, the share of income received by the top 10% reaches its peak at 65% while the bottom 40% in the country receives only 4% of income.

On climate change, a study based on longitudinal data from 37 countries is referenced showing that "warming has made tropical countries at least 5% poorer than they would otherwise be". Climate



change, together with access to technologies and required skills in the knowledge economy, are likely to be sources of 21st-century inequalities (adding to the 20thcentury ones).

Inequalities are the result of political choices

This is a lot to digest but there is one key message from the 2019 Human Development Report to keep in mind: nothing is inevitable about these inequalities. They are a result of choices made in the past - including flawed policies and economic thinking gone wrong. We could change direction and secure massive benefits for people around the world. But, for that to happen, we need political will.

We also need to understand how we arrived at the current impasse.

While reading the report, a quote from the Nobel literature prize winner Alexander Solzhenitsyn came to mind. In the late 1960s, he and many authors faced extensive censorship from the Soviet regime, which censored or suppressed independent creative expression aimed at reflecting on the realities of life in the USSR. Solzhenitsyn explained:

"What is best in our literature appears in a mutilated form ... Literature which does not breathe the same air as a contemporary society, which cannot communicate its pain and fears, which cannot warn in time against moral and social dangers, does not deserve the name of literature, but merely of cosmetics."

Substitute Solzhenitsyn's notion of "literature" with the modern-day field of economics and we have a very contemporary problem. The dominating economic paradigms backed by the key international and domestic economic institutions like the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank and many central banks that have pushed these paradigms forward - have left us in a "mutilated world" where billions of people on a daily basis pay a heavy price for these failings.

We have lived through nearly fourdecades of an economic doctrine that has been unable to consistently see and respond to the "pain and fears" of people and the "moral and social dangers" that communities, countries and the larger world have been facing.

Mainstream economic thinking during the last decades of the 20th century became "cosmetics", in Solzhenitsyn's understanding of the term, presenting a mask that denied the damage and pain it was inflicting on humanity and the environment. We live with and must face the devastating consequences of that disturbing problem. Putting lipstick on global inequalities is a really bad prescription. Lip service glossing over the problems is no

On this historical point, the authors of the 2019 Human Rights Development Report have actually found it necessary to repeat something that UN experts warned against back in the 1950s. At that time, they advised in UN reports on the "World Social Situation" that "inequalities in human development ... cannot be accounted for simply by using summary measures of inequality that focus on a single dimension". The 1950s experts warned against an over-reliance on the GDP figure or the Gini-coefficient.

The 2019 UN experts have felt it necessary to do the same.

The UNDP report calls for "a revolution in metrics" and "a new generation of measurement" to illuminate the underlying mechanisms that generate inequalities. New innovative research, drawing on a broader range of data sources and more refined analytical tools, to quality early childhood suggests that, in many countries, education have long-term income and wealth at the top may be accumulating faster than previously understood using summary employment prospects - and measures of inequality. This must they even benefit a person's be captured in our analysis.

Furthermore, good policies need good measurement to better inform public debate and to identify potential revenue available to the state. Here transparency is a major concern. Huge amounts of wealth are hidden in offshore holdings and ising forces bringing wider thus the report documents that:

"Eighty-eight countries score one or less (on a 20-point scale) for availability of information on income and wealth inequality - meaning focusing on human dignity they have 5% or less of what would is an important strategy and be an ideal level of transparency."

This is where the new approach of the 2019 Human Development ment in the 21st century". Report brings dividends. Wealth and income inequalities most certainly need to be addressed but into close contact with the that will not be sufficient to reverse existing inequalities. Hence, the report places emphasis on existing is articulated in many UN health and educational inequalities conventions and in national and warns of the new inequalities constitutions (editor's note: related to climate change and ac- a very valuable website has cess to technologies that are likely just been launched that reto define the 21st century.

Inequality, economy and

The report looks at four dimensions - economy, society, politics and peace and security - that are crucial for human development. These dimensions entail: how inequalities interact with patterns of economic growth; how inequalities affect social cohesion; how political participation and the exercise of political power are influenced by portant than imbalances in inequalities; and how inequalities interact with violence.

This broader perspective will allow many stakeholders to engage in relevant action. A range of solutions is on offer. The report shows that policies that:

"ensure equitable access consequences for health, cognitive development and siblings and children".

Fiscal redistribution is also shown to be a powerful tool to address income inequality; government spending on health and education are clearly presented as equalbenefits.

Significantly, the Human Development Report also makes as a major point that should be one of the "constitutive aspects of develop-

Doing this brings the concept of human development legal framework to protect and fulfil human rights that veals how many countries have adopted human rights into their constitutions). This framework actually expands our possibilities for action, suggesting the possibility for a human rights economics that we now must urgently consider going forward.

The report explicitly mentions that "dignity as equal treatment and non-discrimination can be even more imthe distribution of income". This is based on evidence from Chile, a country with very unequal income distribution, showing that in terms of people's concerns, their discontent ranked higher when it came to unequal access to health, unequal access to education and unequal respect and dignity in the way people are treated than when it came to income inequality.

The report in no way dismisses the problems caused by income inequality but it does show that there are numerous avenues for action available - including immediate ones that can have an impact.

Championing dignity - and its connections to equality, iustice, freedom and non-discrimination within the wider human rights framework and insisting that this must inform 21st-century economics could become one of the major strategies for transforming our mutilated world into something distinctly better in every corner of the

For that, we need to face the realities laid out in detail in this UN report and think about economics that, in Solzhenitsyn's word "will breathe the same air as contemporary society". And we must consider the future.

What is to be done? The problem with a promi-

nent UN report of this kind is that, while the evidence is incontestable and the diagnosis is spot on, there is little evidence governments pay it any attention when it comes to economic and social policymaking. This is despite the fact that most governments in the world have entrenched socio-economic rights in their law and make repeated promises to their electorates about their commitment to equality.

Similarly, while even bodies like the IMF have since 2014 repeatedly warned that escalating inequalities are bad for economics, bad for policy and bad for sustained growth (and that is a positive step), do they practice what they preach?



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Opportunity title: Head of Watetezi Online TV

Application deadline: 5th of February 2020

Work Station: Dar Es Salaam

The Tanzania Human Rights Defenders Coalition (THRDC) is an umbrella organization of more than 180 Human Rights focused organization operating in both Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar. The main focus of the Coalition is to put on the ground efforts towards enhanced security and protection of Human Rights Defenders in the United Republic of Tanzania.

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'Parental engagement key in boosting PSLE performance'

By Getrude Mbago

INACTIVE participation of parents in the education of their children has been cited as among major setbacks that hinder education development in some regions thus leading to poor performance in the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE), according to a new HakiElimu report released last week.

Dubbed "Exploration of factors that hinder and facilitate best performance in Primary School Leaving Examinations in Tanzania", the study found that parental involvement in education have shown consistent, positive results in the regions that are performing well in national examinations thus calling for other regions to emulate the habit.

Speaking during the event in Dar es Salaam, HakiElimu executive director Dr John Kallage underscored the need for increased sensitization programmes to enable parents understand deeply the importance of education and invest in their children.

He said that the report found that schools with high performance were associated with parents who valued their children's education.

"These parents engaged with schools and were sometimes financially supporting the schools to supplement the capitation grants the schools received from the government. Contrary, schools with parents who placed less value to their children's schooling, their engagement with schools and children's education were reported to be limited," he noted.

He said despite the efforts invested in the education sector in Tanzania, academic performance below expectations in almost all levels of education particularly in primary education has remained a challenge.

"The implementation of curriculum fee free conduct more tests and examinations," he said.

basic education, for example, has contributed to the massive increase of school-age children enrolment but more efforts are needed to improve the sector," he noted.

The reports also cites inadequate teachinglearning resources, inadequate capitation grant, desks, classrooms and inadequate number of teachers as other factors contributing to poor performances in PSLE.

"It is a high time now that parents and guardians treat their children with care and give them the needed quality education", the report recommends.

Kallage further said that the report however highlighted a number of solutions to improve performance of pupils during PSLE. They include pupils school camping.

According to him, if more emphasis could be put on school camping especially for the examinations classes of standard four and seven, performance could raise even more.

It also recommends well organized administrations in districts, regions and schools, additional teaching techniques and incentives as factors contributing to the performance.

According to him, the study found that regions with consistent better performance have been surrounded by good regional and district management and administration, commitments by parents and teachers in helping the children are the ones emerging upper in national examina-

"Most of the officials, teachers and parents who were interviewed named school camping as the unique factor, for the examinations classes, they encourage more extra time. In this found that parents and heads of school using their monies to put the children in safe school camps to enable them have time to review lessons and



HakiElimu executive director Dr John Kallage launching the report in Dar es Salaam recently

Dr Kallage urged regions with poor academic performances to draw some practices from regions with constituent better performance in PSLE including setting well regional academic promotion strategy.

findings to explain the association between and stakeholders to resource the schools

schools, districts and regional consistent PSLE performance and availability of teaching-learning resources, infrastructures, we cannot underestimate their importance in promoting academic learning. This suggests "Despite the fact that there were mixed a need of continuing efforts the government

improve infrastructures especially those located in remote areas," he noted.

Dr Richard Shukia, researcher from the University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM) said that the study picked 10 regions which involved three best performing regions (Geita, Dar es Salaam and Iringa), moderate performing regions (Mbeya, Mara and Coastal regions) as well poor performing regions (Songwe, Dodoma, Singida and Mtwara).

Dr Shukia also listed other factors which attributed to better performance as parental engagement with schools monitoring their children's school development and regional and districts locally established strategies to improve performance.

He also named cheating in examinations as among factors associated with better PSLE performance in some regions.

"During interviews with participants, some of them revealed that there were some schools which engage in examinations "malpractices" cheating to ensure that pupils in those regions, districts and schools perform better...this however needs more research," he noted.

He further said that parents discouraging their children from passing examinations also stand as among major reasons attributing to poor performance in national exami-

"The government should however improve teachers working conditions, pay teachers their dues and motivation to enhance their teaching effectiveness and efficiency," he as-

He further noted that children are the greatest assets and future leaders who should be nurtured well to be able to play meaningful roles in future.

Human-wildlife conflict threatens protected reserves in Eastern Africa

By Sarah Wild

EACH year, more than a million wildebeest migrate across the grassy of these protected areas, human populations are increasing and wild ecosystems are struggling to survive in the face of development. Understanding these pressures is crucial for protecting people and wildlife, and to curb illegal activities such as poaching.

"Outside the park, it is dramatic," said Professor Eivin Røskaft, an evolutionary biologist at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology and coordinator of a project called AfricanBioServices. "Where there are humans, there is almost no wildlife left."

This is not a unique case. Around the world, ecosystems are under threat and more than 1 million species face extinction, according to a report by the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystems Services, or IPBES, published in 2019.

One way to stave off biodiversity and habitat loss is to create protected areas. About 15% of land is included in the global protected area network, but in about one-third of that total area, humans and wildlife, or authorities protecting it, come into conflict: poachers kill wildlife, bordering communities let their livestock graze within the protected area, and government officials try to

But what is often lacking in these situations is data indicating where and what the problems are in order plains of the Serengeti National Park to address this conflict. Understandin Tanzania into Kenya's Masai Mara ing this could help find ways to pro-National Reserve. But on the borders tect ecosystems and meet people's needs.

> AfricanBioServices, a four-year project that ended in August 2019, aimed to understand what is happening in the Greater Serengeti-Mara ecosystem in eastern Africa. It produced more than 30 peer-reviewed papers, filling the previous data vac-

> "We looked at how human population growth and climate change, together, have an impact on the ecosystem, and what this means for the future," Prof. Røskaft said.

The research has not painted a pretty picture. In a paper published in Science, the international team showed that human activity at the edges of the Kenyan and Tanzanian protected areas had 'squeezed' migrating animals, such as wildebeest, into smaller areas, forcing them to graze on less-nutritious grass. By examining 40 years' worth of evidence, the team found that this had a knock-on effect throughout the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem: it reduced the amount of fuel available for the fires necessary to rejuvenate the ecosystem, damaged its ability to sequester carbon from the atmosphere, and made it more vulnerable to the effects of drought.



The migration routes of wildebeest are being squeezed by human activity.

consequences of the increased human pressures around the Serengeti-Mara ecosystem, information that is now urgently needed by policymakers and politicians," said Dr. Simon Mduma, director of the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute, at the time of publication.

Other articles published as part of the project looked at other changes within the ecosystem. For example, one paper investigated how water availability in the region will change under different climate change scenarios and highlighted the need for countries to work together to manage rivers in the future. Another looked at how road development altered people's livelihoods in the Greater Serengeti ecosystem. It found that better or new roads could lead to more cropland and cattle, putting greater pressure on the ecosystem, and may then increase illegal grazing in protected areas.

Apart from the papers, the research team also developed tools to gather data and engage policymak-

The Serengeti Animal Tracker app allows the "This paper provides important thousands of annual visitors to both the Serengeti scientific evidence of the far-ranging and the Masai Mara to track and record when and

where they saw animals and view a retrospective of their safari. The wildebeest movement data will be analysed by one of the participating institutions, the University of Glasgow in the UK, and eventually be made available to policymakers.

Another tool, ServiceScape, is specifically geared towards policymakers.

"ServiceScape is a game where you can look at different scenarios. It's a game for policymakers, so that they can see the results of their decisions," said Prof. Røskaft. "It shows, "If you continue doing this, this is the (resulting) scenario. If you do that, then this is the scenario."

However, his major recommendation for dealing with this human-wildlife conflict is to start with children. "First, send kids to school, and then start conservation training programmes and involve them," he said. "Don't make conservation the enemy. If these areas are to survive, we have to reduce this conflict in one way or another."

A four-day awareness-raising programme about carnivores, for instance, involving 355 primary school children led many of them to start seeing wild dogs as playing a key role in the ecosystem. the threat on national parks will increase."

Prof. Røskaft says he and his team now plan to run a year-long conservation training programme with children.

Reducing conflict is what concerns Dr. Freya St John, a conservation scientist at Bangor University in the UK who heads up a project called ConHuB. She wants to understand why people break the law and access or poach in protected areas, specifically in parks in Tanzania and in Indonesia. Poaching of animals, such as elephants, land clearing, and livestock grazing, for example, are illegal activities that threaten the protected ecosystems.

A common narrative in the media is that people poach because they are poor, she says, but there is little data to back that behaviour up. Someone may enter a park illegally, but this doesn't mean that their neighbour will, even if they both live in similar conditions.

Psychology

"We're trying to understand why people break rules," Dr. St John said. "That does include a lot of work drawing on criminal psychology." But while typical criminal psychology looks at people's engagement with a country's police force, the ConHuB team is applying it to how people who live on the borders of national parks engage with the park rangers and authorities.

However, these are not easy questions to ask when people fear getting handed over to the police.

"It is difficult to get data from people about rulebreaking," Dr. St John said.

To overcome this issue, the project is drawing on sensitive questioning methods, which protect respondents' privacy, to gather data on rule-breaking in protected parks in Tanzania and Indonesia.

Researchers will interview between 3,000 to 5,000 people who live near protected areas to find out why some people illegally access resources, while others don't. The project deliberately includes two very different locales.

Ultimately, 'the goal is to create a framework, using a variety of disciplines from psychology to criminology, to understand why people break rules, and then ultimately use that to inform policy," Dr. St John

This is also Prof. Røskaft's aim. Africa is the continent with the world's fastest population growth. "The pressure on natural resources is high, and people will start looking at national parks and ask, "Why protect animals when humans are suffering?"

"National parks are like islands, and are of no use while people are starving. Politicians wanting to be elected will promise to do something about it," he said. "In the future, with more and more pressure,

More psychologists needed to assist GBV survivors in Zanzibar

By Rahma Suleiman Zanzibar

DESPITE various interventions to address Gender-based violence (GBV), but cases has been increasing in Zanzibar, the situation that puts survivors in a catastrophic situation as most of them left unattended--without being supported psychologically as no counseling is made to the survivors, the situation that leads post-traumatic stress

disorder (PTSD) in women, with far-reaching implications in all aspects of their lives.

According to a mini-survey carried out in the Indian Ocean archipelago, many GBV survivors are traumatized by physical assaults and most of them are not given counseling due to limited number of psychosocial support experts and lack of information on the availability of the services.

For instance, at Mnazi Moja

Referral Hospital (MMH)'s Onestop-center there are only two psychosocial service providers to GVB survivors.

Per month, the facility get 100 survivors of GBV cases, the number is too high as compared to the service providers.

Community Development Officer at MMH's One-Stop-Centre, Suhaila Abdallah says they have been receiving a number of children who are victim of violence who lacks counseling

service. "Psychosocial counseling is among the vital services to GBV survivors, they need this education so as to help them heal their pain and remove from psychological torture," she says.

She calls on parents to send their children to the counseling centres for the kids' wellbeing and development.

"Most of the parents have been ending up revenging instead of helping their children to heal, we all know that GBV is painful and intolerable but whenever the case happens, spend time to help the survivors instead of revenging," she emphasizes. Halima Said, a representative from the Mwera Police Station (in-charge of gender desk) underscores the need for the government to increase the number of community social workers who would play a big

role in counseling. She also cites poor coopera-

tion from the victim's family and relatives as among the challenges which hinders GBV case development.

According to her, most of the parents end up negotiating with suspects of violence thus ruining the whole case.

"For example, despite taking all the needed efforts to ensure that a child who is a victim of rape gets his/her right, parents fail us by not showing coopera-

tion," she says.

shortage of important equipment to investigating some GBV cases as a big challenge.

The official also mentions

Another social work officer from Kivunge Hospital Mussa Haji Kesi says most of the victims also have been quitting attending the counseling services. Sabra Ali, Unguja West District social welfare officer emphasizes that counseling services to GBV survivors were inevitable for the country's wellbeing.

FEATURE

Surgical care saves lives, but needs political prioritisation and improved health systems

By Kathryn Chu

HEALTH system, also sometimes referred to as health care system or as healthcare system, is the organisation of people, institutions, and resources that deliver health care services to meet the health needs of target popu-

There is a wide variety of health systems around the world, with as many histories and organizational structures as there are nations. Implicitly, nations must design and develop health systems in accordance with their needs and resources, although common elements in virtually all health systems are primary healthcare and public health measures. [1] In some countries, health system planning is distributed among market participants. In others, there is a concerted effort among governments, trade unions, charities, religious organizations, or other co-ordinated bodies to deliver planned health care services targeted to the populations they serve. However, health care planning has been described as often evolutionary rather than revolutionary. As with other social institutional structures, health systems are likely to reflect the history, culture and economics of the states in which they evolve. These peculiarities bedevil and complicate international comparisons and preclude any universal standard of performance.

The World Health Organization (WHO), the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system, is promoting a goal of universal health care: to ensure that all people obtain the health services they need without suffering financial hardship when paying for them. According to WHO, healthcare systems' goals are good health for the citizens, responsiveness to the expectations of the population, and fair means of funding operations. Progress towards them depends on how systems carry out four vital functions: provision of health care services, resource generation, financing, and stewardship.[4] Other dimensions for the evaluation of health systems include quality, efficiency, acceptability, and equity.[2] They have also been described in the United States as "the five C's": Cost, Coverage, Consistency, Complexity, and Chronic Illness.[5] Also, continuity of health care is a major goal.[6]

Definitions

Often health system has been defined with a reductionist perspective, for example reducing it to healthcare system. In many publications, for example, both expressions are used interchangeably. Some authors[7] have developed arguments to expand the



concept of health systems, indicating additional dimensions that should be considered:

- Health systems should not be expressed in terms of their components only, but also of their interrelationships
- Health systems should include not only the institutional or supply side of the health system, but also the population;
- Health systems must be seen in terms of their goals, which include not only health improvement, but also equity, responsiveness to legitimate expectations, respect of dignity, and fair financing, among others;
- Health systems must also be defined in terms of their functions, including the direct provision of services, whether they are medical or public health services, but also "other enabling functions, such as stewardship, financing, and resource generation, including what is probably the most complex of all challenges, the health workforce."[7]

The World Health Organization defines health systems as follows:

A health system consists of all organizations, people and actions whose primary intent is to promote, restore or maintain health. This includes efforts to influence determinants of health as well as more direct health-improving activities. A health system is therefore more than the pyramid of publicly owned facilities that deliver personal health services. It includes, for example, a mother caring for a sick child at home; private

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providers; behaviour change health.

Healthcare providers are institutions or individuals providing healthcare services. Individuals including health professionals and allied health professions can be self-employed or working as an employee in a hospital, clinic, or other health care institution, whether government operated, private for-profit, or private not-for-profit (e.g. nongovernmental organization). direct patient care such as in a government health department or other agency, medical laboratory, or health training institution. Examples of health workers are doctors, nurses, midwives, dietitians, paramedics, dentists, medical laboratory technologists, therapists, psychologists, pharmacists, chiropractors, optometrists, community health workers, traditional medicine practitioners, and others.

Financial resources There are generally five primary methods of funding health

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programmes; vector-control campaigns; health insurance organizations; occupational health and safety legislation. It includes inter-sectoral action by health staff, for example, encouraging the ministry of education to promote female education, a well known determinant of better

- general taxation to the state, county or municipality national health insur-
- voluntary or private
- health insurance out-of-pocket pay-
- ments donations to charities

Most countries' systems feature a mix of all five models. One study based on data from the OECD concluded that all types of health care finance "are compatible with" an efficient health system. The study also found no relationship between financing

and cost control. The term health insurance is generally used to describe a form of insurance that pays for medical expenses. It is sometimes used more broadly to include insurance covering dis-They may also work outside of ability or long-term nursing or ment rates. custodial care needs. It may be provided through a social insurance program, or from private insurance companies. It may be obtained on a group basis (e.g., by a firm to cover its employees) or purchased by individual consumers. In each case premiums or taxes protect the insured from high or unexpected health care expenses.

By estimating the overall cost of health care expenses, a routine finance structure (such as a monthly premium or annual tax) can be developed, ensuring that money is available to pay for the health care benefits specified in the insurance agreement. The benefit is typically administered by a government agency, a non-profit health fund or a commercial corporation.

Many commercial health insurers control their costs by restricting the benefits provided, by such means as deductibles, co-payments. coinsurance, policy exclusions, and total coverage limits. They will also severely restrict or refuse coverage of pre-existing conditions. Many government schemes also have co-payment schemes but express exclusions are rare or limited because of political pressure. The larger insurance schemes may also negotiate fees with providers.

Many forms of social insurance schemes control their costs by using the bargaining power of the community they are intended to serve to control costs in the health care delivery system. They may attempt to do so by, for example, negotiating drug prices directly with pharmaceutical companies, negotiating standard fees with the medical profession, or reducing unnecessary health care costs. Social schemes sometimes feature contributions related to earnings as part of a scheme to

deliver universal health care, which may or may not also involve the use of commercial and non-commercial insurers. Essentially the wealthier users pay proportionately more into the scheme to cover the needs of the poorer users who therefore contribute proportionately less. There are usually caps on the contributions of the wealthy and minimum payments that must be made by the insured (often in the form of a minimum contribution, similar to a deductible in

commercial insurance models). In addition to these traditional health care financing methods, some lower income countries and development partners are also implementing non-traditional or innovative financing mechanisms for scaling up delivery and sustainability of health care,[12] such as microcontributions, public-private partnerships, and market-based financial transaction taxes. For example, as of June 2011, UNI-TAID had collected more than one billion dollars from 29 member countries, including several from Africa, through an air ticket solidarity levy to expand access to care and treatment for HIV/ AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria in 94 countries.

Payment models

In most countries, wage costs for healthcare practitioners are estimated to represent between 65 per cent and 80 per cent of renewable health system expenditures. There are three ways to pay medical practitioners: fee for service, capitation, and salary. There has been growing interest in blending elements of these systems.

Fee-for-service

Fee-for-service arrangements pay general practitioners (GPs) based on the service. They are even more widely used for specialists working in ambulatory

There are two ways to set fee levels:

By individual practitioners.

Central negotiations (as in Japan, Germany, Canada and in France) or hybrid model (such as in Australia, France's sector 2, and New Zealand) where GPs can charge extra fees on top of standardized patient reimburse-

Capitation

In capitation payment systems, GPs are paid for each patient on their "list", usually with adjustments for factors such as age and gender. According to OECD, "these systems are used in Italy (with some fees), in all four countries of the United Kingdom (with some fees and allowances for specific services), Austria (with fees for specific services), Denmark (one third of income with remainder fee for service), Ireland (since 1989), the Netherlands (fee-for-service for privately insured patients and public employees) and Sweden (from 1994). Capitation payments have become more frequent in "managed care" environments in the United States."

According to OECD, 'Capitation systems allow funders to control the overall level of primary health expenditures, and the allocation of funding among GPs is determined by patient registrations. However, under this approach, GPs may register too many patients and underserve them, select the better risks and refer on patients who could have been treated by the GP directly. Freedom of consumer choice over doctors, coupled with the principle of "money following the patient" may moderate some of these risks. Aside from selection, these problems are likely to be less marked than under salary-type arrange-

Salary arrangements

In several OECD countries, general practitioners (GPs) are employed on salaries for the government. According to OECD, "Salary arrangements allow funders to control primary care costs directly; however, they may lead to under-provision of services (to ease workloads), excessive referrals to secondary providers and lack of attention to the preferences of patients." There has been movement away from this system.

Value-Based Care

In recent years, providers have been switching from feefor-service payment models to a value-based care payment system, where they are compensated for providing value to patients. In this system, providers are given incentives to close gaps in care and provide better quality care for patients.

Information resources Sound information plays an increasingly critical role in the delivery of modern health care and efficiency of health systems. Health informatics - the intersection of information science, medicine and healthcare - deals with the resources, devices, and methods required to optimize the acquisition and use of information in health and biomedicine. Necessary tools for proper health information coding and management include clinical guidelines, formal medical terminologies, and computers and other information and communication technologies. The kinds of health data processed may include patients' medical records, hospital administration and clinical functions, and human resources information.

The use of health information lies at the root of evidence-based policy and evidence-based management in health care. Increasingly, information and communication technologies are being utilised to improve health systems in developing countries through: the standardisation of health information; computeraided diagnosis and treatment monitoring; informing population groups on health and treatment.

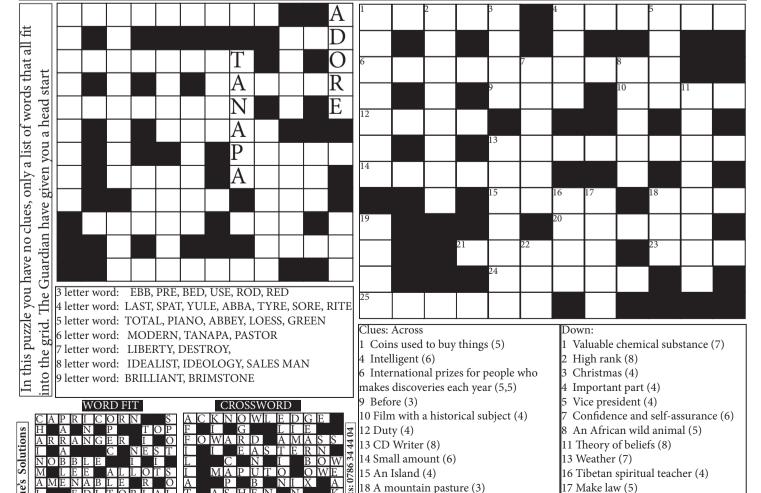
Management

The management of any health system is typically directed through a set of policies and plans adopted by government, private sector business and other groups in areas such as personal healthcare delivery and financing, pharmaceuticals, health human resources, and public health.

Public health is concerned with threats to the overall health of a community based on population health analysis. The population in question can be as small as a handful of people, or as large as all the inhabitants of several continents (for instance, in the case of a pandemic). Public health is typically divided into epidemiology, biostatistics and health services. Environmental, social, behavioral, and occupational health are also important subfields.

Today, most governments recognize the importance of public health programs in reducing the incidence of disease, disability, the effects of ageing and health inequities, although public health generally receives significantly less government funding compared with medicine. For example, most countries have a vaccination policy, supporting public health programs in providing vaccinations to promote health. Vaccinations are voluntary in some countries and mandatory in some countries. Some governments pay all or part of the costs for vaccines in a national vaccination schedule.

The rapid emergence of many chronic diseases, which require costly long-term care and treatment, is making many health managers and policy makers re-examine their healthcare delivery practices. An important health issue facing the world currently is HIV/AIDS. Another major public health concern is diabetes. In 2006, according to the World Health Organization, at least 171 million people worldwide suffered from diabetes. Its incidence is increasing rapidly, and it is estimated that by the year 2030, this number will double. A controversial aspect of public health is the control of tobacco smoking, linked to cancer and other chronic illnesses.



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DC counsels Bariadi SMEs on standards adherence

By Correspondent Felix Andrew

BARIADI District Commissioner, Festo Kiswaga has urged small and medium entrepreneurs (SMEs) to use education awareness campaign on standards to improve their goods in order to access more market.

The DC was speaking over the weekend in Bariadi, Simiyu Region at a sensitization seminar on standards which was organized by Tanzania Bureau of Standards in collaboration with other organizations.

The event attracted more than 80 SMEs who are dealing with production, processing, distribution and sales of food and cosmetics products from Bariadi District.

He said standards adherence plays a crucial role for the SMEs to access market urging them to apply knowledge gained to improve their goods.

"I urge all SMEs who have attended the training, use it to improve your goods so that it can access local and foreign markets," he insisted.

Speaking earlier TBS Acting Director of Quality Management, Hamis Sudi urged participants to use the seminar as a change agent in their activities.

He said they have been impressed with the number of SMEs who turned up in the seminar which targeted producers and processors of food and other goods.

"TBS would continue to conduct such seminars for entrepreneurs it is much better to attend and listen attentively to what we will be saying," he said

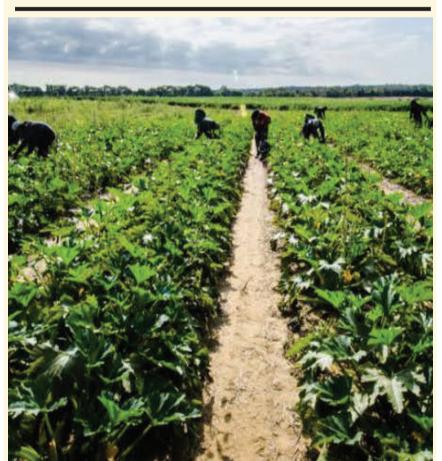
According to him, the organization has brought specialists who had delivered various topics in collaboration with other institutions such as Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO)

Sudi said TBS would continue providing education to Tanzanians the main objective is to build a collective understanding on issues regarding standards and quality of locally manufactured goods or imported from abroad.

He said the awareness training would enable SMEs to understand procedures to be followed in order to avoid challenges in certification.

He informed them on the changes of Financial Act 2019 which has given the TBS new roles of registering food selling buildings and cosmetics which were earlier conducted by the former Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA)

He noted that TBS is compelled to continue educate SMEs on the new changes and reduce or alleviate confusion regarding registration of food and cosmetics products.



Young entrepreneurs at work in a vegetables farm. File photo.

Govt to use agriculture sector to ease youth unemployment

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

THE government has decided to use the agricultural sector to solve challenges over youth employment since agriculture is always considered as optional after normal employment become hard to come by.

This was expressed by Deputy Minister of state in the Prime Minister's Office (Labour, Youth and Employment Anthony Mavunde when handing over passports to 12 youth, members of Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) cooperative wing - the Graduate Entrepreneurs Cooperative (SUGECO) - who had received sponsorship for practical training in agriculture in the United States.

Mavunde said his ministry is always close to SUA by cooperating with it in solving unemployment challenges for youths in the agricultural sector adding that as of now the government plan is to ensure 40 percent of 24.3 get employment in the agricultural sector.

He said government's goals is to ensure that by 2025 40 percent of the country's labour force is employed in

the agro-industry related with farming, livestock keeping, and forestry as this will push up demand for raw materials from these subsectors.

He also said Morogoro is among the regions that has been doing well in agriculture by allocating land areas for farming activities whereas some youths who graduated at SUA are provided with land for rice farming and already they have earned more than 100m/-. He added that the government is in talks with the region's government

to increase land area for them.

He also advised financial institutions to ease loan conditions for youths and praised Equity Bank for enabling the 12 youths get loans for air tickets to the US.

Director of SUGECO Revocatus Kimaro said the 12 youths will travel to the US to do practical studies in agriculture, and are part of 16 youths for this year's intake as four are already in the US.

He said the programme started in 2018, and for 2018-19 75 youths received similar sponsorship and by January this year a total of 876 youths received similar sponsorship.

Minister Kairuki calls upon investors to register with Tanzania Investment Centre

By Guardian Correspondent,

INISTER of State in the Prime Minister Office (investment)
Angellah Kairuki has called on investors to register with Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC) to benefit from various investment opportunities including tax services.

Winding her seven-day visit in Coast Region over the weekend, Kairuki (pictured) said for the investor to register with TIC has a lot benefits and that in her visits to many regions showed that most of challenges investors face were a result of not registering at the centre.

"I had seven days tour of the region to inspect investment activities, many of the challenges that are facing investors would have been solved by now but the problem is that they are not known to TIC. I call upon both local and foreign investors to register with TIC to benefit from various services including issues related to taxation," she said.

Kairuki pointed out that despite the fact that investment who are not registered are lacking information on various prerequisite to ensure that the government achieves its objective of middle income and in-

register with TIC, it's of a benefit to them since they could access to lots of information suitable for their business ven-

"There are some investors who have registered themselves with TIC, they are really benefiting from various technical and legal advices, those who are not registered are lacking information on various matters related to investment opportunities available in the country," she stressed.

In another development, Kairuki pointed out that the government would continue to improve infrastructure which was key in connecting investors with markets and a prerequisite to ensure that the government achieves its objective of middle income and industrial economy come 2025. "The government is com-

mitted to improve investment environment especially by connecting investors to market places in a bid to speed up drive towards achieving the middle income and industrial economy come 2025," she said.

She also reiterated the need by authorities in villages, districts and regions

countrywide to allocate land for investment purposes and stimulate growth and development of investments

"There is a problem to find areas especially land for investment, I call upon regions, districts and even villages' to put aside areas/land for investment to speed up investments flow," she said.

She said the fifth phase government under John Magufuli was committed to remove all snags frustrating business and investment growth in the country in a bid to achieve the government's resolve of turning Tanzania into middle income and industrial economy by 2025.

She elaborated further that a foreign investor is not allowed to own a land but rather he or she can access the land through a lease from TIC

Minister Kairuki's tour in the region was aimed inspecting and listening challenges investors face and look solutions for them. She also stressed the need for investors to comply with tax regulations.

NEMC nabs butchery owners over banned plastic bags

By Guardian Correspondent,

THE National Environment Management Council (NEMC) in collaboration with Police, has made an impromptu inspection of butcheries in Mbeya Region and nabbed 10 owners thereof who were packing the meat they sell in the banned plastic bags.

The operation was conducted at the weekend in various

areas of Mbeya city during which the Manager for Southern Highlands Zone Arnold Mapinduzi said they also visited Mbalizi Town in Mbeya District.

"We shall continue making the unannounced operations as when some butcheries owners heard of the ongoing exercise the hid the banned bags, but we know them and we shall continue to make such visits until we are satisfied the use of the bags have ceased," Mapinduzi said.

He called upon the wananchi to avoid using the banned bags as of now it is an offence according to the law, and added that they were still making a follow up to know the source(s) of the banned bags and warned that whoever will be found to be manufacturing them stern step will be taken against them.

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asked the government authorities administering the ban to educate the wananchi to identify the bags for packing goods and those for carrying the said

One butchery owner - Japhet Samson said the bags found with them were the soft nylon bags for packing goods and these were being sold in public no doubt because the sellers do not know they no longer in use, hence asked the govern-

goods.

ment to educate them.

He said some of the items they sell require to be packaged in bags that cannot let out liquid hence they decided to use the soft nylon bags.

The Chairman of Sokomatola market in the city Peter Mwalingo told traders to stop using the banned plastic bags to avoid friction with authorities

According to NEMC the traders who were found wit

Telecom subscribers now to call networks at cheap rates through 'Ujanjani' promo

By Guardian Reporter

TIGO has unveiled 'Ujanjani' promotion aimed to offer more value than before for its customers as they can now call networks at cheap rates.

All voice packages offer absolute freedom to call any network at the same tariff hence customers can now buy any of the voice, data or combo packages and enjoy the benefits at affordable and competitive prices.

All packages have been enriched with more talk time, SMS and internet data. The new portfolio comes with a suite of weekly and monthly packages that offer customers the smartest choices to stay connected all the time through voice & data by giving them more value for less money.

The unveiling of the service compliments the Tanzanian government's efforts in ensuring that making calls across all networks in Tanzania is affordable and gives customers the assurance to enjoy a better internet experience on the biggest 4G+ network in the country.

Speaking during the launch, Tigo's acting Chief Commercial Officer, David Umoh said the new package will liberate and connect the customers more with their loved ones across the country.

"We are introducing this service under the campaign dubbed 'Ujanjani' which loosely translates to the smart thing is to take advantage of these new offers from Tigo to get the best value for money across Tanzania," Umoh said.

"For the first time, over 12 million Tigo customers will no longer have to worry about the inconvenience of buying on-net and off-net packages to make calls on different networks in Tanzania. Our new packs liberates voice calls to any network in Tanzania. This further demonstrates our efforts in being the network that gives more value to our customers while they experience our innovative services," added Umoh

"We also call upon our customers to subscribe to our super rich and affordable weekly and monthly combo packages(data+voice+SMS), that add more value to the market. The weekly and monthly packages last longer compared to daily packages, and at the same time saves the customers money," he explained.



A complex where Tigo is headquartered in Dar es Salaam. File photo

US senator slams Tesla's 'misleading' name for firm's Autopilot driver assistance system

WASHINGTON

A U.S. senator on Friday urged Tesla Inc to rebrand its driver assistance system Autopilot, saying it has "an inherently misleading name" and is subject to potentially dangerous misuse.

But Tesla said in a letter that it had taken steps to ensure driver engagement with the system and enhance its safety features.

The electric automaker introduced new warnings for red lights and stop signs last year "to minimize the potential risk of red light- or stop sign-running as a result of temporary driver inattention," Tesla said in the letter.

Senator Edward Markey said he believed the potential dangers of Autopilot can be overcome. But he called for "rebranding and remarketing the system to reduce misuse, as well as building backup driver monitoring tools that will make sure no one falls asleep at the wheel."

Markey's comments came in a press release, with a copy of a Dec. 20 from Tesla addressing some of the Democratic senator's concerns at-

Autopilot has been engaged in at least three Tesla vehicles involved in fatal U.S. crashes since

Crashes involving Autopilot have raised questions about the driver-assistance system's ability to detect hazards, especially stationary objects.

There are mounting safety concerns globally about systems that can perform driving tasks for extended stretches of time with little or no human intervention, but which cannot completely replace human drivers.

Markey cited videos of Tesla drivers who appeared to fall asleep behind the wheel while using Autopilot, and others in which drivers said they could defeat safeguards by sticking a banana or water bottle in the steering wheel to make it appear they were in control of the vehicle.

Tesla, in its letter, said its revisions to steering wheel monitoring meant that in most situations "a limp hand on the wheel from a sleepy driver will not work, nor will the coarse hand pressure of a person with impaired motor controls, such as a drunk driver."

It added that devices "marketed to trick Autopilot, may be able to trick the system for a short time, but generally not for an entire trip before Autopilot disengages.

Tesla also wrote that while videos like those cited by Markey showed "a few bad actors who are grossly abusing Autopilot" they represented only "a very small percentage of our customer base."

Earlier this month, the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) said it was launching an investigation into a 14th crash involving Tesla in which it suspects Autopilot or other advanced driver assistance system was in use.

NHTSA is probing a Dec. 29 fatal crash of a Model S Tesla in Gardena, California. In that incident, the vehicle exited the 91 Freeway, ran a red light and struck a 2006 Honda Civic, killing its two oc-

The National Transportation Safety Board will hold a Feb. 25 hearing to determine the probable cause of a 2018 fatal Tesla Autopilot crash in Mountain View, California.

EU plans more protectionist antitrust rules, data sharing in policy shake-up

BRUSSELS

EU plans to adopt more undermining protectionist antitrust rules and encourage businesses to share data as part of an industrial policy overhaul aimed at giving European companies a sharper edge in global markets, a strategy document seen by Reuters

Commission and set to strategy also includes the more aggressive use of trade defense instruments against companies deemed to be benefiting unfairly from foreign subsidies.

"Our vision is not about shielding uncompetitive industries or encouraging protectionist policies. At the

same time, the EU cannot be complacent about third countries or companies

competition in the single market on global markets," the document said. "This strategy sets the

contours of a new and assertive industrial policy what will enable the EU to remain a global economic power," it added. Numerous EU countries

Drafted by the European and companies have called for Brussels to adopt be unveiled in March, the a more ambitious and strategic industrial policy, complaining that others are able to take advantage of Europe's open markets without being subjected to the same rules.

> That argument was cited by German conglomerate Siemens and French rival Alstom `in their failed bid



European Union flags fly outside the European Commission headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. File photo.

to gain EU antitrust approval to create a European rail champion last year.

Under the new policy blueprint, the Commission will evaluate and review EU competition rules to ensure that they are fit for purpose and contribute to a strong in a push to get companies to European industry at home and in the world.

In light of the growing data economy, the new policy envisions setting up a legal framework to facilitate the use, access to and sharing of data

embrace artificial intelligence

and blockchain technology. It will also promote more "Important Projects of Common European Interest (IPCEI)", building on the success of an 8-billion-euro

battery project involving seven EU countries and 17 European companies approved last year.

Such alliances are foreseen in clean hydrogen technologies and low-carbon industries as well as in microelectronics, the paper said.

The new strategy warns foreign governments against unfairly shoring up their companies while restricting access to their markets, with the EU ready to use existing tools or create new ones if necessary, and also reinforcing customs controls.

"The EU will mobilize all relevant tools including rule-making, standards, international financial instruments, trade agreements, public procurement and intellectual property rights to leverage its strengths and advantages," the document said.

SAA pilot base in Cape Town safe for now

CAPE TOWN

BUSINESS rescue practitioners have, at least for the moment, put a moratorium on any plans to close South African Airways' Cape Town pilot base.

Captain Grant Back, chairperson of the SAA Pilots' Association told the press over the weekend that SAA had been intending to close its pilot base in Cape Town. SAAPA had protested against this to SAA management last year, as the airline's own figures showed that closing the Cape Town base would not guarantee savings for SAA.

With SAA sticking to its guns, whilst keeping the cabin crew base open, the pilots appealed against what they regarded as an "illogical" decision.

SAAPA, therefore, recommended to the airline's business rescue practitioners that any closure would be premature until an independent check of the SAA decision was undertaken and the final plan on the restructuring was completed, according to Back.

"The BRPs have therefore, for now, put a moratorium on closing the Cape Town base. It would only be considered once the business rescue plan has been submitted," said Back.

He explained that closing the Cape Town pilot base would mean that pilots flying very early flights out of and very late flights into Cape Town would result in far higher hotel costs for SAA as Johannesburg-based crew would have to overnight in Cape Town.

"Having pilot bases away from a main base is common practice around the world and Mango, Airlink and SA Express all have a Cape Town Pilot base," said Back.

He added that SAAPA has had some very positive engagements with the BRPs. Back said that the two most critical steps needed are for R2bn in financing to come through and for SAA to bring in experienced, capable and qualified management to restore passenger confidence and enable the rescue to succeed.

Earlier on Friday it was confirmed that SAA is able to pay employees' salaries for January, news that was met with relief after concerns that this would not be possible.



An SAA pilot as captured over the weekend. File photo.

Autopax unable to pay employees full January salaries



Buses were stoned as minibus taxi drivers continued to protest against the introduction of the Autopax bus service in the Mamelodi area, east of Pretoria. Three buses were damaged. File photo.

JOHANNESBERG

Autopax, the operator of Translux and City to City **Today we will** buses, won't be able to pay unfortunately not be its employees full salaries for **able to meet the full** January, according a notice salary obligations for issued to staff.

The company blamed the

"Today we will unfortunately **pay you 50** not be able to meet the full salary obligations for the month of January, and have managed.... to collect some funds from fare revenue to pay you 50% of what is due to you," read the notice seen by Fin24. The balance will be paid at a date not yet confirmed, it said.

entity which was last month

the month of January, and have managed.... challenges" which impacted to collect some funds from fare revenue to

> placed under administration, amid claims of corruption and maladministration which threatened its viability.

week, Minister Fikile Mbalula, whose department is responsible for Prasa, described the company Prasa is a subsidiary of as a "broken organisation, Passenger Rail agency of South struggling to provide an efficient Africa (Prasa), a state-owned commuter and passenger rail service".

The Auditor-General's 2019 report found that the company regressed in its audit outcomes for 2018/19, and as much as R27.2bn was flagged as irregular expenditure.

The notice stated that Prasa and the Department of Transport were seized with turning around Autopax, in order to make it a functioning business. The bus company has joined a growing number of struggling state-owned entities, whose financial woes have threatened the payment of staff salaries.

This month, the Nuclear Energy Corporation of South Africa (NECSA) scrambled to meet January salaries, as cash flow challenges worsened. There were also fears that SAA, which is undergoing business rescue, would not be able to pay its workforce, but the problem was later resolved.

Boeing's 777X jetliner successfully completes maiden flight

SEATTLE

successfully staged the first flight of world's largest twin-engined jetliner on Saturday in a respite from the crisis over its smallest model, the grounded 737 MAX.

The 777X, a larger version of the 777 mini-jumbo, touched down at the historic Boeing Field outside Seattle at 2 pm (2200 GMT) after a debut which began almost four hours earlier at Boeing's revamped widebody assembly lines north of the city.

The decision to take advantage of a gap in clouds to start the months of testing needed before the jet can carry passengers came after two attempts had to be postponed due to high winds.

"It's a proud day for us," said the chief executive Boeing's commercial airplane unit, Stan Deal.

the 252-foot-long



A Boeing 777X airplane takes off during its first test flight from the company's plant in Everett, Washington, U.S. File photo.

aircraft - the longest commercial jet by a whisker was grounded last year.

drew to a halt before waiting VIPs, rows of undelivered 737 MAX stood idle nearby in a reminder of the crisis that has engulfed Boeing since it

"It made all of our Boeing and will officially

be called 777-9, but is employees proud one more time of who we are and better known under its what we get to do, by flying development codename, a brand new airplane that is going to change the world Hallmarks include folding

one more time," Deal said.

wingtips - designed to allow The aircraft is the larger its carbon wings to fit the of two versions planned by same parking bays as earlier models - and the world's

largest commercial engines from General Electric, wide enough to swallow a 737 MAX fuselage.

While eyeing hundreds of sales this decade, Boeing's new 406-seater must overcome hurdles from regulators and buyers.

The 777X will be the first major aircraft to be certified since the role of software flaws in two fatal 737 MAX crashes prompted accusations of cosy relations between Boeing and the Federal

Aviation Administration and

heralded tougher scrutiny.

The FAA has pledged to ensure the 777X review is conducted rigorously, while launch customer Emirates wants the plane to be put through "hell on Earth" during testing to ensure it is safe and meets performance expectations.

Boeing's chief test pilot, who co-piloted Saturday's sortie, said it would work closely with regulators.

"We are going to follow the normal processes we always follow and work with the FAA and they are going to work hand-in-hand with us," Craig Bomben told reporters.

'We took the time to get the airplane ready for flight test so I think we are going to march through flight tests successfully and quickly and get it certified to the FAA standards.'

The 777X is expected to enter service in 2021, a year later than originally scheduled because development snags.

It will compete with the Airbus A350-1000 which seats about 360 passengers. Big twinjets are steadily displacing the older fourengined Boeing 747 and soon-to-be-axed A380.

Yet experts cite worries about wide-body demand due to overcapacity and economic weakness. Airlines canceled more than twice as many big jets as they ordered last year, according to Rob Morris, consultancy chief at UK-based Ascend by Cirium.

While Boeing says it has sold 309 777X - worth \$442 million each at list prices many in the industry have questioned its dependence on Middle East carriers who are scaling back orders.

"Longer-term, they'll need more than those guys for that airplane. They'll need the big network carriers to find routes that it works on," said Aengus Kelly, chief executive of leasing giant AerCap.

New US curb on Huawei in limbo amidst pushback from Pentagon

WASHINGTON

THE U.S. Commerce Department has withdrawn a rule aimed at further reducing sales to China's Huawei Technologies amid concerns from the Defense Department the move would harm U.S. businesses, people familiar with the matter said.

The decision to pull the rule from the formal review process leaves its future in jeopardy and highlights deep divides within the Trump administration over how best to approach the blacklisted telecoms giant and the broader war with China over technological dominance.

President Donald Trump's administration plans a Cabinet-level meeting next week to discuss the rule, which could be revived, killed or rewritten, one of the sources said, amid pushback from the U.S. Treasury Department as well.

A Commerce Department representative said "if and when" the agency has something to announce, "we will do so." Huawei declined to comment. The Pentagon and Treasury did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Commerce in May placed Huawei on a trade blacklist, citing national security concerns. That allowed the U.S. government to restrict sales of American-made goods to the company and a small number of items made abroad that contain U.S. technology.

Under current regulations, key foreign supply chains remain beyond the reach of U.S. authorities, fueling frustration among China hawks within the administration and a push to expand U.S. authority to block more shipments to Huawei.

It was reported in November that the Commerce Department was considering broadening the rule that dictates how much American content in a foreign-made product gives the U.S. government authority to regu-

The United States, under current conditions, can require a license or block the export of many high-tech products shipped to China from other countries, if U.S.-made components make up more than 25 per cent of the value.

Commerce drafted a rule that would lower the threshold only on exports to Huawei to 10% and expand the purview to include nontechnical goods like consumer electronics including non-sensitive chips.

The draft rule was then sent to the Office of Management and Budget, where agencies, including the Department of Defense, were given until Wednesday to submit comments, one of the people said. When the Pentagon expressed disagreement with the proposal, Commerce pulled it out of the review process in an unusual move. U.S. businesses have pushed back against

the measure, arguing that enabling the government to regulate more sales to Huawei to include low-tech items made overseas with very little U.S. technology would end up needlessly hurting American companies while encouraging Huawei to source more goods abroad.

But many in Congress and the Trump administration have criticized the Commerce Department for not doing more to thwart Huawei, and for its slow rollout of rules to limit exports of sophisticated technology to

Senators Tom Cotton, Ben Sasse and Marco Rubio, all Republicans on the Select Committee on Intelligence, wrote to Defense Secretary Mark Esper to demand a rationale for the departments reported objections.

"Huawei is an arm of the Chinese Communist Party and should be treated as such. It is difficult to imagine that, at the height of the Cold War, the Department of Defense would condone American companies contracting with KGB subsidiaries because Moscow offered a discount.

We are concerned that the Defense Department is not appropriately weighing the risks," the lawmakers wrote in the letter.

Separately, Cotton said he was "deeply troubled" by the reports.

They additionally asked how the Defense Department's position affected its efforts to stop allies from using Huawei in their networks and asked for a briefing on the matter within 60 days.



Huawei's first global flagship store is pictured in Shenzhen, Guangdong province, China. File photo.

MONDAY - FRIDAY STARTING 7:30 PM Chetu ni chetu 20:00 Kumekucha Sports Gazette Habari Chetu ni chetu 7:00

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WORLD

Trump lawyers offer surprisingly un-Trumpy defence to impeachment

WASHINGTON

JUST before his lawyers stepped into the U.S. Senate to begin their argument that he should not be removed from office, President Donald Trump offered a preview of sorts.

Americans should turn on their televisions, he wrote on Twitter, and watch the attorneys make "our case against" his political antagonists, who he listed with a series of taunting nick-

What those who tuned in saw was something quite different.

When Trump's legal team launched his defense at his impeachment trial on Saturday, they outlined a case far removed from his all-caps claims of a perfect phone call with his Ukrainian counterpart and denunciations of his political foes.

Instead they focused largely on what they cast as glaring holes in Democrats' argument that Trump should be removed from office for his efforts to secure politically beneficial investigations from Ukraine's government, and argued that the allegations against Trump did not justify ousting him in

"We don't believe they have come anywhere close to meeting their burden for what they're asking you to do," White House counsel Pat Cipollone, the head of Trump's defense attorneys, told lawmakers on Saturday.

The defense his team outlined was more subdued and sober than what Trump's lawyers, his political allies and certainly he himself has presented in the past. Whether that will continue when the trial resumes on Monday is anyone's guess, but their tone and engagement with the merits of the case that the Democrats have tried to build did not go unnoticed by some of the lawmakers who will decide whether Trump remains in office.

Democratic Senator Tom Carper of Delaware told reporters he "came expecting that the Republicans would come out all guns blazing and fire and brimstone, and I think they got a message from some of their Republican brethren that that would not be help-

He said he thought the presentation was aimed at a handful of modbreak with their party and vote to let



President Donald Trump

closest aides to testify for the first time about the president's conduct.

'LOW-KEY, SPECIFIC' AND 'SOLEMN'

Trump has at times issued a much higher-decibel defense, declaring on Twitter that he "GOT IMPEACHED FOR MAKING A PERFECT PHONE CALL" and urging people to "READ THE TRAN-

Trump's lawyers still struck some of his favorite notes, accusing Democrats pressing for his removal of trying to "cancel an election," casting him as the victim of a succession of politically motivated investigations brought only to tarnish his presidency, and seeking to discredit Representative Adam Schiff, the lawmaker leading the impeachment effort. Cipollone said on Saturday that Democrats were "here to perpetrate the most massive interference in an election in American history."

Senator Lamar Alexander, a Republican, said Trump's lawyers "were low-key, specific and I thought they were persuasive." Republican Senator Shelley Moore Capito said "it was pretty solemn, too, which I appreciated."

The Democratic-led House of Representatives erate Republican senators who could impeached Trump in December on two charges, abuse of power for pressuring Ukraine to inves-Democrats summon some of Trump's tigate former Vice President Joe Biden, a leading

contender to challenge Trump this year, and obstruction of Congress for his efforts to impede the House investigation. The charges center on claims by administration officials that Trump pressed for the investigations using nearly \$400 million in security aid and a coveted White House visit as leverage.

The Democratic lawmakers serving as prosecutors in the trial spent three days last week mapping the case against Trump, drawing on documents and testimony from administration officials about Trump's efforts to secure investigations into the Bidens and a discredited conspiracy theory about the 2016 election.

Trump's lawyers sought to chip away at that evidence on Saturday, pointing out that most of the witnesses who testified that Trump tried to trade government acts for political benefits never interacted with him directly. They also highlighted statements from Ukrainian officials who said they did not feel under any pressure.

And they sought to poke holes in some of the more powerful evidence against Trump, including testimony from the ambassador to the European Union, Gordon Sondland, who said he supposed that a holdup in security aid was connected to Trump's desire for investigations.

Putin, Netanyahu unveil monument to Leningrad siege defenders in Jerusalem **JERUSALEM**

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu have unveiled a Memorial Candle monument in downtown Jerusalem on Thursday honoring the heroic feat of defenders and residents of besieged Leningrad in the Second World War, TASS reports.

The monument was erected in Sacher Park located close to Israel's Foreign Ministry buildings, Supreme Court and Knesset (parliament).

Two symbols are on the eight-meter stele: the St. Petersburg one is a Bronze horseman and the silhouette of the Peter and Paul Fortress in the sight of enemy guns, and the Israeli one is the Star of David with a Menorah in the center, entangled with barbed wire, symbolizing concentration

Another semantic element of the monument is the image of the besieged swallow – a symbol of the fortitude and hope of Leningraders. At the top of the stele is a bronze component symbolizing the flame of a candle.

A capsule is laid in the monument's foundation containing ground from St. Petersburg's Piskarvovskove Memorial Cemetery where 490,000 residents and defenders of Leningrad with tens of thousands of Jews among them are buried. The stela is created by St. Petersburg's and Israeli architects. It was the initiative of World War II veterans, siege survivors and compatriots living in Israel to erect the monument as well as of St. Petersburg's authorities.

Russian president's address

Speaking at the unveiling of the Memorial Candle monument to the residents and defenders of Leningrad who experienced the World War II siege, Russian President Vladimir Putin said that it was the duty of Russia and Israel to teach younger generations to be grateful to those who at the cost of their lives proved the value of peace and to remember the lessons of World War II.

"Here [in Israel] and in Russia there is the awareness of the importance of World War II lessons and of not letting the world forget what national egoism, discord and connivance with any forms of chauvinism, anti-Semitism and Russophobia lead to," Putin stated.

"It is our common duty to pass on this knowledge to future generations, the great grand-children of victors, and to teach them to remember with gratitude those who earned us freedom and at the cost of the their lives proved the everlasting value of peace and justice."

The Russian leader cordially thanked the authorities of Israel, who put up a monument to the residents and defend-

Salvini looking for redemption in Italian regional elections ers of the besieged Leningrad. **UN agency appeals for funding to help**

ROME

VOTERS in two Italian regions, Emilia Romagna in the north and Calabria in the south, went to the polls vesterday in local elections that could help propel far-right, opposition leader Matteo Salvini to national power.

Both regions are currently controlled by the center-left and while polls have long predicted a win for the right in the underdement in Rome that it could even veloped Calabria, the result in the collapse. north is far less certain and politi-

cally much more significant.

One of Italy's wealthiest regions, Emilia Romagna is home to the Ferrari sports car and Parmesan cheese and has been a left-wing stronghold since World War Two.

Salvini (pictured) has spent weeks relentlessly campaigning in the area and hopes that an upset victory for his League party and its rightist partners would so destabilize the coalition govern-

"If you give us a hand, we'll go



on Monday and ask for early elections to give this country strong, coherent government," Salvini's Brothers of Italy party, told a closif they were drug dealers. ing rally in Emilia Romagna on

Salvini's anti-immigrant, anti-European message has resonated in the region during the campaign, especially in the smaller towns and cities, as has his pledge

Underscoring his confrontaional style of politics, Salvini caused a stir last week by ringing the interphone at the apartment of a family of Tunisian migrants ally Giorgia Meloni, head of the and, in front of TV cameras, asked

Salvini served as interior min-

ister until last August, when, in a rare miscalculation, he walked out of government with the antiestablishment 5-Star Movement, expecting to trigger a national election that polls predicted he would easily win.

Instead, 5-Star hooked up with the centre-left Democratic Party (PD) and shunted him into opposition. Looking to exact revenge and confirm his ascendancy in Italy, Salvini has since concentrated all his efforts on winning a stream of local votes. *Agencies*

1.2m refugees, hosts in Ethiopia **ADDIS ABABA**

THE United Nations Refugee Agency, UNHCR, has appealed for "robust support" to meet the humanitarian needs of about 735,000 refugees and some 500,000 refugee hosts in Ethiopia during the course of 2020.

Kisut Gebregziabher, Spokesperson for the UNHCR Office in Ethiopia, told Xinhua in an exclusive interview on late on Friday that the UN refugee agency and its partners "are appealing for robust international support for refugee operations in Ethiopia with the launch of a funding appeal for 658 million U.S. dollars to assist over 735,000 refugees and more than half a million Ethiopian hosts in

"International support and solidarity is vital to ensure the implementation of the wide range of rights granted to refugees by Ethiopia during the last three years," Gebregziabher told Xinhua, as he emphasized that the East African country's revised refugee laws grant refugees the right to work and access social services, facilitating their inclusion among the communities where they live in Ethiopia.

In January last year, Ethiopian policymakers had adopted progressive laws, which allow refugees to obtain work permits, access primary education and obtain drivers'

Ethiopia's new refugee law, among other things, also allows refugees residing in the country to register essential events such as births and gain access to national financial services, such as banking.

Gebregziabher also stressed that resources are needed to expand existing social service infrastructures in health, education, water and sanitation, environmental protection, social protection and employment as part of the broad refugee response efforts.

The UN refugee agency, which commended Ethiopia's long history of hosting refugees and asylum seekers, also disclosed that the East African country presently hosts more than 735,000 refugees from 26 nationalities, mainly from Ethiopia's neighboring countries such as South Sudan, Somalia, Eritrea and Sudan.

Xi urges all-out efforts to control coronavirus outbreak

BEIJING

XI Jinping, general secretary of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, on Saturday urged all-out efforts to prevent and control the novel coronavirus-related pneumonia, extending his sincere sympathies to the bereaved families due to the contagion as well as his heartfelt gratitude to the medical staff on the front line.

Xi, also president and the chairman of the Central Military Commission, made the remark while chairing a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee on the first day of the Spring Festival, or Lunar New Year.

The meeting decided the CPC Central Committee will set up a leading taskforce group, which will tral Committee, make all-out ef-

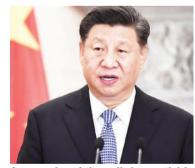
act under the leadership of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, according to a statement released after the meeting.

The CPC Central Committee will

send work groups to areas that are seriously plagued by the contagion, such as Hubei province, to help locals strengthen overall efforts in the prevention and control of the disease, the statement said. Xi stressed at the meeting that

all the Party, the military and the people of all ethnic groups throughout the country stand with families plagued by the disease and are their strong support.

He urged the Party committees and governments at various levels to fully implement the decisions and policies made by the CPC Cen-



forts and mobilize all the available resources to curb the spread of the contagion.

Xi asked the Party and government officials to put a priority on people's lives and health and take the prevention and control of the contagious disease as the most urgent task at the current stage.

As long as the nation has strong confidence and makes joint efforts with scientific and targeted measures, the battle of the prevention and control of the contagion will be won, Xi said.

He called for strengthening the protection of medical staff, ensuring the market supply of materials in need, intensifying disclosure of related information to guide the public opinion as well as the mobilization of social forces to uphold the overall stability of society.

The meeting urged concrete efforts to ensure access of adequate supplies of materials to Wuhan, capital of Hubei province, where the first case of the novel coronavirus-related pneumonia was reported, and the province, to enable people to live a normal life, according to the statement.

All provinces need to strengthen monitoring, prevention and control of the outbreak among flowing populations, and identify, report, isolate and treat patients in a timely manner, the statement said.

The participants of the meeting also urged all-out efforts to treat infectious patients, and disclose disease-related information in an accurate, open and transparent manner to address concerns from both at home and abroad, it said.

While underscoring the need to strengthen people's awareness in disease prevention and boost the confidence of the public, they also called for timely communication with the World Health Organization, organizations of relevant countries and regions, as well as Hong Kong and Macao special administrative regions and Taiwan province, and stepping up cooperation to jointly uphold regional and global health security, the statement said.

World needs to tackle problems amid process of economic globalisation

"ECONOMIC confrontations" and "domestic political polarization" are considered the top risks this year by the Global Risks Report 2020 recently issued by the World Economic Forum (WEF). The report holds that 2020 is going to be a year that sees severer polarization and slower economic growth.

This once again reminds the world of the risks of economic polarization and confrontation, even though the global economy has entered in-depth integrated development. Therefore, the world sees an urgent need to make practical solutions to solve the issues happening in the process of economic globaliza-

Instabilities and uncertainties have haunted the world in recent years, and the insufficient inclusiveness of economic development to a large extent

facilitated the happening of "black swans", as a result of which the benefits of economic globalization are hardly able to be shared by all countries, classes and groups

Economic globalization was once hailed as the "power of nature", as people believed to reject it is to reject the sunrise. However, economic globalization is seeing a countercurrent in today's world where many have started discussing how to reverse the process.

Hence, to have an objective understanding of economic globalization comes before everything. This economic process is neither Ali Baba's cave nor Pandora's box. The world is bothered by a number of problems, so it's not right to put all the blame on economic globali-

At the WEF held in Davos, Switzerland

3 years ago, Chinese President Xi Jinping shared his views on how the world can have a dialectical understanding of economic globalization and how it should tackle the problems in a targeted manner, dismissing the clouds that shadowed the world economy.

"It is true that economic globalization has created new problems, but this is no justification to write economic globalization off completely. Rather, we should adapt to and guide economic globalization, cushion its negative impact and deliver its benefits to all countries and all nations," said the Chinese President.

Problems are acceptable, but the fear of facing them and the incapability of finding solutions are not. To tackle the problems during economic globalization, the primary task is to make the cake of global development bigger.

When global economy is facing downward pressure, it's not easy to expand the cake, and it might even shrink. Therefore contradictions would appear sharper, and both developing and developed countries are expected to shoulder pressure and impacts.

Faced with contradictions and problems, global countries should adopt an opener mind and make joint efforts to enhance global governance, expand global market, better share the benefits with each other and revitalize global cooperation. Only by doing so, can economic globalization enjoy stronger dynamics, and can development dividend benefit more countries and regions.

To tackle the problems during economic globalization, how to slice the cake of development is also important. Many countries, especially certain de-

veloped ones, are seeing severe class rigidity and widening wealth gap, which generates serious domestic issues. However, this is caused by their domestic governance, rather than economic globalization. To blame other countries for domestic governance failure and turn to isolation out of the so-called fear for economic globalization will only lead to a dead end. Only by constant reforms that are able to solve the contradictions between growth and distribution, capital and labor, and efficiency and equality, can a workable path be found.

While WTO members enjoyed an average export increase of 14 percent between 1980 and 2016, the wealth and exports of non-members were on a fall. according to statistics released by Germany's Bertelsmann Foundation. Such comparison proves that to integrate

into and promote economic globalization is a right choice that conforms to the needs of each country to develop and the interests of the people.

Speaking of the prospects of economic globalization, former WTO Director-General Pascal Lamy noted that he still believes there's a long way ahead for globalization, and its negative impacts can be eliminated, and dividends can be

He took China as an example, saying the country benefited from globalization and contributed to it at the same time. The secret for China is that it upholds a people-centered development concept while expanding opening-up and embracing globalization and its development achievements are shared by all Chinese people.

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Visitors at the food and agricultural products exhibition area of the second CIIE

China's foreign trade breaks record, benefits world

cent year-on-year in 2019 to 31.54 trillion yuan (\$4.6 trillion), reaching a record high.

With steady growth and better quality of foreign trade, China is expected to remain the largest trader of goods in

China's foreign trade was faced with mounting external challenges last year. The World Trade Organization (WTO) slashed its global trade growth forecast for 2019 to the weakest level in a dec-

The Global Trade Alert (GTA), which provides independent monitoring of policies that affect world commerce, pointed out that the trade and investment policies and measures introduced by countries in the first 10 months of 2019 saw the sharpest decline in 7 years.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development warned that the continuous trade tensions were a major factor in affecting the world economy.

Bucking the trend of the decline in global economy, China secured recordhigh foreign trade, sharing its development benefits with the rest of the world and generating new opportunities for the sluggish world market.

From November 5 to 10, 2019, China hosted the second China International Import Expo (CIIE), attracting 181 countries, regions as well as international organizations.

During the second CIIE, \$71.13 billion worth of tentative deals were reached for one-year purchases of goods and services, 23 percent higher than that of the previous year.

Then on November 11, China's biggest online shopping holiday, more than 20,000 brands from over 200 countries and regions joined the grand online sales.

China has speeded up in stimulating the potential of domestic demand for increased imports. Last year, the country's imports climbed to 14.31 trillion yuan, the highest on record.

With concrete actions, China has made it clear to the world that its initiative to expand imports is a future-oriented step taken to embrace the world

CHINA'S foreign trade rose 3.4 per- and promote common development. Meanwhile, China's exports grew 5 percent year on year to 17.23 trillion yuan last year, bringing high-quality products to more emerging markets.

Export with main trading partners such as the European Union (EU) and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) maintained stable growth while that with countries along the Belt and Road and emerging markets like Africa and Latin America has increased rapidly.

The export of high value-added products maintained momentum. Export of integrated circuits, semiconductor devices, solar cells and etc. registered a growth rate of over 25 percent.

Besides, the export of products made by Chinese brands reached 2.9 trillion yuan, up by 12 percent. The volume accounted for nearly 17 percent of the total export value, 1.1 percentage points higher than that in 2018.

China will continue to share its development dividends with other countries. In recent years, China has rolled out policies to cut taxes and administrative fees to support the development of economy.

Starting from the beginning of 2020, it began to implement provisional import tax rates that are lower than the most-favored-nation tariff rates for over 850 commodities, more than those in the last year, enabling more high-quality goods access to the Chinese market.

China has also optimized the business environment of the ports and facilitated cross-border trade.

As private enterprises have become the biggest contributor to China's foreign trade, the country, with a complete industrial system and increasing technological innovation, is believed to form the world's largest domestic mar-

All these above will allow China to unleash the huge potential for foreign trade and inject stable and positive energy into the world economy.

Standing at a new historical starting point, China will open its door only wider to the world and continue sharing its benefits with other countries.

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New Russian prime minister has carte blanche to form govt - Kremlin

NEW Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin has a certain freedom of actions to form his team, Kremlin Spokesman Dmitry Peskov said in an interview with "Moscow. Kremlin. Putin" program on Rossiya-1 TV channel yesterday.

"Certainly, there is some candidate pool, from where if needed candidates are picked or proposed. However, since Mishustin received a proposal to head the cabinet, definitely, I believe he had and has a certain carte blanche to form his team," Peskov

The Kremlin spokesman noted that



Mishustin as the head of government is responsible before the state.

Peskov stressed that Russia's cabinet reshuffle was linked to the new goals set by President Vladimir Putin.

"This is an extraordinary task and this requires a government with maxi-

mum efficiency, dynamics and flexibility at work. That's because now there are no other options," he said.

The previous Russian government resigned on January 15 in the wake of constitutional amendments proposed by Putin. The president accepted the cabinet's resignation and nominated the chief of the Federal Tax Service, Mikhail Mishustin, for the prime min-

The next day Russia's lower house of parliament, the State Duma, confirmed Mishustin as the new prime minister. On January 21, the Russian president's decrees approved the government's structure and its new members.

Bernie Sanders, stuck in Trump's trial, leans on star power of 'AOC'

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa

U.S. presidential candidate Bernie Sanders drew large, passionate crowds in Iowa this weekend, even when he was not there.

The U.S. Senator from Vermont has been rising in opinion polls just as Iowans prepare to pick their choice of Democratic presidential nominee on Feb. 3, but has been stuck in Washington, where he is serving as a juror in Republican President Donald Trump's impeachment trial.

In lieu of the candidate himself, Sanders supporter Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, a first term U.S. congresswoman from New York, has proven almost as much of a draw, filling rallies and town halls and galvanizing members of what she called a "mass movement" led by Sanders to push progressive politics.

"It doesn't rely on any one person to carry this whole movement on their back. We all shoulder a little," she told a group of volunteers going out to canvass for Sanders in Cedar Rapids on Saturday

The strong turnout for Sanders even in his absence underscores the strength of his young and diverse base of supporters, who have rallied behind his unapologetic liberalism. But it also shows as much enthusiasm for 30-yearold Ocasio-Cortez, who became a star of U.S. left-wing politics after being elected to the House of Representatives in 2018.

Interviews with a dozen prospective caucus-goers over two days showed her backing had lent Sanders a degree of youth appeal and bolstered his progressive credentials, especially on Ocasio-Cortez's signature issue of tackling climate change

Sanders, proposing tax hikes for the wealthy and corporations to fund measures such as universal government-run healthcare and tuition-free college, is rising just as the first voting nears, according to a Reuters/Ipsos opinion poll this week, polling at 20% and just behind Joe Biden, the front-runner and



former vice president.

In Iowa, whose first-in-the-nation caucuses have an outsized role in picking presidential nominees, Sanders is leading some polls or in a statistical tie with Biden and Pete Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, Indiana.

His rise has come since Ocasio-Cortez, wildly popular among progressives and known for her bare-all social media presence, formally endorsed him in October just after a heart attack threatened to cut short his second run for president.

"It gave him a needed boost at an important time, but also I think it signaled for a lot of young progressive people that this is the campaign that we should throw down for," said Sayles Kasten, Iowa State director for the Sunrise Movement, a youth group organizing on climate change that endorsed Sanders this month.

Grant Woodard, an Iowa lawyer and former Democratic political operative in the state, said Ocasio-Cortez and filmmaker Michael Moore, who campaigned alongside her this week, were "cat nip" to Sanders' base, but were not likely to expand his appeal to moderate Democrats.

Sanders, an avowed Democratic Socialist, remains a "polarizing figure in the party," he said.

"I guess we'll see as this plays out how much of a thirst for Democratic Socialism there in the national Democratic Party. I don't know if it's that great," said Woodard.

STAR POWER

All the Democrats running for president are sending out high-profile allies, Hollywood stars and family members to campaign on their behalf or alongside them, but few attract the level of excitement seen for Ocasio-Cortez, better known by her initials AOC.

On Friday night, Sanders' voice boomed in briefly at a college hall in Iowa City when he called in from Washington by phone after the day's impeachment trial proceedings, but it was Ocasio-Cortez who got a rock-star welcome from the crowd of more than

"She's actually talking about issues that other politicians don't bring up regularly, like student debt and medical care," Max Oelmann, 19, a freshman studying social work. "I think she's good at cutting through the bullshit, which is what a lot of people like about her." Ocasio-Cortez, who volunteered as

an organizer for Sanders' 2016 campaign, is the author of the Green New Deal congressional bill that Sanders incorporated into his electoral platform and which envisions massive investment in clean energy.

Erdogan says Haftar pursues Libya attacks 'with all his resources'

ANKARA

EASTERN military commander Khalifa Haftar is violating Libya's truce and so cannot be ex-



pected to respect the ceasefire called between his forces and pro-government troops, Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan said yesterday.

Despite efforts by Turkey and Russia, Haftar abandoned talks on a ceasefire in Moscow earlier this month and his blockade of Libyan oilfields overshadowed a summit in Berlin last week aimed at agreeing on a permanent truce.

His Libyan National Army (LNA) faction aims to capture the capital, Tripoli, through the backing of Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, Russian mercenaries and African troops.

Turkey meanwhile backs Fayez al-Serraj's internationally recognized Government of National Accord (GNA).

Fighting has abated in the past weeks but picked up at the weekend at the frontline in southern Tripoli, where artillery fire could be heard, a Reuters reporter said. More than 150,000 people have been displaced by the months of

Speaking before leaving on a visit to Algeria, Erdogan said Haftar's forces had repeatedly violated the ceasefire, adding that international support for the LNA was "spoiling" Haftar.

"At this point, we need to see clearly what Haftar's identity is. He is a man who has betrayed his superiors before as well," Erdogan said. "It is not possible to expect mercy and understanding from someone like this on the ceasefire.'

"He's continuing attacks with all his resources. However, he will not be successful here."

Libya has had no stable central authority since the toppling of strongman Muammar Gaddafi by NATO-backed rebels in 2011. It has had two rival governments, in the east and the west, for more than five years, with streets controlled by armed groups. Turkey has repeatedly said Haftar

must choose a political solution to the conflict and has urged foreign powers to press the commander into a truce. It has also sent military advisers and trainers to help the GNA fend off Haftar's assault on Tripoli. Ankara has said that it will abide by a

United Nations arms embargo on Libya as long as the ceasefire is maintained, but has said it could also deploy troops if necessary.

In Berlin, foreign powers agreed to form a special committee made up of five military officials from each side to shore up the shaky truce. They are due to meet for the first time this week in Ge-

Aunt of DPRK's Kim makes first public appearance in 6 years

THE influential aunt of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) leader Kim Jong-un made her first public appearance in six years, state media reported yesterday, years after her husband was executed in a purge. Kim Kyong-hui is the sister of former

DPRK leader Kim Jong-il, and took a leading role during the first years of current leader Kim Jong-un's rule.

public view since 2013, after Kim Jongun ordered the execution of her husband, Jang Song-thaek, seen as the second most powerful man in the DPRK at the time. On Sunday, state media showed Kim

She had largely disappeared from

Kyong-hui sitting near Kim Jong-un at a performance celebrating the Lunar New Year in Pyongyang. "Many DPRK watchers had assumed

that Kim Kyong-hui had gone into exile or even killed in the wake of her hus-

the leader's side some six years later is certainly a surprise," said Oliver Hotham, managing editor of NK News, a Seoul-based organization that monitors DPRK. Kim Kyong-hui and her husband

band's death, so to see her pop up by

were once a power couple that formed a kind of regency in the political world of the DPRK behind its young and mercurial leader, who succeeded his father in December 2011. Kim Kyong-hui's reappearance in a said.

position of prominence suggests she has retained, or at least regained an influential position behind the scenes, Hotham said, noting that state media listed her after the DPRK's nominal No 2, Choe Ryong-hae.

"That she's sitting right next to the leader and is listed second after Choe Ryong-hae suggests she might have been granted a significant new position, potentially advising Kim Jong-un on economic or political issues," he

AS CHINA'S Spring Festival is approaching, more and more Chinese consumers purchase foreign goods for the holiday, which generates benefits for global merchants.

Data from Kaola, a Chinese cross-border e-commerce platform, suggest that the sales of Australian boots, French wine, Chilean cherries, and lobsters from Boston, the U.S., have soared recently.

On December 31, 2019, a ship from Chile arrived at Shanghai's Yangshan Port, bringing nearly 20,000 tons of Chilean cherries to the Chinese consumers. In a hurry to deliver the local

cherries to the Chinese consumers before the Spring Festival, the ship took a direct route and arrived at its destination within 23 days, 8-13 days earlier than usual.

The Chilean fruit growers

are very optimistic about the Chinese market, said Cai Yibo, manager of the flagship store of Chilean food on the online mar-

Statistics show that the export of Chilean cherries reached a record high of 210,000 tons in the fourth quarter of 2019, nearly 90 percent of which were sold to

ketplace Tmall.

The popularity of imported goods right before Spring Festival can be attributed to consumption upgrading. The continuous expanding middle-income group has placed China in a critical moment of consumption upgrading, said Sheng Laiyun, deputy head of the National Bureau of Statis-

Especially when China's per capita GDP hits \$10,000, the number of middle-income earners will keep increasing, further accelerating the trend of consumption upgrading, he added.

At a promotion activity of Spring Festival purchases held in Lanzhou, northwest China's Gansu province, a citizen surnamed Zhang came specially to buy American pork and Australian beef. "It is said that the two kinds of imported meat are of high quality and good taste," Zhang explained.

It was noted that the sales of American pork ranked top, with 1,000 kg being sold at the first day of the promotion. Sea food like Caribbean lobsters, Brazilian cutlass fish were also popular.

China's Spring Festival benefits global merchants

Data from Jingdong to Home, an online retail service provider, show that the consumption amount of the consumers in third-tier cities and below increased by 5.6 times year-on-year and the consumption of import-

ed goods increased by 9.8 times. Fruit, milk, candy, and chocolate are the most popular imported goods among residents in third and fourth tier cities.

The Belt and Road has made it easier for global products to enter the Chinese market. In Xi'an, northwest China's Shaanxi province, a Spring Festival shopping fair has kicked off, in which over 5,000 products in 13 categories from some 40 countries and regions in Europe and Central Asia are on display.

German milk, Kazakh flour, Russian chocolate and French wine were all exported to the city through China-Europe freight

Statistics from the Ministry of Commerce indicate that in the first 11 months of 2019, the trade volume between China and other Belt and Road countries hit \$1.2 trillion, up 4.8 percent year-on-year. A total of 7,469 China-Europe freight trains were launched, increasing 33 percent from the previous year, reaching 55 cities in 18 countries.

On Jan. 1, China implemented new provisional import tax rates that are lower than the most-

for over 850 commodities, making imported goods more appealing to the Chinese consumers. Yonghui Superstores have

favored-nation (MFN) tariff rates

cooperated with more than 35 countries and regions to import goods from the local merchants directly, said Mu Ming, core partner of Yonghui Superstores.

Mu added that many foreign farmers have realized the potential of the Chinese market as they became much better off after their products found favor with Chinese consumers.

A Thuy, a 40-year-old pitaya grower in Vietnam, is busy shipping the pitayas in her orchard with the cold chain technology.

The Vietnamese, who has

grown pitayas for five years, has moved from a cottage to a villa with an area of nearly 400 square meters and she owes it to the huge potential of the Chinese market.

According to Vietnamese media, pitaya exports accounted for 32 percent of Vietnam's total export of vegetables and fruits, and 80 percent of the exported pitayas went to China.

The huge demand of the Chinese consumers has brought about a great market for countries around the world. According to a report released by the McKinsey Global Institute, China is the world's largest market of many products such as automobiles, alcohol, and mobile phones, with consumption accounting for about 30 percent of the world's total.

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Director Bryan Fogel, left, and Hatice Cengiz pose for a portrait to promote the film "The Dissident" at the Music Lodge during the Sundance Film Festival on Friday, Jan. 24, 2020, in Park City, Utah. (AP)

Khashoggi documentary 'The Dissident' lands at Sundance

PARK CITY, Utah

A SEARING documentary about the killing of Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi made its anticipated debut at the Sundance Film Festival, unveiling a detailed investigation into the Saudi Arabia regime and the companies and governments that do business with it.

Bryan Fogel's "The Dissident" was one of the most high-profile documentaries at the Park City festival, and it made headlines even before it premiered Friday. The film, Fogel's first since his Oscar-winning expose "Icarus" on Russian doping for the Olympics, features the explosive conclusion of United Nations human rights investigators that the phone of Amazon billionaire Jeff Bezos was hacked into by a malicious file sent from the personal WhatsApp account of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.

Hillary Clinton and Alec Baldwin were among those in attendance at the premiere of "The Dissident," as was Hatice Cengiz, the fiancée of Khashoggi. Khashoggi was picking up paperwork for their marriage when he was murdered at a Saudi consulate in Istanbul in October 2018. The crown prince ordered the killing, the CIA has said. Mohammed, who initially denied Saudi Arabia was behind Khashoggi's killing, eventually granted it was carried out by the Saudi government but claimed it was not by his orders.

In an interview following the premiere, Fogel said he hopes "The Dissident," which dramatically details the plot to kill Khashoggi and analyzes Saudi Arabia's crackdown on free speech, forces a reappraisal of the Middle Eastern country internationally. The film's end credits include a list of corporations with business ties to Saudi Arabia. The United States, too, is scrutinized for its close alliance with the kingdom, including a 2019 arms deal allowed to go forward after President Donald Trump vetoed a bill intended to

block the sale. "I hope that this film will make other countries, their government and business leaders reassess their relationship with Saudi Arabia until they reform," said Fogel. "As much money as there is, when you have people sitting in prisons for tweeting, when you have women arrested and tortured for driving, it's very hard to look the other way."

"The Dissident" was greeted with a raucous standing ovation and immediate acclaim. Variety called it "an eye-opening thriller brew of corruption, cover-up, and real-world cour-

Independently financed by the Human Rights Foundation, "The Dissident" is for sale at Sundance, the top movie market for documentaries. Speaking on stage after the premiere, Fogel urged distributors to not be

scared off by Saudi Arabia and give the film a worldwide release. "In my dream of dreams, distributors will stand up to Saudi Arabia," said Fogel.

Media companies have capitulated to Saudi pressure before. Netflix, which distributed Fogel's "Icarus," last year removed an episode of Hasan Minhaj's "Patriot Act" dealing with the killing of Khashoggi after a Saudi complaint. Fogel said he would be happy for any studio to pick up the film, including Netflix, HBO and Bezo's own Amazon. Following the murder, relations between Amazon and Saudi Arabia cooled considerably.

Of the possibility of Amazon, Fogel said, "I hope so. I'm open to any global powerful distributor that's going to take this film seri-

The premiere of "The Dissident" was especially emotional for Cengiz. Since Khashoggi's death, she has taken on public role pressing for justice for her former fiancé.

"I'm happy because this film will keep alive the story," Cengiz said in a separate interview. "This film helped me to continue this fighting as a human, as a woman, as a victim."

After the killing of Khashoggi, a veteran Saudi journalist who fled the kingdom to urge for reforms and press freedom in his native country, Cengiz says she can no longer assume her safety. The Guardian on Friday reported that U.S. officials believed Saudi Arabia has previously attempted to monitor Cengiz abroad.

"No one knows who is safe because they killed Jamal inside the consulate, the best safety place around the world," said Cengiz. "So I don't know if I'm safe if I'm sitting in my

"The Dissident" includes extensive interviews with Turkish officials who uncovered the killing and also delves into the related story of Omar Abdulaziz, a Saudi activist who is living under asylum in Montreal after fleeing the country to launch a web series critical of the Saudi regime.

In the film, Abdulaziz says he believes Khashoggi's relationship with him led directly to his murder. Abdulaziz's phone, too, was hacked, the film alleges, with the powerful spyware program Pegasus believed to be used

For Fogel, bringing such revelations to light has given Khashoggi's death more meaning.

"There's so much pain from this story, but there's a lot of power that has come from it," said Fogel. "Look what his murder -- as horrendous as it was -- has done to shine the light on other human rights abuses, to shine the light on what the Saudis were doing in regards to repressing free speech. I hope if Jamal was looking down, he'd be very proud to see he didn't die in vain."

Closer look at Taifa Stars' 2022 World Cup path



BY CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL MWEBE

FRICA's national soccer teams now know their route to the FIFA World Cup Oatar 2022 following the draw for the second round of the qualifying competition, which took place on January 21.

The ceremony was held at The Nile Ritz-Carlton in Cairo, Egypt and saw the 14 first-round winners and the 26 highest-ranked African nations in the FIFA/Coca-Cola World Ranking drawn into 10 groups with each group comprising four teams.

The first round of African 28 lowest-ranked sides compete over two legs, with the winners progressing to join the 26 nations given byes into the second

Tanzania managed to overcome Burundi in a tense penalty shootout after one-all stalemates in both the away and home ties of the preliminary

The second round is scheduled to begin in October 2020, when the teams will play each other home and away in a minileague format.

The 10 group winners will Simon Msuva.

progress to the third and final round, which will feature five two-legged play-off ties.

Taifa Stars will battle neighbours DR Congo, Madagascar and Benin in Group J as the Tanzania team try to negotiate their way to the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar.

Without the dreaded North Africa trips, it is not a frightening group though Tanzania is still an underdog here and the lowest ranked team.

the highest ranked team in the group, will be Tanzania's first opponents. The Leopards have the

DR Congo, aka Leopards,

qualifiers saw the continent's largest talent pool with players scattered all over the world at their disposal but they are time and again held back by administration issues.

head-to-head Tanzania and DR Congo have met six times since 1997.

Taifa Stars have claimed three wins compared to two for the Leopards, while one match has been drawn. In their last meeting, at the National Stadium in March 2018, Taifa Stars claimed a 2-0 victory thanks to goals netted by captain, Mbwana Samatta, and

in November. Benin, nicknamed The Squirrels, have never qualified for the World Cup but judging on their recent records they can pose their own problems.

They used to be over reliant on Stéphane Sessegnon but other stars like Huddersfield's Steve Mounie have emerged to share the goal scoring burden.

In the AFCON 2019 finals in Egypt they got three credible draws against Ghana, Guinea Bissau and Cameroon to advance to the knockout stage where they shocked Morocco before narrowly losing 1-0 to finalists Senegal at the quarterfinal stage.

However for Taifa Stars to either progress or avoid finishing bottom, these are the kinds of opponents they need to get at least four points.

head-to-head Tanzania and Benin have met four times. The Squirrels have claimed two wins compared to one for Taifa Stars while one game ended all square.

When the teams met in an international friendly in November 2017, Taifa Stars came back from behind to force a one-all away draw thanks to have been drawn. AP

Stars will then take on Benin a goal netted by Elias Maguri after Benin had gone ahead through a controversial penalty that was converted by Stéphane

Madagascar team, nicknamed Barea, will be Tanzania's third opponents in October, 2021. Since the former head of the country's football federation, Ahmad Ahmad, president of the Confederation of African Football (CAF) in 2017, Madagascar football fortunes

have vastly improved. In their debut AFCON campaign in Egypt, Madagascar were the pleasant surprise package having cruised into the quarter-finals.

They comprehensively beat Nigeria 2-0 to earn admirers from every corner of the world. They are the kind of oppo-

nents Tanzania's soccer fans tend to underestimate with a low attendance at the National Stadium but their FIFA rankings shows they are ahead and Taifa Stars have to be at their best to beat them even at home.

In head-to-head stats, Tanzania and Madagascar have met in 10 matches. The Islanders have boast of five wins compared to two for Stars, while three games

James passes Bryant on NBA scoring list in Lakers' loss

PHILADELPHIA

LeBRON James was a teenager when he first met Kobe Bryant at a youth basketball camp, in awe of his idol and ears open as the Los Angeles Lakers star offered advice to the prodigy that has lasted to this day.

"I was just listening," James said. "I was just trying to soak everything up I could. I remember one thing he said was that if you want to try and be great at it, and want to be one of the greats, you've got to put the work in."

James put in the work and followed Bryant's path -- from making the leap from high school straight to the NBA, to winning NBA titles, and, eventually, to playing in Los Angeles. With a driving right-handed layup, James no longer chased Bryant, he zoomed past him for third place on the NBA's career scoring list.

"I'm just happy to be in any conversation with Kobe Bryant, one of the all-time greats to ever play," James

With a tribute to Bryant written on his Nikes, James scored 29 points in front of a roaring 76ers' crowd, but the Lakers fell short in a 108-91 loss to Philadelphia on Saturday night.

James scribbled "Mamba 4 Life" as he chased Bryant, the five-time champion, in Philly. Fans stood with phones pointed toward the court, waiting to capture a slice of history that came when James scored the milestone basket with 7:23 left in the third quarter. James entered 18 points shy of passing Bryant, and the layup gave him 33,644 points. James stands third with 33,655. Bryant finished his career with 33,643, all with the Lak-

"Continuing to move the game forward @KingJames. Much respect my brother #33644," Bryant tweeted. James waved to the Philadelphia

ing ovation when the mark was announced by the public address announcer. The Sixers also posted a graphic of the NBA's top 10 career scorers with images of James in Lakers and Miami Heat jerseys.

The 35-year-old James entered averaging at least 25 points (25.2 ppg) for the 16th straight season and has played 44 games this season. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is the NBA's career scoring leader with 38,387 points and Karl Malone is second at 36,928. James is on pace to pass Abdul-Jabbar in about three seasons. The top four scorers in NBA history played for the Lakers, who signed James as a free agent in

James passed Bryant in Phil- he lined up side-by-side with

adelphia, where the retired Lakers star was born. James, who played in eight consecutive NBA Finals, has 6,911 postseason points with Cleveland and Miami that do not count in the official total.

James' stories in the locker room on Bryant seemed to stretch on as long as his list of milestones. Like another time when he was still in high school and was gifted a pair of red, white and blue Nikes from Bryant. James wore a size 15, Bryant was a 14, but he wore the sneaks anyway. Or the way James was inspired how Bryant always found some sort of slight to use as fuel to improve. James would have a "dream come true" when

Bryant as teammates in the 2008 Olympics as part of the "Redeem Team" and led Team

USA to a gold medal in Beijing. "There's just too much. The story is just too much," James said. "The story doesn't make sense. Make a long story short, now I'm here in a Lakers uniform, in Philadelphia where he's from."

Anthony Davis scored 31 points for the Lakers. James went 9 for 18 from the floor, missed five of six 3s, made 10 of 13 free throws and had eight turnovers. "It was just a great historic moment for our franchise, for LeBron himself," Lakers coach Frank Vogel said.



Los Angeles Lakers' LeBron James (23) drives past Brooklyn Nets' Wilson Chandler (21) during the first half of ar NBA basketball game Thursday, Jan. 23, 2020, in New York. (AP Photo/)

Spanish league president Williams condemns racism, fan street clashes

BARCELONA, SPAIN

SPANISH football was marred by a player being racially abused during a league game on Saturday, along with street clashes between rival fans outside stadiums before two matches.

The league president said the incidents had done "serious damage" to Spanish football."

Athletic Bilbao forward Iñaki Williams said that he was a victim of racial abuse from fans while playing at Espanyol in the city of Barcelona. "I suffered racist insults, something that no one wants to hear and has no place here," Williams

said after the 1-1 draw. Williams, who is black, played 82 minutes of the match before being substituted.

TV broadcaster Movistar showed Williams confronting a section of Espanyol fans who were taunting him with monkey chants while a Bilbao teammate was taking a corner kick.

"People should come to enjoy themselves, to help their team. This is a sport about friendship," Williams said.

Espanyol condemned the incident

and said it is working to identify the fans involved.

"Espanyol strongly condemns any expressions of racism in a football stadium," the club said. "The club is investigating the racist incident produced by a few fans against Iñaki Williams."

Williams did not say if he had reported the incident to the referee, whose report did not mention the racist chants.

Ultra fan groups clashed in the street before the match at Espanyol on Saturday and also outside Valencia's stadium before a game against Barcelona.

Video on social media showed groups of men tossing tables from bars and exchanging blows during both incidents.

"Today we have taken a step back in the work that we began years ago," Spanish league president Javier Tebas tweeted. "The violent incidents in Barcelona and Valencia (and) the racist insults against Iñaki Williams do serious damage to Spanish football. La Liga assumes responsibility and will look along with the clubs to find what we did wrong."

Mourinho unhappy over Eriksen transfer saga

SOUTHAMPTON, UNITED KINGDOM

TOTTENHAM manager Jose Mourinho appeared to take a swipe at Inter Milan as the Italian club struggle to complete their protracted move for Christian Eriksen.

Mourinho left Eriksen out of his matchday squad for Saturday's 1-1 draw at Southampton in the FA Cup fourth round, even though the Denmark midfielder had travelled to St Mary's.

Inter have been chasing Eriksen for most of the January transfer window, while there has been speculation about his future ever since he said he wanted to leave Spurs last year.

It is believed Tottenham are close to agreeing a fee for Eriksen and he could head to Italy early next week

But Mourinho is not happy at how he has been left with an unsettled deal could have been done by now.

"You can read what you want to like this is not nice."

shouldn't happen on the 25th of January," Mourinho told reporters after the Southampton match.

"And it is not Tottenham's fault in the situation.'

surrounding Eriksen's future, Mourinho had used the playmaker

Eriksen came on as a second-half substitute in Wednesday's 2-1 win over Norwich, but was booed by some fans who have been unhappy about the Dane's supposed lack of

Mourinho refused to blame Eriksen and instead hinted it was Inter who should shoulder the

since I arrive, he is behaving in a very, very professional way, with

"Tottenham is the last one to player for several weeks when the blame for this situation, but to be on the 25th of January in a situation

read, I don't want to say anything.

I just want to say that this situation

that on the 25th of January we are

Despite constant speculation on several occasions.

commitment.

responsibility. "The only thing I can say is Eriksen,

me and the team," Mourinho said.

Frustrated Lampard calls for Chelsea to make signings

LONDON

FRANK Lampard called on Chelsea to back him in the transfer market after his side edged into the FA Cup fifth round with a 2-1 win at Hull on Saturday.

Lampard has bemoaned Chelsea's failure to kill off defensive opponents throughout his first season in charge and he believes signings in key attacking areas are the solution.

The Chelsea manager watched his team take control at second tier Hull thanks to Michy Batshuayi's early strike before Fikayo Tomori's header doubled the lead after half-

But the Blues should have been further ahead by that point after squandering several chances and Kamil Grosicki's late deflected freekick for Hull set up a tense finale.

Chelsea survived but the inconsistent performance underlined Lampard's belief that new recruits are needed after his club were unable to sign players to replace Eden Hazard, who joined Real Madrid during the summer window when the Blues were serving a transfer ban.

clear we've got a punishment where we couldn't bring in players and we lost one of the biggest players in our

history (Hazard)," Lampard told BT

"We lost ground last summer so now we need to (sign players), to challenge for top four.

"For me it's clear. The recruitment when you've missed a window in the short term is very important and we need to get it right.

"There is no movement to speak of now. The money of it is not my job but I have to be honest and truthful."

The transfer window closes on January 31, leaving Chelsea owner Roman Abramovich with little time to satisfy Lampard's demands amid talk of a potential move for Paris Saint Germain forward Edinson Cavani.

In the meantime, Lampard knows it is his job to get the best out of his current players, but he showed his frustration as he discussed their latest misfiring display.

"We work hard in front of goal and it is not coming off for us. It is going to define you. I feel like a broken record. We have the larger share of possession and shots on goal but not making those count," he said.

"My job is to work every day "It's a big test coming up for us. It's on the training ground with the players. Can we get better?"

AFP

Bayern thrash Schalke to cut Leipzig's lead to one point

OBERT Lewandowski hit his 21st league goal of the season as Bayern Munich thrashed Schalke 5-0 to cut RB Leipzig's lead at the top of the Bundesliga to one point on Saturday.

After Leipzig had crashed to a 2-0 defeat at Eintracht Frankfurt, Bayern seized the chance to trim the advantage with an emphatic win over David Wagner's young Schalke side.

"The Leipzig match beforehand didn't interest me, the main thing is we took three points and had a stability in our game which is very important," said Bayern coach Hansi Flick.

Lewandowski and Thomas Mueller scored first-half goals, then both had efforts disallowed for offside by VAR.

However, Leon Goretzka, Thiago Alcantara and Serge Gnabry netted second-half strikes as Bayern dominated at the Allianz Arena.

With less than six minutes played, Schalke goalkeeper Markus Schubert failed to deal with a cross and Lewandowski was on hand to hook the ball into the net.

The Polish star moved one clear of Leipzig's Timo Werner at the top of the Bundesliga scoring charts.

Schalke's Welsh forward Rabbi Matondo hit the crossbar soon after, but it was all Bayern after that.

Mueller tapped the ball past Schubert in the six-yard box on 17 minutes, but VAR intervened.

The stadium announcer was already celebrating when replays showed Benjamin Pavard was offside in the build-up as Lewandowski had an effort chalked off.

Bayern and Mueller were not to be denied and the former Germany forward howled with delight when he fired home Goretzka's header two minutes into first-half stoppage time.

It was Mueller's 100th goal at the



Mainz 05, at Borussia-Park in Monchengladbach, Germany, Saturday Jan. 25, 2020. (AP)

Allianz Arena.

The hosts came out flying after the break as Goretzka volleyed home against his former club on 50 minutes.

Lewandowski served up a simple tap-in for Alcantara eight minutes later as Schalke offered precious little resistance before Gnabry came on and marked his comeback from injury with a late fifth goal.

"It wasn't fun for us and it wasn't nice, but we'll learn from that," said Wagner.

- Leaders Leipzig crash -

Earlier, RB Leipzig coach Julian Nagelsmann was left ruing the leaders' "sloppy" performance in Frankfurt after their first defeat since October.

Leipzig have tough games coming up as they host third-placed Borussia Moenchengladbach next Saturday, then visit Bayern on February 9.

Second-half goals by Almamy Toure and Filip Kostic sealed victory for Frankfurt as Leipzig lost for the first time in 14 games in all competi-

"We were clearly the better team in the first half, but we were too sloppy with our goalscoring chances," admitted Nagelsmann, who said his team had trained poorly in midweek.

"When you look at our training on Wednesday, you realise that we are still far from being a top team.

"We're still at the top, but if we want to reach the summit 100 percent (and win the title), we'll have to work hard."

Elsewhere in the title race, Moenchengladbach came from behind to poach a 3-1 home win over Mainz.

- Gladbach fight back -

After Sweden forward Robin Quaison gave Mainz an early lead, Gladbach's French striker Alassane Plea scored two goals either side of halftime before substitute Florian Neuhaus grabbed a late third.

Jurgen Klinsmann's Hertha Berlin

bounced back from their 4-0 thumping at home to Bayern last Sunday, which left them hovering just above the relegation places, with a 2-1 win at Wolfsburg thanks to goals from Dodi Lukebakio and defender Jordan Torunarigha.

Paderborn moved off the bottom of the table with a 2-0 win at Freiburg, thanks to Christopher Antwi-Adjei's goal and a penalty by Abdelhamid

Union Berlin bounced back from their defeat at Leipzig with a 2-0 home win over Augsburg with goals from defender Neven Subotic and Marcus Ingvartsen.

Borussia Dortmund are fourth after Friday's 5-1 thrashing of Cologne as Norwegian teenager Erling Braut Haaland scored twice off the bench to give him a record five goals in his first two games for the club.

AFP

Barcelona's defeat at Valencia shows Setien the size of his task

VALENCIA, SPAIN

FOLLOWING narrow wins against Granada and Ibiza, Quique Setien failed his first major examination as Barcelona manager when the Blaugrana crumbled 2-0 against Valencia, their first defeat at Mestalla

Marc-Andre ter Stegen saved a first-half penalty from Maxi Gomez and Barca made it to half-time with the game goalless, but Jordi Alba put through his own goal three minutes after the break and, after Setien's men were unable to make their chances count, Gomez added the second in the 77th minute to seal Valencia's win.

For Barca, a sterile possession approach quickly changed to a "give it to Lionel Messi" stance after they fell behind. Their talisman ended the game with 11 shots, the most he has ever had in a Liga game without scoring.

The warning signs for Barcelona had been there against Ibiza in midweek, when the third division side scored with their first attack and could have been 3-0 in front by half-time. A late Antoine Griezmann brace spared humiliation, but Setien admitted he had been given a "fright."

Against Valencia, with no rescue job by his star men, he got a pasting. Setien suggested ahead of the game that "every day is a test" at Barcelona and this was his sternest yet.

The hosts won a penalty with their first attack and openings kept coming. After failing from the spot, Gomez hit the bar and Kevin Gameiro missed from the rebound; all the while. Ferran Torres was enjoying the freedom of the right flank.

Setien's discourse since taking over has focused on the need to have possession to maintain control. While Barcelona have the ball, he reasons, the opposition cannot score. When they lose it, they must win it back quickly, otherwise the defence is exposed. Such was the case against Ibiza and Valencia.

"The players still interpreting well what we want to do," Setien bemoaned after the loss. "Or maybe we're not explaining it well. No one likes what we've seen today. Positionally, there are things to correct and improve."

Messi can offset many a flaw, and he fizzed one effort just wide from 18 yards, then saw Gabriel Paulista



Quique Setien suffered his first loss as Barcelona manager as his side went down at Valencia. (Agencies)

emerge from nowhere to block what looked like a certain goal. Barca chances were few and far between, though, and Jaume Domenech had to make few saves you would not have expected him to stop.

This reality check brings into question whether renovations can be carried out in midseason, with Barca still competing for three trophies. Ernesto Valverde was sacked, in part, for being too pragmatic, but some might argue that was down to necessity; for example, is this Barcelona squad, packed with players over 30, capable of pressing high for 90 minutes?

if there is one thing to which Setien is committed, it is his philosophy; the one he links to the legendary Johan Cruyff and the one that almost exclusively landed him the job 12 days ago. He will not change.

"We have to adapt to the new coach, take on his ideas," Sergio Busquets said.

Barcelona have looked comfortable in possession under their new boss, but must speed up their ball circulation to create opportunities against better sides. It is true that Setien has not been helped by injuries: Luis Suarez is out for four

Time will provide the answers, and months, while Ousmane Dembele is two weeks away from a return. Real Madrid will top La Liga if they do not lose to Valladolid on Sunday, but winnable home games against Leganes and Levante lie ahead for Barcelona, as does time on the training ground to work on Setien's concepts.

They may have failed at Mestalla, but the 61-year-old is adamant about a style that, he believes, gives his teams the best chance of winning games. One flunked test will not see him change his ways, but many more days like this and he might not last beyond the summer.

(Agencies)



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Yanga knock Prisons out of Federation Cup

Bayern thrash Schalke to cut Leipzig's lead to one point

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2020 Azam Sports Federation Cup (ASFC), clobbering Prisons 2-0 in a fourth round duel, which was played in Dar es Salaam

By Guardian Reporter

yesterday. Simba, Ihefu FC, Mwan-



za's Gwambina FC, Tanga's Sahare All Stars, Alliance FC, and JKT Tanzania are the other squads, which have sailed through to the fifth round.

Yanga went 1-0 up on the 10th minute of the yesterday encounter, thanks to a spot kick taken by winger Bernard Morrison.

They had won the penalty when Prisons' fullback Michael Ismail was deemed to have blocked the ball with his hand within the box.

Ismail had tracked back to foil Yanga's attack, he then lost balance and his hand blocked a low cross whipped in by one of Yanga strikers.

Prisons had previously put Yanga defenders under pressure with a series of dangerous moves and the latter had to stand firm.

In one of Prisons' attempts to level matters, forward Ismail Aziz's effort on the 32nd minute was easily collected by Yanga keeper Metacha Mnata.

The hosts had several minutes back wasted a good chance when the visitors' defenders blocked a fierce shot by midfielder Mapinduzi Balama.

Prisons went close two minutes later, in which a dangerous dipping shot by midfielder Salum Kimenya from outside the penalty box hit Yanga's crossbar.

Kimenya, a few minutes later, wasted a glorious chance given he frustratingly unleashed an attempt which went way over

after he was set up by team mate.

Prisons trailed Yanga 1-0 after the completion of the first period.

Ivorian forward Yikpe Gislain netted the second for Yanga on the 63rd minute, beating Prisons' keeper Jeremiah Kisubi with a header.

Gislain had replaced David Molinga that had sustained an injury a few minutes into the second period.

Kisubi had to make quick reaction to keep Yanga forwards at bay several minutes later, preventing the latter from making matters worse for the opponents.

Mnata went for good clearance during the added on time, frustrating Prisons' Adili Buha from notching a goal for his squad.

Buha had pounced on rebound and unleashed a fierce effort from close range, attempting to make full use of an assist by team mate.

Yanga stood firm for the remaining minutes to eventually notch the victory.

Yanga will lock horns with Mwan-

za's Gwambina FC, which battles it out in the First Division League (FDL), in the fifth round of the event.

The Mwanza squad knocked Vodacom Premier League squad, Ruvu Shooting, out of the fourth round via penalty shootout in a match, which took place at Gwambina Stadium in Misungwi, a day before.

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Hales, Morris combine to keep Sydney Thunder alive

SYDNEY

SYDNEY Thunder gave themselves the best chance of qualifying for the Big Bash League finals and left the Perth Scorchers nervously awaiting other results with a rain-assisted victory at a humid Sydney Showgrounds. Needing a vast win to leapfrog Hobart Hurricanes and Brisbane Heat before sitting to wait on their fate, the Thunder corralled the Scorchers on a slow pitch, and then reeled in their DLS target with two balls to spare thanks to Alex Hales up top and then a late show by Chris Morris.

Perth had entered the game knowing that a win would guarantee them a finals place, but they must now wait to see how the Hurricanes and the Heat fare before being assured of their spot in the playoffs. The biggest contribution of the day was made by Hales with a shot-laden 47 from 27 balls, but it was arguably the rain that played the most pivotal role, ending the Scorchers' innings just when they looked to be rebuilding and also helping add a little more pace to the pitch for the Thunder.

Scorchers scotched by lack of pace

A parched Sydney Showgrounds pitch offered next to nothing in terms of what the Perth Scorchers love perhaps more than anything - pace on the ball. While the Thunder only chose one specialist spin bowler in wristspinner Jono Cook, all members of their bowling attack delivered a high proportion of slower balls, changeups and cutters to ensure the Scorchers were never able to find a batting rhythm.

This was best exemplified by Liam Livingstone, who has been brilliant for his hitting and boundary scoring power during this tournament. The combination of slow conditions and savvy bowling saw him battle his way to 20 from 27 balls without a single boundary, before eventually edging a Chris Tremain slower ball bouncer behind. It had been a swifter yorker that Morris fired through Josh Inglis, while Mitchell Marsh and Ashton Turner both miscued attempts to clear the boundary.

Bancroft, David rebound before showers

Heat and humidity in western Sydney had suggested the likelihood of rain, and as the clouds closed in, Cameron Bancroft and Tim David did their best to give the Scorchers something to bowl at. They were going well, having added 35 in 22 balls when the skies opened up, sending both sides scurrying from the field just at a moment when the visitors looked capable of setting something in the region of 150.

The rain was to be ruinous to the Scorchers on a couple of levels, not only resulting in a friendly DLS target of 96 in 12 overs for the Thunder, but also serving to dampen the outfield and add a little more zip tot he surface, the better for the Thunder to take on the new ball in their chase against a Scorchers attack that, with Morne Morkel included for the first time, would offer up plenty of pace to work with.

REUTERS

German fashion designers hold training in Morogoro

By Correspondent Michael

Sikapundwa,Morogoro

A society of retired officials in Germany has pledged its willingness to support efforts by Tanzania's female fashion designers to seek for global

The society move comes in the wake of high demand for Kitenge dress in such countries like United (UK), Kingdom South Africa and Namibia.

Angelika Ivanoski,one of the Germany society's representatives, headed to Morogoro last week to hold training for the region's female fashion designers.

Angelika said her arrival was motivated by fashion designer, Saida Msuya, the owner of Mama Halima Boutique African fashion shops in Morogoro, that has invested in the industry to, among others, help fellow women boost their income.

"She is a genuine iconic lady in 2019, I promised I will help her make her products better in 2020 because I have identified mistakes in designing men and women suits,as training continues, changes are gradually seen in products compared to three days I had stayed in

She promised to support domestic female fashion designers, who wish to capture world market, get quality fabric materials

the region," she disclosed.

Angelika pointed out fabric materials Tanzania's designers prefer should be related to their environment.



German fashion designer, Angelika Ivanoski(seated) instructs Morogoro's fashion designer, Saida Msuya, who owns Mama Halima African Fashion shops, on preparation of nen suits in the region recently. PHOTO: MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA

"Suits' fabric in Germany costs over 1m/- per meter, the outfits are worn in special occasion like political platform, or any other special event, the suits' styles are categorized due to a certain function," she disclosed.

designers have already improved and UK, from now the price of

in dressing styles' designing.

She pointed out they have opted out of ordinary methods for taking measurements, as instructed by Angelika.

"We hope to capture Africa's market as we have been receiving Saida pointed out over five orders from South Africa, Namibia

suit will increase from 100,000/to 150,000/- due to the quality of materials," Saida revealed.

Hamisi Msangi,a designer who attended the training, promised to support fellow Tanzanians learn the skills in an effort to maintain home market.

He pointed out the demand for

Kitenge dresses is high as there are plenty of people that need the

"I've realized I had previously always been leaving pieces of fabric after I had taken customers' measurements but I after the training, found out that not a single piece should be left," he disclosed.

Flexibles by David Chikoko

