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## Kenyan IGP appeals for heightened vigilance

NAIROBI

KENYAN police said Sunday called on the public to remain on high alert and be extra vigilant especially in populated public places in the wake of terror threats in the country.

Joseph Boinnet, Inspector General of Police, said security officers have stepped up surveillance across the country in the wake of a massive attack at DusitD2 Hotel on Jan. 15 in which 21 people were killed and the latest explosion in Nairobi on Saturday evening which left two people slightly injured.

"It is critical that all citizens must step up their levels of alertness regarding their surroundings and provide information immediately to the police in case anything out of the ordinary is observed," Boinnet said in a statement issued here.

He said the security forces have increased surveillance measures in key installations, private and public places.

**“The statement comes after two people were slightly injured on Saturday evening when an explosive device went off along a busy Nairobi street**

urging the public to exercise caution when dealing with people they feel have dubious motives.

The police chief advised against laxity in screening cars for explosives at all shopping malls and any business or social gatherings at any given moment as these places are known to be vulnerable to attacks.

"We also wish to inform the public that whilst we have stepped up alertness on our highways, all police commanders have been instructed to apply to a court of law for forfeiture of any vehicle found with illegal immigrants and any form of contraband," the police chief intoned.

He also called on hotel managers, landlords, churches and users of public service vehicles including educational institutions to always endeavor to establish the identity of customers entering their premises by examining their identification documents.

"We further advise that all hotel operators must obtain full details of their lodgers, and restaurant operators must also step up their levels of alertness and

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# Defaulting hunting firms now in permits lockout



CRDB Bank Managing Director Abdulmajid Nsekela (R) hands over a gift of picture to the bank's retired managing director Dr. Charles Kimei (2nd L) at the special farewell party held at Mlimani City Hall in Dar es Salaam over the weekend. Others are Dr. Kimei wife's Rose Kimei and the bank's board chairman, Ally Laay. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

## Mpina: Map out marine parks revenue strategy

By Guardian Reporter

LIVESTOCK and Fisheries minister Luhaga Mpina has directed the cash-strapped Marine Park and Reserves Unit (MPRU) to draft a strategy to advertise its attractions to investors and tourists so as to end dependence on government subsidies.

Speaking at the weekend during a visit to marine reserves of Mbudya and Bongoyo islands located off the northern coastline of the city of Dar es Salaam, Mpina wondered why despite being in charge of Tanzania's massive wealth of marine resources the unit still relies

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on government subsidies since its establishment in 1994.

He further directed that the strategy paper be presented to his office at the end of next month (February 28) showing a clear plan on how to popularize potential areas of investment and tourist destinations.

He said the strategy should not end at being a strategy but it must be implemented so that the unit does not receive a penny from the government in the next financial year, 2019/2020.

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## Map revisions: Loliondo residents sigh with relief

By Guardian Correspondent, Loliondo

IF there is one area which has been a hotspot for conflicts and chaos for nearly 60 years, then it is Loliondo, the Game Controlled Area located within Ngorongoro District, Arusha Region. But a recent order from President John Magufuli is likely to iron things out.

Residents of Loliondo and Sale divisions, along the northern borderline with Kenya, said in interviews last week that the presidential decree on villages mapped around game reserves and



Former Prime Minister Mizengo

national parks will settle all their claims.

The order that such villages should not be disturbed, even where parts of their precincts may slightly transcend village land and into reserves' boundaries is having ripples in Loliondo as in other places.

Speaking during a rally held at Loosito Village in Maaloni Ward, hundreds of Sale and Loliondo divisions' residents were of the view that even the long-reigning conflicts between herders and farmers, natives and investors will

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**“If a company fails to pay hunting fees to the villages, then it automatically disqualifies itself from operating in the country, effective from now”**

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

ISSUANCE OF new permits has been halted by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism to hunting concessions that have failed to settle payments to villages in which their activities take place.

The Deputy Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism, Constantine Kanyasu made the statement here over the weekend, when residents of 23 villages in Longido District lodged complaints against some hunting firms that breach contracts, by failing to settle their dues with local authorities.

Speaking during a joint meeting with the deputy minister, representatives of the 23 villages claimed that more than 329 million/- was owed to them by Green Miles Safaris Limited which conducts hunting activities in the area, but has not been paying village their stipulated dues.

However, Green Miles Safaris director Abdallah Salum Awadhi, who is currently out of the country, said many of the cash claims by villages were fabricated as he has been paying all his dues to local officials. He said he will table a detailed explanation and furnish official records to back up his position on the matter upon returning.

A total of 47 firms were granted hunting licences in various parts of the country and these are supposed

**“We can only renew operating licences for hunting firms and photographic safari firms after they come up with a clean slate of arrear payments from previous years' activities**

to settle annual fees amounting to US \$ 5000 to each of the villages in their precincts, money which is supposed to be invested in community development projects.

"If a company fails to pay hunting fees to the villages, then it automatically disqualifies itself from operating in the country, effective from now," said Kanyasu, noting that the directive applies to firms dealing in photographic safaris.

"We can only renew operating licences for hunting firms and photographic safari firms after they come up with a clean slate of arrear payments from previous years' activities," insisted the deputy minister.

He said that in addition to paying their levies to the villages, hunting firms were also obliged to assist in anti-poaching and illegal logging activities in the protected areas.

Longido District Commissioner Frank Mwaisumbe said that he previously contacted Green Miles Safaris management, which assured him that they will be settling their payments to the villages by January 3rd this year.

"But now they no longer respond to our calls. They refuse to turn up for meetings and as far as the villages' elders are concerned, the money was not paid as promised and company officials are nowhere to be seen," said the DC.

The DC also expressed concern over an incident of killing of 16 giraffes by poachers, within a space of three months last year. All this occurred in the hunting block belonging to Green Miles Limited, "indicating that there was some leniency in issues of security in the firm."

Kitumbeine Ward Councillor Timotheo Laizer and the Mdarara Ward Representative Aloyce Moshau

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## Norway dishes out 16bn/- to support development initiatives in Kigoma

By Correspondent Deogratius Nsokolo, Kigoma

NORWEGIAN government has dished out about 16bn/- to the local government authorities and the UN agencies in Kigoma to support development initiatives in the region.

The funds will support the implementation of the "UN Joint Programme for Kigoma Region" aimed at stimulating economic activities as well as fight against Gender Based Violence (GBV).

Speaking during the hand-over event here Norway ambassador to Tanzania Elizabeth Jacobsen said the fund will enable the region to accelerate the development.

Jacobsen visited various areas where the project is being implemented including those that are affected by the presence or the coming of refugees such as Kakonko, Kibondo, Kasulu and Kigoma.

The ambassador said that they decided to provide the amount of fund because Kigoma Region is situated in the border of the countries (Democratic Republic of Congo and Burundi) where a number of refugees come from.

"With this situation, there is a big concern for international committee to support the affected community due to the situation of refugees in their areas. This fund will also help in the campaigns to liberate or emancipate women and children from oppressions in fighting against violent acts practiced in their communities" she said.

For his part, coordinator of the UN

joint programme Evance Sangicha said that the fund will support four areas: Agriculture, social welfare, end violence against women and girls, improve water service and support young women and men economically.

Babu Paschal, the executive Director of Kigoma Vijana Development Alliance (KIVIDEA) the group commend Norway government for its support to end violence against women and girls in Kakonko, Kibondo and Kasulu.

"Kividea has joined the efforts since 2018, and has been using community awareness campaigns and peer education as channels to reach the community with the focus on youth... the fund will help us reach more youths and will help overcome some barriers that hinder women and youth to participate effectively in the production activities."

Kigoma Regional Commissioner, Brigadier General (rtd) Emanuel Maganga applauded the government of Norway, saying that it has been in a good cooperation with Tanzania for over 50 years by supporting various areas of development.

Kigoma Region has been a home for refugees for years, and hence the population to suffered economically and socially. For now, the region counts three refugee camps: Mtendeli in Kakonko District with about 100,000 refugees from Burundi, Nduta in Kibondo District with 120,000 refugees from Burundi and Nyarugusu in Kasulu District with 170,000 from DRC and Burundi.

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asked the ministry to direct hunting firms to forge good relations with local villages for effective performance and cooperation.

The Longido District Administrative Officer, Toba Nguvula directed that from now on all villages under his parish will not be allowed to enter into contracts directly with investors without first consulting the District Advisory Board.



Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa addresses a meeting of cashew nuts stakeholders in Mtwara Region yesterday. Left is Deputy Minister for Agriculture Omary Mgumba. Photo: PMO

## 16 Austrian companies arrive today to explore investment opportunities

By Guardian Reporter

REPRESENTATIVES of 16 Austrian companies are scheduled to arrive in the country today to explore investment opportunities in various sectors of the economy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs East African Regional and International Cooperation announced yesterday.

In a statement to the media, the ministry said the Austrian firms are interested in health, telecommunication and hydroelectricity among other sectors and the executives are to stay in the country until Wednesday.

"Delegates of eight companies are scheduled to meet various leaders in Dodoma on 29 January 2019 including Agriculture minister Japhet Hasunga, Energy minister Medard Kalemami, Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation minister Philip Mpango, minister for Health, Community Development, Gender and Children Umyy Mwalimu and minister Works, Transport and Communication Isack Kamwelwe," said the statement.

The aim of the meeting between the firms' executives and the ministers is for the potential investors to be informed

about various projects implemented by the ministries for them to be able to make investment decision, the ministry said in the statement.

The Austrian delegation is also scheduled to attend a business summit organized by the Tanzanian Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (TCCIA) which is taking place today at the Serena Hotel in Dar es Salaam.

Meanwhile, a delegation of three people from the Indian company Bureau Facility Services Pvt Ltd (CISB) is also scheduled to arrive in the country tomorrow to complete investment

processes in pharmaceutical, to explore investment opportunities in infrastructure development and hotel, the statement added.

"The delegation led by Alban Rodricks is expected to meet and hold talks with Natural Resources and Tourism minister Hamisi Kigwangalla, minister for Health, Community Development, Gender and Children Umyy Mwalimu, minister Works, Transport and Communication Isack Kamwelwe and minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (Investment) Angellah Kairuki," said the statement.



District Commissioner Jasinta Mboneko (2nd R), displays some of marijuana to journalists shortly after the police discovered a seven acres marijuana farm and arresting two owners Mabula Dotto and Kashinje Msumbi (not in picture) at Kasingili village, Ilola ward in Shinyanga rural over the weekend. Photo: Correspondent Marco Maduhu

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come to an end. The catalyst behind the problem was limited land and fear of impending evictions, some of them affirmed.

Special Seats Councillor for Sale Division, Kijoolu Kakeya, said residents in the two divisions have been living in stressful uncertainty for six decades.

They were always waking up to threats of forced removals, cattle confiscation and court summons related to issues of 'trespassing' into game reserves.

"There have been so many statements both negative and positive, but eventually it all boiled down to the fact that native residents, their villages and livestock were unwanted elements in this part of the country," said Kakeya, noting that at last with the president's order, people can finally 'sleep without nightmares.'

Traditional elder Justin Nokoron, the Piyaya ritual headman (laigwanan), asked local leaders to ensure that the presidential directives are executed to the last word. "We do not want

to experience previous instances of officials breaching government orders," he declared.

According to Laigwanan Nokoron, there was a time when former Prime Minister Mizengo Pinda visited Loliondo and directed that border demarcations aimed at robbing residents their land should be halted, but local officials ignored him.

Tabling a statement from the Pastoral Communities in Loliondo, the Ngorongoro District Council chairman, Mathew Siloma said in the past the

54,000 residents, with over 784,000 livestock between them, were squeezed into a tiny 116 square kilometres of land, which was basis for regular conflicts related to the scramble for land and water sources.

"This same piece of land was also expected to cater for health services, schools, residences, trading activities and an airstrip," pointed out Siloma, underlining that it was nothing short of a miracle to have all these activities bundled into a tiny space without violence breaking out.

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frustrated MPRU by misleading wananchi who invade protected marine reserves, the minister told the employees under the unit to be bold as the law is clear on what is legal and what is not.

"If anyone misleads wananchi, arrest and prosecute them like any other offenders regardless of their positions," he said.

The minister also gave a one month ultimatum to investors who entered contracts with the marine entity to pay up a debt of 331.2m/- in fees or risk revocation of their licences and legal action.

He said there are investors who entered contracts with MPRU some years ago but have since failed to develop the areas as per the agreement nor have they paid the relevant fees.

Saying that such investors are "unprepared," he accused them of standing on the way of efforts being made by the government to develop beaches and islands not only as recreation centres but also sources of

income from tourism.

He said investment in marine parks and reserves is among the lowest in the country as those who masquerade as investors have not made any efforts to advertise those attractions through billboards, along with mainstream and social media.

This, he said, make the otherwise beautiful tourism hotspots unknown to both local and foreign tourists hence failing to obtain millions of shillings potential revenue from tourism.

For his part, MPRU manager John Komakoma promised to work on the minister's directives so that the unit contributes to the national economy by attracting investors and tourist to the areas it administers.

Komakoma said review of the Marine Parks and Reserves Act No 29 of 1994 is underway to expand its mandate to include major rivers, dams and lakes all over the country.

In the financial year 2017/2018 the unit received a total of 45,000 tourists of whom 26,000 were local and 19,000 foreign. The visitors brought in 1.6bn/- in revenue, the manager added.

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security in their establishments," Boinnet said.

The statement comes after two people were slightly injured on Saturday evening when an explosive device went off along a busy Nairobi street.

Nairobi police commander Philip Ndolo said a man of Somali descent had reportedly hired a trolley pusher to move a carton box within the city when the package exploded.

The device inside the box is suspected to have been an improvised explosive device, he said, injuring the trolley pusher and a newspaper vendor.

The East African nation faces insecurity as bomb attacks using improvised explosive devices and grenades have been reported in Nairobi, north eastern and coastal regions since Kenyan soldiers entered Somalia in 2011 to secure the shared border with the lawless country.



Ride and risk for both the passenger and the motorcyclist. A responsible motorcyclist will make certain that the passenger is wearing all recommended and required protective gear. The scene was captured by our photographer at Bonga Mengwa in Coast Region over the weekend. Photo: Halima Kambi

By Correspondent James Kandoya, Mvomero

THE government yesterday launched a door to door programme to tracing and screening campaign to households living with people affected by leprosy to prevent them from it.

Transmitted through coughing or sneezing, Leprosy Day is marked in January every year. This year was it was marked yesterday.

The Deputy Minister for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children Dr Faustine Ndugulile said that the move is aimed at promoting zero infection rate.

He was speaking at the 60th anniversaries of the Germany Leprosy and TB Relief Association (GLRA) that moved concurrently with World Leprosy Day that was held at Chazi village in Turiani, Mvomero District, Morogoro Region.

He said all those screened and found with symptoms will be given treatment while others will be given grugs for prevention, saying the priority should be in ten regions with high prevalence rates.

He added that more efforts should be directed to twenty district councils with high prevalence rates to ensure the disease was eradicated in the country by 2020.

He named some of them as Liwale in rural Lindi, Mkinga and Muheza in Tanga Region, Chato in Geita Region Morogoro, Kilombero, Ifakara Town Council and Mvomero all in Morogoro Region.

“Our target is ensure that as a nation we reach zero infection. I call upon all responsible departments and stakeholders

# Govt now launches nation-wide awareness campaign on leprosy

to work hard in the war against the disease.

“As a government, we real appreciate the support from GLRA for sixty years. I would like to assure you that we are going to change the lives of many people,” he said.

According to the deputy minister, the increased awareness to the community was highly needed to end the stigma.

Representing the World Health Organisation, the National Professional Officer for Neglected Tropical Disease Dr Alphoncina Nanai highlighted the need to increase the capacity to fight the disease.

She said in the country about 2200 are diagnosed per year while up to 16 million people in the world were affected.

She added that since 1995 WHO had been providing medicine to people found with the symptoms.

For his part, the GLRA country representative Burchad Rwamtoga said that a remarkable success had been achieved including re-integration of leprosy affected families from settlement to community 120 families (739 members)

He said other were physical rehabilitation of people with disabilities due to leprosy; surgery and provision of 2,655 devices.

These are surgeries 1,650, prosthesis 500 and wheelchairs 55.

Rwamtoga added that also provision of special footwear to people with disabilities due to leprosy 95,500 pairs (47,250 people) 897.75m/.

“The aim of the activities is to advocate for sport from various stakeholders in leprosy intervention,” he said.

“We look forward to strengthen our bilateral cooperation in health to end leprosy,” he added.

He listed other success as logistics support to regional health management teams for monitoring the provisions health services in 26 Tanzania mainland regions and Zanzibar regions; 270 vehicles (9.45 bn/-).

Others were training of government health and social workers in leprosy control as well as self help to 50 groups of people with disabilities.

It was reported recently that low awareness and stigma among Tanzanians derail government efforts to eliminate leprosy with almost 2,000 new cases detected every year, senior official in the Ministry of Health has observed.

Dr Deus Kamara told the Guardian in an exclusive interview held in Dar es Salaam ahead of leprosy World Day that will be held January on 27th this year in Morogoro Region with a theme “Ending Discrimination, Stigma and Prejudice”.

He said majority of people affected by leprosy are believed to experience some form of stigma and discrimination adding that it has adverse impact on mental health issues, such as depression or anxiety.

# Water pipes turned into bracelets, earrings, after 3bn/- project fails

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

RESIDENTS of ten villages in Karatu District have been accused of sabotaging the water network system in the precinct by digging up underground pipes that they then cut to make ornaments including hand bracelets and earrings.

The Karatu District Council

chairman, Engineer Jubilate Mnyenye said the water project was established in the area, some eight years ago, back in 2013, at the cost of 3bn/- but somehow due to the narrow pipes, the water pressure proved to be too much for the supply system which busted within the initial flow.

“So, the water project has thus remained a ‘white elephant,’ and

when the villagers realised that, water won't be coming through, they started sabotaging the whole system by digging out the pipes and converting the materials into art objects of culture, including earrings, bracelets and other ornaments,” stated the Council chairman.

Deputy Minister for Water and Irrigation, Jumaa Aweso who visited

the project, has ordered that the district water engineer, who was in office at the time of the project execution, mentioned by the name of Engineer Tulinumpoki Mwakalukwa, should be hunted and give answers the allegations for the failed project.


For her part, the Karatu District Commissioner, Theresia Mahongo said the Karatu township was still facing lack

of clean and safe water supply, pointing out that, the urban centre with nearly 52,000 residents, has only 35 per cent of its population having piped water.

“Karatu needs a total of 4700 litres of water daily. However, the supply has stagnated to 720 litres only,” she said. The District Commissioner, requested the Deputy Water Minister to help push for the funds that will enable Karatu

accomplish ongoing water projects as well as repairing damaged ones.

Mahongo reminded that, Karatu, being gateway to Ngorongoro Crater, the Serengeti and Lake Manyara national parks, was essentially a tourist hotspot which needed all the basic services including water and electricity, adding that the precinct was home to 48 tourist hotels and lodges.



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## PUBLICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2018 (Amount in Million Shillings)		
	Current Quarter 31st December 2018	Previous Quarter 30th September 2018
<b>A ASSETS</b>		
1 Cash	719.43	732.84
2 Balances with Bank of Tanzania	4,529.93	4,061.15
3 Investment in Government Securities	22,747.69	23,449.07
4 Balances with other banks and Financial Institution	754.13	1,031.64
5 Cheques and item for Clearing	93.33	32.00
6 Inter branch float items	0.00	0.00
7 Bills negotiated	0.00	0.00
8 Customer Liabilities for Acceptances	0.00	0.00
9 Interbank Loan Receivables	36,079.07	38,763.24
10 Investment in other securities	0.00	0.00
11 Loans, advances and Overdrafts (Net of allowances for probable losses)	34,797.67	27,287.33
12 Other Assets	1,523.57	1,787.84
13 Equity Investments	0.00	0.00
14 Underwriting Accounts	0.00	0.00
15 Property, Plant and Equipment	946.37	998.15
16 TOTAL ASSETS	102,191.19	98,143.26
<b>B LIABILITIES</b>		
17 Deposits From Other Banks and Financial	37,602.23	36,217.12
18 Customer Deposits	28,960.70	26,631.34
19 Cash Letters of Credit	0.00	0.00
20 Special Deposits	0.00	0.00
21 Payment Orders /Transfers Payable	0.00	0.00
22 Bankers cheques and Drafts issued	7.51	12.70
23 Accrued taxes and expenses payable	1,087.70	1,057.07
24 Acceptances Outstanding	0.00	0.00
25 Interbranch float items	0.00	0.00
26 Unearned income and other deferred charges	0.00	0.00
27 Other Liabilities	115.53	16.81
28 Borrowings	0.00	0.00
29 TOTAL LIABILITIES	67,773.67	63,935.04
30 NET ASSETS / (LIABILITIES) 16 Minus 29	34,417.52	34,208.22
<b>C SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS</b>		
31 Paid Up Share Capital	32,830.00	32,830.00
32 Capital Reserves	522.92	460.00
33 Retained Earnings	276.08	339.00
34 Profit/(Loss) Account	788.52	579.21
35 Other Capital Accounts	0.00	0.00
36 Minority Interest	0.00	0.00
37 TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS	34,417.52	34,208.21
<b>D SELECTED FINANCIAL CONDITION INDICATORS</b>		
(i) Shareholders Funds to Total Assets	33.68%	34.86%
(ii) Non performing loans to total gross loans	0.00%	0.00%
(iii) Gross loans and advances to Total Deposits	52.47%	43.58%
(iv) Loans and advances to Total assets	34.17%	27.91%
(v) Earning Assets to Total Assets	92.24%	92.24%
(vi) Deposit Growth	5.91%	14.08%
(vii) Assets Growth	4.12%	9.18%

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018 (Amount in Million Shillings)				
	Current Quarter 31st December 2018	Comparative Quarter Previous Year 31st December 2017	Current Year Cumulative 31st December 2018	Comparative Previous Year Cumulative 31st December 2017
Interest Income	1,814.78	1,546.95	6,687.23	5,578.83
Interest Expenses	579.22	384.97	2,125.40	1,002.34
Net Interest Income (1 minus 2)	1,235.56	1,161.98	4,561.83	4,576.49
Bad debts written off	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Impairment Losses on loans and Advances	25.00	0.00	125.00	0.00
Non - Interest Income	157.84	65.63	672.27	344.34
6.1 Foreign Currency Dealings and Translation	24.01	21.81	80.74	64.21
6.2 Fees and Commission	133.83	43.82	591.53	280.13
6.3 Dividend Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6.4 Other Operating Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non - Interest Expenses	974.09	1,058.63	3,930.58	4,091.90
7.1 Salaries and Benefits	319.19	382.67	1,263.13	1,244.92
7.2 Fees and Commissions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7.3 Other Operating Expenses	654.90	675.96	2,667.45	2,846.98
Operating Income/(Loss)	394.31	168.98	1,178.52	828.93
Income Tax Provision	185.00	0.00	390.00	252.88
Net income (loss) after income tax	209.31	168.98	788.52	576.05
Number of Employees	20	16	20	16
Basic Earnings Per Share	6	4	24	18
Diluted Earnings Per Share	6	4	24	18
Number of branches	1	1	1	1
<b>SELECTED PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</b>				
Return on average total assets (%)	0.21%	0.16%	0.79%	0.94%
Return on average shareholders' funds (%)	0.61%	0.36%	2.30%	1.73%
Non interest expenses to gross income (%)	49.38%	65.65%	53.41%	69.08%
Net Interest Income to average earning assets Annualized (%)	5.35%	6.92%	4.93%	8.45%

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018 (Amount in Million Shillings)				
	FOR CURRENT QUARTER ENDED 31st December 2018	FOR PREVIOUS QUARTER ENDED 30th Sept 2018	Current Year Cumulative Date: 31st December 2018	Previous Year Cumulative Date: 31st December 2017
<b>I Cash flow from operating activities</b>				
Net Income (Loss)	209.31	209.49	788.52	576.93
Adjustment for:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Impairment / Amortization	324.82	357.00	1,369.82	1,194.31
-Net change in loans and advances	(7,510.34)	-1,003.50	(15,111.84)	-9,044.79
Gain/Loss on Sale of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-Net change in Deposits	3,714.47	7,750.40	21,294.79	35,219.86
-Net Change in Short term negotiable securities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-Net Change in Other Liabilities	124.16	283.20	640.95	479.19
-Net change in Other Assets	(36.38)	51.28	-171.72	-243.22
-Tax paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	-3,173.96	7,653.87	8,501.52	28,182.28
<b>II Cash flow from Investment activities</b>				
Dividend Received	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Purchase of fixed assets	-33.73	1.94	-94.56	-746.86
Proceeds from sale of Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Purchase of non-dealing securities	701.38	-2,843.16	-974.14	-10,190.55
Proceeds from sale of non-dealing securities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	667.65	-2,841.22	-1,068.70	-10,937.41
<b>III Cash flow from financing activities</b>				
Repayment of long-term debt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Proceeds from issuance of long term debt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Proceeds from issuance of share capital	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payment of cash dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net change in other borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others - Specify	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>IV Cash and Cash Equivalents:</b>				
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalent	-2,506.31	4,812.65	7,432.82	17,244.87
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the Quarter/Year	44,588.87	39,776.22	34,649.74	17,404.87
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of	42,082.56	44,588.87	42,082.56	34,649.74

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2018						
	Share Capital	Share Premium	Retained Earnings	Regulatory Reserve	General Provision Reserve	Others
Current Year 2018						
Balance as at the beginning of the year	32,830.00	0.00	339.00	0.00	460.00	0.00
Profit for the year	0.00	0.00	788.52	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Comprehensive Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transactions with owners	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividends Paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Regulatory Reserve	0.00	0.00	-22.30	22.30		

# Kamuzora promotes cross border business in Kagera

By Guardian Correspondent, Kagera

THE Kagera Regional Administrative Secretary, Prof Faustine Kamuzora has warned government officials who hinder business growth and development along the regional borders with Uganda, saying cross border businesses had proved worthwhile to economy of the areas.

Prof Kamuzora who was recently appointed to the post said during his tour to inspect development activities especially in the districts bordering Uganda, called on the citizens in the areas to embrace businesses opportunities available in their areas.

"Border between a country and another is an opportunity to people living in the area to grab the opportunities in the area. People should use border areas to do businesses and improve their standards of living provided that they abide by all the legal requirements. Our role as the government is to make sure that these people are benefiting, we should not be

obstacles for them to advance," he said.

Prof Kamuzora toured Tanzanian borders with Uganda in Misenyi District namely Kabindi, Kashenye, Mtukula and Bugango as well as Murongo in Kyerwa District where he met citizens and officials working in the areas to discuss ways of improving their environment to fully benefit from opportunities available in their environs. The tour comes at a time when the Kagera regional authority has termed 2019 the year of boosting revenue collections from both big and small businesspeople as well as ensuring that they are benefiting from their businesses.

"The government must understand challenges being faced by business people and find solutions in a bid to ensure that citizens are benefiting from opportunities available in their areas and are paying taxes," he said.

Fishermen in Misenyi told Prof Kamuzora that they are facing challenges in finding markets notwithstanding the fact that in the

neighbouring Uganda the market is available and offers good prices but they are not allowed to trade there.

Prof Kamuzora assured the fishermen that the government will make sure that in case the local market is satisfied and there are good deals in Uganda, they are allowed to sell their merchandise there provided that all the legal procedures are followed, adding that local factories should also make sure that they offer better deals.

Speaking to all the government departments' workers serving in Mtukula, Prof Kamuzora urged them not to be obstacles to people who are doing businesses along the border but rather to facilitate and extend a helping hand to them.

"In other countries people living along the borders are rich because they are given opportunities to interact and do businesses provided that they follow all the laws and regulations of the country. We should act as a light of the world and show a way instead of becoming obstacles," he said.



Regional Administrative Secretary, Prof Faustine Kamuzora (L) shares a light moment with Home Affairs Minister Kangi Lugola when they met in Dodoma over the weekend. The duo once worked together under the Vice-President's Office. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

By Beatrice Philemon

OVER 4000 villagers at Ngurdoto, Meru District in Arusha Region are set to benefit from a 150m/- solar power plant thanks to Korean government for making it a reality.

The 6.5kw plant has been built by the Arusha-based Innovative Technology and Energy centre (ITEC).

Speaking during the official opening of the plant, ITEC managing director Dr. Herb Rhee said that the project will among others enable villagers to set-up income generating activities and fight poverty.

According to him, so far about 43 houses including one kindergarten classroom had been connected to solar

## Over 4,000 villagers in Arusha benefit from solar power plant

power as well as installing 10 street lights for security purposes.

The project will continue to more houses at Msesweni village because the majority of people do not have access to electricity.

Dr Rhee said that the ownership of the plant will be transferred to Ngurdoto village and power connection will be charged to households in accordance with their usage. Also ITEC will install smart meters to monitor the power usage profile for each house.

He highlighted that during the implementation monthly fee will be collected by village committee and

the money will be also managed by committee.

"The collected money will be submitted to the village committee to pay small salaries to the solar power plant manager as well as pay for expenses for operations and maintenance of the plant," he said.

This is the second solar power plant; the first plant was built at Mkalama village in Hai District, Kilimanjaro Region.

For his part, village chairman, Moses Ayo expressed his gratitude to the Korean government for bringing the light to the darkness.

"We are very happy today because we have lived in darkness since 1973, we normally use traditional kerosene lamps 'kibatari', fire torches to light our homes," he noted.

According to him, the project will also provide room for villagers to reduce health hazards by enabling replacement of kerosene lamps, fire torch and smoky kerosene lamp that harms their eyes and respiratory system.

Currently Ngurdoto village has five suburbs comprising 4000 residents and among those, only one suburb has been connected to electricity.

"We still need electricity for irrigation farming activities, typing, domestic use and other income generating activities," he noted.

Speaking during the occasion, Arumeru District Commissioner, Jerry Muro said the government will continue to working closely with stakeholders to solve challenges facing people in their areas.

He lauded the Korean government for the support, saying it will help to create employment opportunities for youths, as well as scaling up businesses and education in the area.

"We have already formed village

committee that will collect money from villagers, the funds will be used for maintenance and operation of the plant to help people continue to access power for their domestic and commercial use," he noted.

Muro called on village committee to refrain from political issues that raise conflicts to the community but rather focus on helping people to solve the challenges they are facing.

"Students will also get an opportunity to study and do their assignments during the evening something which will rise their performances in class and examinations."



### Consultancy to Advice on PASS Network Revamp

#### Terms of Reference

#### 1. Background on the PASS Trust:

The Private Agricultural Sector Support (PASS) Trust was established by the governments of Tanzania and Denmark in November 2000 and became operational in 2001 as a facility to increase growth of private commercial farming and agribusiness. From the outset, PASS was established as a project facility. In 2007 PASS was registered as an autonomous body corporate under the trustee laws of Tanzania.

#### 2. Objective of Technical Assistance:

PASS wants to improve its network infrastructure and thus making a good communication link between Its Headquarters and its six (6) branches. The aim is to have a network infrastructure that is centered and faster compared to the current network infrastructure.

The new network infrastructure should now focus more on improving the security aspect and also the connectivity between PASS HQ and the upcountry offices.

The consultant will work under the close management of PASS in collaboration with the administration department in Dar es salaam. The contact person for this activity is the IT officer. The consultant will be engaged by PASS in accordance with the procurement guidelines.

#### 3. Objective of the consultancy:

The objectives of this consultancy are:

- To review and identify gaps in the current network infrastructure. The consultant will have to diagnose and provide a clear demonstration of the loopholes in the current network infrastructure.
- To advise and develop a new proposal of the network infrastructure so as to ensure availability of service.
- To scan the market and advice on the best internet service provider (ISP) PASS should go with to ensure maximum internet connection and value for money.
- After recommendations on selection of ISP; the consultant shall work closely with PASS IT officer to ensure that the selected ISP has successfully completed the proposed new setup of the network infrastructure.
- Provide support to PASS for at least 3 months after commissioning of a new ISP, and maintain up-to-date network support information for PASS and in-house support requirements, including Disaster Recovery (DR) provisions (as well as keeping familiar with these provisions).
- Ensure compliance with relevant security policies and practices in all areas

#### 4. Deliverables:

- A comprehensive consultancy report with recommendations to PASS Trust
- Operational Manual and illustrations of the new network infrastructure.
- Exit report (after 3 months support) showing performance of the new ISP, effectiveness of the DR, and other issues observed
- Presentation of above reports (a-c) to PASS Trust.

#### 5. Timeline

The work should be completed within 30 days from date of contract award.

#### 6. Background & Skills

- High level of competency in Network and networking field.
- Good working knowledge of Microsoft Operating Systems, Cisco IOS, Linux CLI, network protocols.
- A high level of literacy and numeracy – good knowledge of IPv4 addressing and subnetting.
- Strong problem diagnosis and investigation skills.
- Knowledgeable on ISP providers.

#### 7. How to Apply

Interested consultants should submit the following documents to [procurement@pass.or.tz](mailto:procurement@pass.or.tz) by 08th February 2019:

- Technical Proposal that includes the consultant's understanding of the TOR, a detailed methodology, schedule of activities, and the suitability of the consultant.
- Financial Proposal that includes the consultancy fee, other related expenses and appropriate taxes.
- A cover letter and up-to-date CV(s).

Applicants will be shortlisted based on ability to deliver the work and value for money. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for further discussions.



### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFQ)

#### PASS Digital Credit Guarantee Service Provider

#### Terms of Reference

#### 1. Background on the PASS Trust:

The Private Agricultural Sector Support (PASS) Trust was established by the governments of Tanzania and Denmark in November 2000 and became operational in 2001 as a facility to increase growth of private commercial farming and agribusiness. From the outset, PASS was established as a project facility. In 2007 PASS was registered as an autonomous body corporate under the trustee laws of Tanzania.

PASS is offering a range of Business Development Services (BDS) and agri-financial services in agriculture development. The range of BDS services provided include feasibility studies and business plans for prospective bank clients, farmer groups formation, farmers and agribusinesses capacity building (training), facilitate contract farming and other market linkages, linking guaranteed beneficiaries with other development partners and commercial enterprises in the provision of specialized BDS services such as good agricultural practices (GAP) and extension services. PASS also provides credit guarantees for de-risk lending of loans to agricultural sector by 15 collaborating banks in Tanzania. PASS wishes to extend its credit guarantees to de-risk lending through the digital platforms by both Banks and Mobile Network Operators (MNO's).

#### 2. Objective of Digital Credit Guarantee Service Provider:

According to Fin scope report 2017 indicate that the growth in access to formal financial services is mainly driven by mobile money. Only 1.1% of adults used mobile money in 2009, but this had risen to 49.9% by 2013. In 2017, 63% of the population have mobile phones and 16.6 million individuals have access to mobile money services. They use the mobile access to pay bills, make transfers to family and friends and conduct business transactions. This represents a dramatic change compared to only few years back. The use of mobile money is evolving from simple transactions such as transfers, to now also being used for savings. Mobile phones are expected to become a major source of all financial transactions.

In adaption to the current trend of technology and high usage of mobile phones by individuals, PASS Trust realized that it is significant to develop digital credit guarantee scheme using mobile service operators found in Tanzania, this will assure farmers to access loans using their mobile phone through the mobile service operators. The loan received by farmers from the mobile operator will be backed up with PASS Trust guarantee.

Initiating the digital credit guarantee scheme using mobile phone fully integrated with digital credit providers (e.g. Banks and mobile network operators (MNO's)), which will enable PASS Trust to reach more farmers since most of farmers have mobile phones with limited access to credit. The introduction of digital credit guarantee scheme will enhance the outreach of digital credit providers in the agribusiness sector in Tanzania, as the same will de-risk credit provision on mobile platforms. The digital guarantee system developer (service provider) will work under the close management of PASS in collaboration with the IT officer in Dar es salaam. The contact person for this activity is the Director of Finance and Administration. The service provider will be engaged by PASS in accordance with the PASS procurement guidelines.

#### 3. Scope of work or service to be provided:

The digital guarantee service providers shall deliver the following:

- Draft of the proposed system infrastructure.
- Develop and design a fully integrated digital credit guarantee system for PASS.
- Provide a web portal, mobile app and also provision of USSD Mobile Service
- System integration with third party applications.
- Operational guide and provision of maintenance and full support.
- Assurance of quality of service of the system provided.
- Assurance of standard security features of the whole system.
- Provide multilingual support for all end user product/service implemented in the platform
- Auto generation of analytics report.

#### 4. Deliverables:

- A digital guarantee system for PASS fully integrated with digital credit providers
- A comprehensive digital credit guarantee scheme report that shows the operations, integrations and functionalities of the entire system.
- Operational Manual and illustrations of the digital guarantee scheme.
- Presentation/mockup/illustration of the digital credit guarantee system to PASS Trust.

#### 5. Timeline

The work should be completed within 6 months with a series of presentation to PASS Trust to understand the progress after every one month from date of contract award.

#### 6. Background & Skills

- High level of competency especially in system design and development.
- Good working knowledge of enterprise systems and also data management.
- A description of your company with evidence of your company's capacity to perform these services required, including:
  - Company profile
  - registration certificate
  - ISO 270 27001 certificate
  - PCI DSS – PCI Security Standards Council certificate
  - Any other security certificates.
- Experience in the business, the number of successfully completed and/or on-going projects in the region.
- Competency in system architect and system infrastructure.

#### 7. How to Apply

Interested service providers should submit the following documents to [toprocurement@pass.or.tz](mailto:toprocurement@pass.or.tz) by Monday 25th February, 2019.

- Technical Proposal that includes the service provider's understanding of the TOR, a detailed methodology, schedule of activities, and the suitability of the service provider.
- Financial Proposal that includes the service provision fee, other related expenses and appropriate taxes.
- A cover letter and up-to-date CV(s) of key personnel for this assignment.

Applicants will be shortlisted based on ability to deliver the work and value for money. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for further discussions.



Parliamentary Land, Natural Resources and Tourism Committee Chairman Nape Nnauye (3rd L), explains a point to some committee members when they made a two-day tour to evaluate the implementation of the project to promoting and developing southern tourism at Ruaha National Park in Iringa Region over the weekend. Photo: MNRT

## UDSM set to host African humanities consultative assembly in Dar this week

By Aisia Rweyemamu

THE University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM) will this week host the African Humanities Programme (AHP) consultative regional assembly, among other things to deliberate the status of humanity in African universities.

The three days assembly expected to bring together delegates from various countries including United States of America (USA), South Africa (SA), Ghana, Uganda and Nigeria.

Speaking about the conference the Director of Public Service (DPS) at UDSM, Dr. Mona Mwakalinga said the conference scheduled to start on Wednesday to Friday this week of which the first two days are for deliberating on the publication and mentorship of African university and on the third day (Friday) set for books launching at the new library at the university.

The first regional assembly took place Uganda in 2017 hosted by Makerere University, the second one was in Ghana hosted by Ghana University in 2018, and this year is taking place in Tanzania where the UDSM is honoured to host the conference.

Dr. Mona added that the conference is effectively organised by UDSM in partnership with AHP. The AHP has worked to reinvigorate the humanities in Africa through fellowship competitions and related activities in Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda.

She added that among other things to be discussed is the importance of humanities at the universities and everyday life, and importance of providing funding for the programme.

Dr. Mona noted that, the conference is also part of 10 years celebrations of AHP funding Africa whereby Tanzania had been a very good recipient of the grants as over 40 individual scholars had received AHP grants.

"A lot has been done most of scholars who receive AHP grants published books based on humanity, write

journal articles which helped them to be promoted and expanded the network base", Dr. Mona explained.

Adding, through the AHP the University of Dar es Salaam represented well in various countries and the collaboration between UDSM and other university grow.

Speaking about books launching, the DPS said "We are also celebrating the fruits of AHP scholars through their publications, therefore five books had been written by AHP scholars from Tanzania, Ghana, South Africa, Nigeria and Uganda.

The five books to be launched are titled, "Consensus as democracy in Africa, The Anglophone literary discourse, Language and the construction of multiple identities in the Nigerian novel, The making of an organic intellectual and Posthumous of offspring in a contemporary Yoruba. The main speaker of the books launching is Prof. Issa Shivji

However, over the past 10 years, the AHP offered African scholars an integrated set of opportunities to develop individual capacities and to promote formation of scholarly networks. AHP supported Carnegie's efforts to develop and retain African academics at universities in Africa.

Among AHP goals is to encourage and enable the production of new knowledge and new directions for research and strengthening the capacity of early career researchers and faculty at African universities.

Other goals is to build the field of humanities by establishing networks for scholarly communication across Africa and with Africanists worldwide.

Over 10 annual programme competitions (2008-2018), more than 400 scholars early in their careers received research support. American Council of Learned Society (ACLS) has created a network of over 100 senior scholars at the African universities, who served as peer reviewers and advisers.

By Correspondent Deogratius Nsokolo, Uvinza

## 40 per cent of pupils dropout from school due to pregnancy

FORTY per cent of secondary school students in Uvinza District, Kigoma Region dropout from school every year due to early pregnancy, and poverty according to senior official from the Ministry of Education.

District's assistant education officer, Elizabeth Deya, said in an interview that many students in the district travel about 10 to 40 kilometres to reach their schools.

This, the official said that some girls get into traps as they end up into the hands of motorcyclists popularly known as 'bodaboda' riders as they seek easy transport to their respective schools. "This is also one of the causes of early pregnancy," the official said.

She also noted that some girls get pregnancy due to poverty as some parents cannot afford to pay rent, daily meals and school equipment for their children.

"This is one of the reasons for school

dropout," she added.

According to Deya, the district has sixteen secondary schools located in rural areas at ward level, so the selected students from villages are supposed to rent a house or a room in the villages where school are located. Lagosa secondary school situated at the south of Uvinza District, Igalula ward along Lake Tanganyika shore, is one of the schools facing such challenges.

Head girl at Lagosa secondary school, Theresia Daniel said that before the construction of the school girls' dormitory, girls suffered a lot because of renting rooms in the village.

"Boys at the village used to disturb us and some of colleagues fell into traps and ended up being pregnant

and because of that many students were expelled from school," she said.

Theresia added that the dormitory supported by Tuungane environment project at the school is going to help girl students to learn in conducive environment.

According to manager of Tuungane project, Lukindo Hizza, they supported the school with about 330m/-to construct the dormitory which is going to accommodate 80 students.

Lukindo said plans were underway to dig a well in order for the school to have water around it. One of the donors who contributed the grant through Tuungane environment project, from African Affinity Group, Craig Leisher said that they are concerned with the

problems because they work and live in the same area while students are were not studying in good environment, so they decide to solicit funds from friends from America and the rest of the world especially women who also contributed.

District Administrative Secretary Upendo Malango on behalf of Uvinza District Commissioner, said when she was addressing students, teachers and parents during the inauguration of the dormitory the District faced a major problem of pupils dropout from school, so they needed support from each person, local authorities and development partners to build girls and boys dormitories in every school within the district.



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITH HEIFER INTERNATIONAL RE-ADVERTISEMENT

Heifer International is a global non-profit, humanitarian development organization founded by Dan West in 1944 dedicated to ending hunger and poverty and caring for the Earth by empowering smallholder farm families around the globe become self-reliant and attain sustainable livelihood through economically viable animal agricultural enterprise. The global headquarters is located at 1 World Avenue, Little Rock Arkansas, USA.

Heifer International is currently implementing the East Africa Youth Inclusion Program (EAYIP) in Uganda and Tanzania with funding from MasterCard Foundation. EAYIP's overarching program goal is to improve the livelihoods of 25,000 youth aged between 15-24 years in Uganda and Tanzania to increase their income through youth employment and enterprise development opportunities in the dairy sector and other agricultural value chains.

Country Program is seeking to recruit competent candidate for the following position for its EAYIP program.

**Job Title :** Cluster Coordinator - East Africa Youth Inclusion Program  
**Job Location:** Mbeya

**FUNCTION:**  
The East Africa Youth Inclusion Program (EAYIP) Cluster Coordinator, under the guidance of the EAYIP Social Capital and Cluster Manager, will provide leadership on hub business and will be responsible for managing and providing technical guidance to the business operations of the agricultural value chain enterprises in the Cluster for the EAYIP. S/he will ensure increased production and productivity in the agribusinesses which are the key outcome of the project. Leading and working through a team of Cluster personnel and other consortium staff, he/she will provide technical guidance and support to producer organization boards, staff and farmers on dairy production and productivity issues.

**RESPONSIBILITIES AND DELIVERABLES (including approximate percentage effort)**

- 1. Program Effectiveness (50%)**
  - Lead the Cluster team including consortium staff to develop practical strategies to increase income production and productivity within the respective cluster through use of relevant input on poultry, horticulture, staple crops, animal health & husbandry, feed/nutrition, water management system etc.
  - Develop/Review systems, procedures, methods and formats to monitor production, quality, pricing, expenses and income associated with dairy production, poultry, horticulture, staple crops at farm level and at the producer organization level.
  - Lead the development of a farm business model as a profitable sustainable and growth proposition to small holder farmer, which could be used to replicate and advise interested farmers particularly youth to adopt dairy, poultry, horticulture, staple crops farming.
  - Lead and support the Cluster team in designing a system and implement plans to support Producer organizations to setup robust business leadership extension systems and link producer organizations to input and service providers.
  - Support the design and implementation of appropriate curricula to help the cluster office plan and implement training programs that relate to the poultry, horticulture, staple crops farming and dairy enterprise management.
  - With the guidance of the Social Capital and Cluster Manager, design and lead systems to streamline gender and youth activities which promote production and productivity within the cluster
  - Lead the Cluster team in designing a program that can select and support the development of model farms and put in place strategies to upscale adoption of productivity enhancement technologies.

- DELIVERABLES**
1. Productivity analysis & market assessments in the Cluster EAYIP program conducted to determine the value chains for new youth hubs and complementary value chains for existing dairy hubs.
  2. Facilitate the formation of youth associations and preparation of articles of incorporation, bye laws and facilitate registration of the Associations
  3. Participate in the development and dissemination of hub development

4. tool-kits, hub business models
5. The hub board members trained in leadership, group dynamics and good corporate governance
6. Work with the hubs to develop and implement the graduation strategy
7. Knowledge and know how transfer to the hubs management
8. Coordinate support recruitment and training of community facilitators
9. Social Capital Development (SCD) structures developed and well-functioning. This includes Community Facilitator, Community Agrovet Entrepreneurs, Project Management Committees and Mentoring Teams
10. Organizational standards for SCD have been followed.
11. Groups are dynamic and vibrant with self-directed plans and carrying out regular PSRP.
12. Model farms established

- 2. Management and Compliance (30%)**
  - Review and coordinate the compilation of weekly, monthly, quarterly reports and ensure that a robust data base is maintained at Cluster level to track productivity and use of inputs and services
  - Working closely with the Regional Monitoring, Learning and Evaluation (MLE) Manager; and MLE Officer create, execute and monitor action plans to support Cluster office value chains namely poultry, horticulture & livestock data bases at youth farmer business associations with a view of the enterprises to use the data for improving management and profitability of the enterprises.
  - Ensure compliance with contractual obligations and procedures of donors

- DELIVERABLES**
1. Submit timely reports to Country Program Manager as required
  2. Ensure periodic project reviews are conducted, with learnings documented and shared.
  3. May perform other job-related responsibilities as assigned

- 3. Partnership and Engagement (20%)**
  - Coordinate cluster team and external partnerships to bring best farm practice to the project
  - Provide leadership to the Cluster team in strategy development and creative initiatives to nurture and build linkages between producer organizations, local governments, private sector BDS providers and other development players.
  - Represent EAYIP in various local stakeholder meetings, workshops, conferences and shared learning events.

- DELIVERABLES**
1. Develop and implement plans for multi-stakeholders' engagement and learning.
  2. Develop relationships with local partners working with youth in agribusiness to facilitate access to best farming practices and market linkages.

**Minimum Requirements:**

- Bachelor's degree in Agriculture, Animal Science or other related field, with five (5) years' experience in dairy production, dairy value chain management, agriculture development with at least three (3) years' experience of how cooperatives work.

**Mode of Application:**  
Potential candidates are encouraged to apply by sending application letter enclosed CV and certificates/ testimonials. Application electronically through [Joyce.Mbise@heifer.org](mailto:Joyce.Mbise@heifer.org). All applications should write the Job Title as subject. Remember, Heifer International is an equal employer and recruitment is by merits.

**Deadline this application is 10th February, 2018.**

*Only Shortlisted Candidates will be contacted*

**NB: \*The position is open to Tanzanian Nationals only.\***  
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## BANK OF AFRICA APPOINTS NEW CEO & MANAGING DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors of BANK OF AFRICA TANZANIA LIMITED is pleased to announce the appointment of Joseph Iha Wanje as the Bank's new CEO and Managing Director, replacing Ammishaddai Owusu-Amoah, whose tenure ended in July 2018 after seven years in that position.

Prior to joining BANK OF AFRICA TANZANIA LIMITED, Joseph was the Managing Director of Equity Bank Tanzania Limited, since June 2013 to August 2018. Before that he served as the founding Executive Director for the same bank for two years responsible for pre-establishment preparations and set up the bank as a start-up. Under his leadership, Equity Bank Tanzania Limited, enjoyed substantial growth, becoming one of the fastest growing banks in Tanzania.

Prior to joining Equity Bank Tanzania Limited, he was among the executive team seconded to Uganda to establish Equity Bank Uganda after acquiring Uganda Microfinance Limited. He served in the role of General Manager Credit and helped to establish proper credit structures to support growth of the bank, before he was promoted to Executive Director position and transferred to Tanzania.

Joseph also worked with Equity Bank Kenya in various leadership and management positions before becoming the General Manager Corporate Banking Division and helped to set up the Corporate Banking Division of Equity Bank Kenya. Joseph started his banking career at Co-operative Bank of Kenya where he worked in various roles and rose through the ranks from graduate clerk position to management roles.

Joseph is a seasoned banker, having worked in the banking sector for over 20 years' gaining invaluable experience, knowledge and a unique skills set that he brings to BANK OF AFRICA TANZANIA LIMITED. His core areas of competence are in leadership development, strategy execution, corporate relationship management, credit risk management, banking operations and treasury operations. This is combined with regional exposure and knowledge of the East African market and banking regulation regimes having worked in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

**Ambassador Mwanaidi S. Majar**  
**Board Chairperson, BANK OF AFRICA-TANZANIA**

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# SAGCOT advises regions to use clusters to boost agriculture

By Guardian Reporter

(SAGCOT) yesterday appealed to regions to use the cluster system to promote agricultural productivity because the system has proved its worth in propping up industries and liberating peasants from

shackles of poverty in the southern regions.

SAGCOT Chief Executive Officer Geoffrey Kirenga told reporters in Dar es Salaam yesterday in the new year greetings to Tanzanians that Sagcot salutes farmers in the southern regions for supporting the government, Sagcot and making gainful use of opportunities unearthed by two clusters launched to serve peasants in Iringa, Njombe, Mbeya, and Songwe regions.

Sagcot, launched in 2010, was tasked to raise the socio-economic status of peasants in southern regions of Tanzania and help the regions regain their lost glory of being a national granary.

"The secret behind the socio-economic gains we are associated with in our corridor is the cluster system which we conceived and have supervised very closely because it is an inclusive system. If this system will be adopted by regions that are anxious to learn from our corridor, national agricultural production will steadily and reasonably go up," the CEO modestly explained.

SAGCOT defines a cluster as a geographic concentration of interconnected companies, specialized suppliers, service providers and associated institutions. In clusters farmers and stakeholders collectively identify

priority crops and services and ensure productivity.

Two operational clusters in the southern regions are Ithemi (serving Iringa and Njombe peasants) and Mbarali (Mbeya and Songwe regions).

Kirenga said more clusters are planned to serve peasants in Ludewa, Rufiji na Sumbawanga. A new operational Kilombero Cluster was recently launched to serve smallholders in Morogoro Region.

He said tomato production has increased in Ithemi cluster, Tanzania no longer imports tomatoes and two tomato processing industries have been established.

Kirenga said Sagcot is looking forward to see curious regional leaderships adopt the cluster system to increase agricultural production and raise peasants' welfare in other parts of Tanzania.

"We have to ensure we have a stable efficient agriculture that steadily and efficiently feeds national industries. Agriculture is so key in all our national goals that every stakeholder must take it very seriously," he said.

The CEO said the successes could not have been gained without the generous support of the Tanzania Government, UKAID, Norwegian Embassy, USAID, UNDP, the World Bank and AGRA.



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## EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

This is to inform the public that the deadline for submission of Expression of Interest from Tanzanian CSOs including Networks and Coalitions with suitable set of skills, knowledge and experience to develop, manage and implementing SBCC programs engage communities on malaria prevention and treatment towards positive health-seeking behaviours among pregnant women, lactating mothers and children under 5 in **Shinyanga** (Ushetu, Msamala and Kishapu Districts) and **Simiyu** (all districts) regions. The project will use a mix of SBCC approaches including IPC, Community Mobilization, Community Media etc. has been extended from **Wednesday, January 23, 2019 to Wednesday 12th February, 2019.**

**NOTE: Other instructions remain the same.**

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Deputy Minister for Water and Irrigation Juma Aweso (2nd L) looks on while technicians connect water supply pipelines at Sopeko ward and Lendikinya village in Monduli District, Arusha Region over the weekend. PHOTO: Guardian Correspondent



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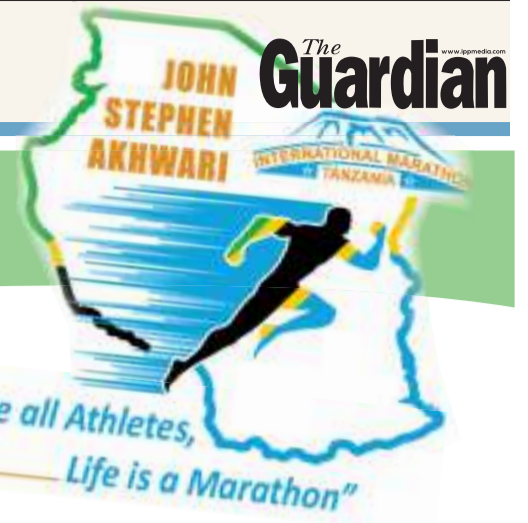
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# John Stephen Akhwari International Marathon on 9th June 2019



John Stephen Akhwari (born 1938 in Mbulu, Tanzania), is a Tanzanian former marathon runner. He represented Tanzania in the marathon at the 1968 Summer Olympics in Mexico City.

## 1968 OLYMPIC MARATHON



While competing in the marathon in Mexico City, Akhwari cramped up due to the high altitude of the city. He had not trained at such an altitude back in his country. At the 19-kilometer point during the 42 km race, there was jockeying for position between some runners and he was hit. He fell badly wounding his knee and dislocating that joint plus his shoulder hit hard against the pavement. He however continued running, finishing last among the 57 competitors who completed the race (75 had started). The winner of the marathon, Mamo Wolde of Ethiopia, finished in 2:20:26. Akhwari finished in 3:25:27, when there were only a few thousand people left in the stadium, and the sun had set. A television crew was sent out from the medal ceremony when word was received that there was one more runner about to finish.

As he finally crossed the finish line a cheer came from the small crowd. When interviewed later and asked why he continued running, he said, "My country did not send me 5,000 miles to start the race; they sent me 5,000 miles to finish the race."



## ATHLETIC CAREER

Akhwari competed for many years before and after the 1968 Olympics. He finished first in the African Marathon Championships before the Olympics. He finished fifth in the marathon at the 1970 Commonwealth Games where he ran a 2:15:05 time. The winner had run 2:09:28. In those same Games he ran a 28:44 in the 10,000-meter race and was only about 30 seconds behind the leaders. He ran marathons in the 2:20 range on a regular basis both before and after the 1968 Olympics. He was a world class runner for most of the 1960s and 1970s.

### Post-Athletic Career

Akhwari has lived for many years in his village in Mbulu, Tanzania with his wife and six children. Once in a while the world beckons him back. He was awarded a National Hero Medal of Honor in 1983. He lent his name to the John Stephen Akhwari Athletic Foundation, an organization which supports Tanzanian athletes training for the Olympic Games. He was invited to the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia. He later appeared in Beijing as a goodwill ambassador in preparation for the 2008 Games. He was a torchbearer in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on April 13, 2008, for the Olympic torch relay through his country. In August 2018, the Olympic Committee in Mexico City invited Akhwari together with Kenji Kimihara, Silver Medalist of the 1968 Olympic Marathon as torchbearers in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Mexico City Olympics.



### John Stephen Akhwari International Marathon - 9th June 2019 (Arusha, Tanzania)

Mr. John, who turned 80 years old in March 2018, wishes to leave a legacy in Athletic World. His first initiative is to organize a marathon event on 9th June 2019 which will subsequently be held annually in June. The event is deemed to be a platform upon which he expects to achieve his long-term ambition of starting a 'John Stephen Akhwari Athletic Foundation'. The aim of the foundation is to identify and nurture young Tanzanian talents and develop them to world class Olympic champions.

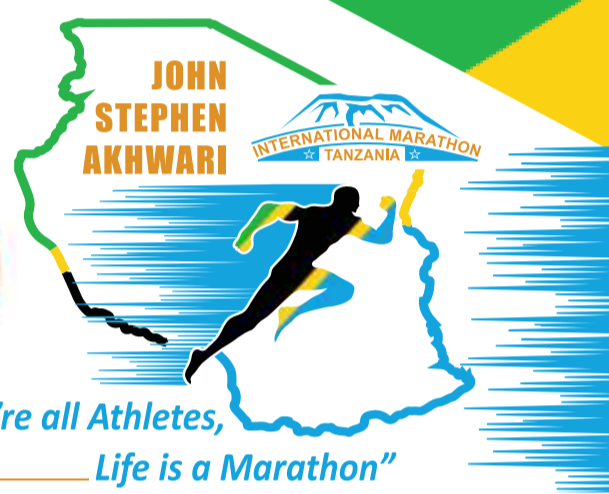
The purpose of the race is also to formally recognize his contribution to the athletic world, raise awareness to the general public on healthy-living to people from all walks of life. Proceeds from sale of tickets to the race shall be deposited to a designated account to assist with formation of John Stephen Akhwari Athletic Foundation.

Akhwari now appeals to all well-wishers and to the general public both within the country and beyond to join him in the effort to make this race a success. If you wish to get in touch with Mr. Akhwari or assist in any way to this noble cause, kindly contact the Organizing Committee at: info@jsaim.co.tz. For more information you can also visit the website: www.jsaim.co.tz

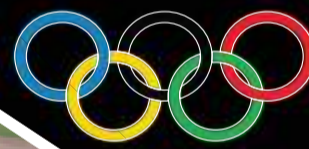
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Taking A New Look  
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## SportPesa and CAF experience shows why free registration is vital

**T**ANZANIAN leading clubs have lately experienced mixed fortunes in the African Champions League and in the regional SpotPesa tournament, the latter a more hurriedly executed event meant to pick a single regional side to play Everton in the betting company's calendar high note event. The good moment of relief was Simba SC getting the better of visiting JS Saoura by 3-0, while the worst moment was the local side's visit to Kinshasa, where they were handed a 5-0 drubbing. It showed that the squad has promise, but less depth and consistency.

What was also evident though not pointedly underlined by soccer pundits as the matches went on or in any of the subsequent analyses, is that the fans know the team, and don't place any specific focus or stress on whether each of the players is local, or how many foreigners it boasts. In that case we were pained by seeing Simba pace out that drubbing, and it wasn't important that AS Vita are likely to have fielded more foreign professional signings than the Msimbazi Street side. Each team fields the players it has, from wherever it signed them, simply.

Local soccer decision makers and the conservative opinion lobbies around them have constantly wished to preserve the local premier league for local players, and only gradually accepted the presence of foreign players. For decades the top clubs could not register more than three foreign players, which rose to seven a few years ago, but a year or two back the lobbies

wanted to reduce the number to three once again, claiming that players were being hindered opportunities to play by foreign recruits. They said it harms the national team, Taifa Stars.

A knowledgeable local coach questioned these claims, providing an evidence-based arguments with premier league clubs and the national team. He showed that Dar Young Africans had the highest regular presence in Taifa Stars and the highest regular fielding of foreign players, which illustrates the fact that the presence of several professional players improves standards in a team. The players face greater challenge finding regular playing position and thus are forced to work harder, hone their skills in various ball movement task execution.

Getting thrashed is a painful moment for any side, in which case soccer decision makers should adopt the golden maxim championed by Chinese helmsman Deng Xiaoping, that "it doesn't matter if a cat is black or white so long as it catches mice." We should adopt the viewpoint that the premier league clubs need to be respected when they go out for CAF duty or regional tournaments, and coaches should be free to pick any available players. As it is in the UEFA system, players struggle to obtain playing time, and being a national is no advantage as the coach recruits or fields the most fit players. Competitive soccer leads to success, thus like DRC clubs, let us lift barriers to registering good players wherever we see them, so as to meet on more equal terms big clubs.

## 'Marching guys': For deal to work, reorganise trading spaces

**T**HE country's 'marching guys' who sell wares on their hands and typically provide a glimpse of what informal sector trading is all about, are now being included in the tax dragnet, via identity cards. As they will be bought as the not so flimsy sum of 20,000/- each claimant of this identification will implicitly have paid a reasonable tax to the government, and reciprocally, the state will have to provide protection in relation to informal sector trading. That is precisely what the president said ought to be the case, and local government officials bit their lower lips.

When left to their guises or fancies, municipalities only recognize formal sector traders having frame or buildings constructed outside the road reserve zone in each street or road. They are also likely to be paying land tax to the same authorities, as established land occupants. As such traders usually look upon the 'marching guys' as a nuisance to free movement of people to their shops, municipalities listen, act in their behalf.

At the same time, the president's move wasn't just prompted by making it easier for municipalities to understand that 'marching guys' are part of the country's socioeconomic landscape and they have a contribution to make as well. The move was also designed to forestall and if possible put an end to extortion and willful seizure of property, not to say daylight robbery, conducted by militias sent by municipal officials, with power to seize and detain such property

(goods, utensils, motorcycles) without avenue for appeal. It is an outrageous illustration of how the fish live in the sea, that the big fish eat the small fish and there is no appeal for wanton attacks, seizures.

Yet there is going to be a technical problem of how to distribute 'marching guys' looking for side street space to put up wares, as the president allowed them to trade 'anywhere.' In that case, while sequestration, deliberate victimisation of 'marching guys' and women food vendors will stop, orderly supervision of trading activities will pose problems. There are ways of solving those problems on condition that techniques are adopted to widen accessibility to prized street space, such that even pushing traders a meter from their favored roadside spot so that other users and vehicles have reasonable space to maneuver will still accommodate many 'marching guys.'

This was indeed the message that Peruvian economist Prof. Hernando de Soto brought to Tanzania around 2002, seeing in street trading space an asset with which a 'marching guy' can obtain credit, if he has security of using that space during the time covered by that credit. Bureaucrats under third phase president Benjamin Mkapa were unfazed by this motif, preferring instead to formalize informal sector houses (built harum scarum in inner cities) so as to obtain loans. Thus the Prof. de Soto method would have narrow vertical structures for each trader so that each street accommodates more traders, who won't be arranging their goods on the ground.

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## The healthy part of Ethiopia's tax regime

By Lea Mehari

**I**T is fortunate that not all goods and services are subject to the payment of a value-added tax (VAT). It is calculated on the value added to the product at each stage of its production, unlike a turnover tax, which is imposed on the gross value of the taxable product. VATs ultimately fall on the shoulders of the consumer, which could be detrimental when it comes to products of necessity, such as medical goods and services.

The VAT regime was introduced in Ethiopia in 2002 as part of the tax reform undertaken by the government in that year. It is a payment of an additional 15pc of the total price of a service or good.

International experience shows that for the supply of goods and services to be taxable under the VAT regime it has to either be a VAT taxable activity as registered in the law or if the person taxed earns an amount above the stated threshold from the business. There are also activities that have been exempted from the payment of VAT.

The suppliers of some goods or services are not made to collect the VAT from their consumers. For a certain business activity to be exempted from the payment of VAT, a clear indication in the law showing that it is indeed exempted needs to be written.

One of such exemptions that can be read in the Ethiopian VAT proclamation is the import and supply of medical services and prescription drugs or medicines. In reading the VAT proclamation only, one can see that medical services and prescription drugs are the only elements in medical services that have been exempted from the payment of VAT. However, the law is a network of articles from different laws. Therefore, to clearly conclude as to which services are exempted, one needs to read different laws.

As such, members of parliament, in enacting the VAT proclamation mandated the Council of Ministers and the then Ministry of Finance & Economic Development - now the Ministry of Finance & Economic Cooperation - to issue regulations and directives that would help in interpreting and properly carrying out the obligations stated in the VAT proclamation. Through the powers delegated to it, the Council of Ministers enacted the Value Added Tax regulation in the same year.

That regulation specifies the type of medical services and prescription drugs that have been exempted. On that basis, if a medical service is provided in a medical facility such as a clinic, hospital, maternity home or even the office of a doctor and the service is provided by a medical professional that has been registered by the Health Ministry, the service provided will be

exempted from the payment of VAT.

The law also provides that diagnostic services, therapy facilities such as radiotherapy and physiotherapy, psychoanalytic services as well as medicines and drugs issued in the hospitals are exempted from the payment of VAT.

With regard to drugs, the law provides that it is only prescription drugs that have been exempted from the payment of VAT. This begs the question as to the fate of non-prescription or over-the-counter drugs. Many people buy various painkillers, anti-inflammatory medications and other drugs and medicines without a prescription issued from a certified doctor.

Neither the proclamation enacted by parliament nor the Council's regulation discuss whether or not the exemption will extend to cover non-prescription drugs as well. There was also much confusion as to whether VAT will be paid on drugs or medicines that are in nature non-prescription but were in fact prescribed by a medical professional.

This legal vacuum lasted for about a year until MoFED issued a directive stating that much difficulty has been witnessed in regard to this issue. As a solution, it has been provided in the directive that both prescription and non-prescription drugs will be exempted from the payment of VAT.

Although not stated in the proclamation, the regulation enacted by the Council of Ministers also provided that medical devices supplied for the use of the medical facility or to patients are also exempted from the payment of VAT. This includes devices such as health monitors and surgical and orthopedic aid.

The implications of this exemption become clear when one thinks of the fees charged by hospitals and pharmacies for the supply of medical services or goods. The price of hospital bills and medicine and drugs has skyrocketed in the past few years, owing to inflation and recurrent shortages in supply. A 15pc addition on that amount would thus put an extra unnecessary burden on patients and consumers.

In the same vein, in the dense cobblestone streets of Burayu town, outside Addis Ababa, in Ethiopia Melaku Abdella and his family had been making a living selling basic items such as vegetables, cooking oil and soft drinks at competitive prices from their kiosk. But after the Ethiopian government stung him with a more than 300 per cent tax increase last month, Abdella says he was left with no option but to close the business.

Like many low-income traders in the country's Oromia region, the family didn't keep accounts, meaning the authorities based their annual tax demand of 7,000 Ethiopian birr (€231

on an estimate of income. "It's beyond my capacity to pay. I will have to hand in my business licence," Abdella says.

The hikes on grocers, barbers and cafes were met with widespread anger and protests in parts of the volatile state, which has endured unrest and fatal clashes during the last two years.

The situation creates a dilemma for a government that is desperate to increase income tax and reduce its reliance on aid, but is also wary of further instability. Ethiopia's parliament only lifted a 10-month state of emergency earlier this month following protests over land disputes and alleged political marginalisation. The unrest since November 2015 involved security forces killing at least 600 demonstrators and tens of thousands being jailed, according to the government.

Although still one of world's least developed countries, Ethiopia's economy has grown rapidly in the last decade, as the government used loans, aid and tax revenue to build clinics, universities, roads, railways and hydropower dams. Its budget has increased roughly in line with gross domestic product. Ethiopia's tax revenue is around 14 per cent of output, according to the International Monetary Fund, which is lower than the sub-Saharan African average. This financial year, almost a third of the federal budget of 321bn birr (€10.6bn) is projected to come from aid and loans.

Ethiopia's ruling coalition has been credited for overseeing growth and improving infant mortality and life expectancy, but it is also blamed for suppressing democratic rights, maladministration, increasing corruption and, now, the draconian tax swoop.

The root of the dispute is a sizeable semi-formal economic sector - around 80 per cent of the workforce is still employed in smallholder agriculture - entrenched mistrust between the state and traders, and an estimation system for small businesses.

Enterprises with an annual turnover of less than 500,000 birr are not required to produce audited accounts. Instead, officials visit each premise to make an income assessment. That has set up a game of cat-and-mouse with many vendors running down stock in anticipation of the visits. The result has been a large discrepancy between what traders say they earn and what their assessments are based on, even if they made an accurate verbal declaration. "What most people tell the government is too low, so the officials don't believe anybody. Honesty does not work," says one Burayu business owner, who also requested anonymity.

Oromia revenue officers take the estimation and multiply it either by 300 days for goods retailers or 360

days for services to produce a turnover estimate. Profits are calculated by applying a standard margin for each type of business, which is then taxed at marginal rates from 0 per cent for profits of less than 7,200 birr to 35 per cent for those earning more than 130,800 birr.

"The assessment has basic technical problems. From the selection of people to assess, to the criteria used for assessment, it does not fit into any objective presumptive tax assessment methodology. It's just an ad hoc categorisation of taxpayers," says business consultant Getachew Teklemariam.

At Burayu town revenue department, deputy head Samuel Tadesse explains that business owners were shocked at the new evaluations because the government hadn't carried out an assessment for seven years.

Annual inflation shot up to 40 per cent in 2011, but has been hovering near 10 per cent recently. Also, last year, the tax thresholds increased. For example, the tax-exempt portion rose from 1,800 birr to 7,000, while the upper margin was previously 60,000. "They are confused because for six years they paid a similar amount," Tadesse says.

By Lake Hora in Bishoftu town, about 50km south-east of Addis Ababa, a man in a bright yellow T-shirt and matching sunglasses repairs a door with a soldering iron and angle grinder amid a shower of sparks. He's given up on his business after a 13,000-birr tax bill that he believes was four times what it should have been, and is using a friend's workshop. "It's better to be mobile, going here and there. That is better than being licensed," he says.

Others in the area say the levies on small businesses are another example that the system only works for the rich, who receive favours and tax breaks. Another small business owner believes access to jobs, land and controlled commodities such as sugar requires loyalty to the ruling party. The welder thinks the government wants the extra revenue to buy weapons - one of a number of conspiracy theories about the tax policy, testament to the extent of Oromo discontent, and the difficulty the authorities will have implementing unpopular policies. Protests over the tax, which closed businesses in July, have merged with other grievances and led to widespread strikes in Oromia last week.

Back in Burayu, rather than risk an unaffordable tax demand next year, Abdella says he will try to support his family by working in the construction industry. He has no faith that the ruling coalition will change its ways to make life easier for small businesses. "I don't think there will be a solution if this government stays," he says.



# President Kenyatta orders William Ruto allies to fall in line

By Patrick Lang'at and Ibrahim Oruko

An angry President Uhuru Kenyatta on Wednesday reprimanded the ruling Jubilee Party parliamentary leadership, largely made up of Deputy President William Ruto's allies, over a perceived intra-party rebellion, interviews with those who attended the meeting in Mombasa revealed on Thursday.

Sources said the team had planned to broach the subject of the health of the ruling party amid fears of an implosion, only to be met with the tough talk that they were not toeing the party line, and should do so henceforth.

Dr Ruto, sources said, was in the room when the President read the riot act to the party leaders.

That surprise move by the President was compounded by talk within his inner circle of the formation of the post of Parliamentary

Secretary.

NEW BOSS

The holder of the office, preferably a former MP, will be at the level of Cabinet secretary and will link the Executive to Parliament – an arrangement seen as a plan to tame Aden Duale and Kipchumba Murkomen, Parliament's majority leaders.

Former Jubilee interim vice-chairman David Murathe, who quit his post to focus on a "Stop Ruto" movement, has on several occasions criticised the House leadership for what he feels is an anti-Jubilee stance.

"We cannot have a situation where our party leadership in Parliament is opposing the government. When you start threatening that you will go against the government, what you are doing is actually casting aspersions on the judgement of the President," Mr Murathe said of the House leadership in August last year.

The Ruto camp now sees that comment as the start of a targeted campaign against him.

MATIANGI

With all Jubilee parliamentary leaders, save for National Assembly Speaker Justin Muturi and nominated MP Cecily Mbarire, leaning towards Dr Ruto, there have been several cases of the House leadership appearing to antagonise the Executive.

Revelations of the Mombasa meeting came just two days after President Kenyatta re-organised his government and made Interior Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiangi in charge of a committee comprising his Cabinet colleagues to supervise and inspect the implementation of government projects, a distinct feature of Dr Ruto's tenure as DP in the last six years.

While this has irked the Deputy President's allies, who had on Wednesday demanded clarity on his role, politicians close to Dr Ruto were on Thursday unusually forceful in their refusal to discuss the Matiangi-led committee, reports of President Kenyatta reading the

riot act to the party parliamentary leadership, as well as the floating of the parliamentary secretary option.

"Things are bad," a top Jubilee politician allied to the DP told the Nation.

HARMONY

Officially, the Mombasa meeting was called to discuss the party legislative agenda, and secretary-general Raphael Tuju yesterday said that was all that transpired.

"Kenyans are very interesting people; they view their politicians as gladiators tearing each other in arenas. They demand to see blood, and when none is forthcoming, like was the case during the Mombasa meeting, they get disappointed," Mr Tuju said, dismissing talk of a stormy meeting at the coastal city.

But another member of the party who attended the meeting said it was meant to restore harmony in the party.

"We should be reading from the same script. The President is focused on his legacy

and wants to make sure that he delivers on his Big Four agenda," he said.

Dr Ruto met Pentecostal Evangelistic Fellowship of Africa (Pefa) pastors at his Karen office in Nairobi, the third group of religious leaders to visit him in less than two weeks.

RETREAT

He waded into the debate over the effect of the elevation of Dr Matiangi, saying all was well within government and the appointment had not whittled down his powers at all.

"Government officers at all levels should align their operations to the order issued by the President," Dr Ruto said in a tweet, his first comment on the order.

Yesterday, the Nation also learnt that a retreat that had been planned for next week at Amboseli National Park, mooted by the Ruto camp following Mr Murathe's resignation, had been called off "because the timing is just not right", according to a party insider.

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### Background: The Shinyanga HIV Test & Treat project

The new WHO guidelines advocate the so-called 'HIV Test and Treat approach': immediate antiretroviral treatment (ART) for all HIV infected persons, independent of clinical stage or CD4 count. AIGHD has been awarded the task of scientific evaluation of a unique HIV T&T project in Tanzania, aiming to put 20,000 HIV patients on ART through T&T and decentralized ART provision through a Hub and Club model. The implementation of the Shinyanga HIV T&T project is led by an Italian NGO (Doctors with Africa CUAMM) through a network of Tanzanian healthcare providers, under the Diocese of Shinyanga. In this context, AIGHD, as the research partner, is responsible for performing multi-disciplinary operational research (clinical, epidemiological, economic and socio-anthropological) under the final guidance of a Principal Investigator (PI) from the United Kingdom and a co-PI from Tanzania.

**Vacancy :** Social Science PhD student  
**Hours :** 40-hour work week, Full-time  
**Location :** Shinyanga, Tanzania

The position The Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development (AIGHD) is looking for a highly motivated PhD student to work on a social science study within an innovative HIV Test & Treat and Differentiated HIV Care project in Shinyanga and Simiyu regions, Tanzania (in short 'the T&T project'). The project is carried out by an international multi-stakeholder consortium with both implementing and research partners. The PhD student will be part of a larger multi-disciplinary team on site, consisting of scientific, project operational and health care staff and report to the AIGHD lead social science research in Amsterdam.

### Main Responsibilities

The PhD student will be responsible for collecting and analyzing data and scientific writing up of the qualitative research performed within the T&T project. In order to complete a PhD at the University of Amsterdam the PhD student will also need to complete all the requirements of the Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR). The PhD student is expected to complete and defend a PhD thesis within 4 years. Aside from conducting ethnographic fieldwork the PhD candidate is expected to spend one day a week on the broader multidisciplinary research questions within the project, coordinating with the economic and clinical PhD projects.

The work will include the following tasks:

- Write PhD proposal, do ethnographic data-collection and qualitative analysis, write scientific papers, contribute to project reports and write and defend doctoral thesis
- Organize and participate in regular meetings with supervisory team (face to face and via conference call) and with internal staff and core partners
- Coordinate the PhD project with the implementation studies performed by Doctors with Africa CUAMM team
- Assist Post-doctoral researcher in gathering data required to answer the broader social science (mixed method) and multidisciplinary research questions
- Submit to and present research findings at national and international conferences, and apply for scholarships to attend conferences

### Educational qualifications

**Academic level:** Master degree in Social Anthropology, Sociology or Development studies.

### Work experience

At least 2 years of professional experience in social science research in HIV programs, using qualitative methods such as participant observation and in-depth interviewing. It is crucial that the candidate has proven independent research experience. Experience with the following is an advantage: working with a (international) research institution, evidence of (co-)authorship of peer-reviewed publication(s), data management and qualitative analysis skills, quantitative research skills.

### Desired skills

- Ability to work proactively and independently with minimal supervision, flexible work-attitude
- Attention to detail, structured and well-organized
- Excellent analytical and writing skills
- Excellent computer software skills - Microsoft Office (Excel, Outlook, Word, PowerPoint), Jy N-VIVO
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, ability to connect to diverse groups of people
- Willingness to travel and live within the project region and occasionally travel to Dar es Salaam and Amsterdam

### Languages

Excellent command of both written and spoken English and Kiswahili and Kisukuma, or willingness to learn Kisukuma is a pre.

### Duration

The opportunity for doing a PhD is a 2-step process. After 1 year the academic progress of the PhD candidate will be evaluated and the experiences and motivation of the candidate to pursue the program discussed. Should both parties decide to continue, the second phase will encompass a 3 year period with the opportunity to complete a PhD degree at the University of Amsterdam. In this context AIGHD offers annual short-course trainings in the Netherlands.

### AIGHD offers

AIGHD offers an excellent job opportunity in a cutting-edge working environment in global health and development and a salary in line with prevailing sector standards. For more information about the job description please contact Ilona Sips ([ilsips@aighd.org](mailto:ilsips@aighd.org)).

Interested candidates are requested to submit a cover letter, a CV, and evidence of writing skills to HR Support ([hrsupport@aighd.org](mailto:hrsupport@aighd.org)). Evidence of writing skills can include a publication, an MA thesis written by the candidate or another writing sample

**Closing date: Sunday February 10th, 2019**

Candidates should have Tanzanian nationality or be in possession of a Tanzanian resident and working permit.



Tanzania Health Promotion Support

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Tanzania Health Promotion Support (THPS) is an indigenous NGO established under nongovernmental organization act No 24 of 2002 in 2011. THPS works in partnership with the Ministries of Health Community Development Gender Elderly and Children (MoHCDGEC) and Regional Administration and Local Governments (PORALG) with a goal of ensuring accessible high quality health care services to Tanzanians; through strengthening of health systems for quality health services including comprehensive HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care, Support and Treatment in Pwani and Kigoma regions.

THPS is currently seeking highly experienced, committed and motivated Tanzanians to fill in its vacant position for **AFYA KWANZA HIV Care and Treatment Program**:

**POSITION TITLE :** Clinical Advisor - HIV Care and Treatment  
**REPORTS TO :** Regional Manager Pwani  
**LOCATION :** Pwani Regional Office (with frequent field travel)

### OVERALL JOB FUNCTION:

To provide technical support to clinical staffing for provision of multidisciplinary family-focused HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment services at THPS supported facilities. This entails HIV counseling and testing at all entry points including, Provider Initiated testing and Counseling (PITC), enrollment of adults and adolescents living with HIV into care and antiretroviral treatment (ART); enhancing retention and minimizing lost to follow up (LTFU), effective adherence and psychosocial support, implementation of collaborative TB/HIV activities, efficient management of commodities and ongoing mentorship and supportive supervision. S/He will work with the PMTCT/Pediatrics technical advisor to ensure that health care providers are well equipped with skills to appropriately manage infants, children and adolescents living with HIV according to national and international standards.

### KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To provide direct technical assistance to the staff at THPS supported health care facilities; onsite staff capacity building on HIV/AIDS clinical management, clinical mentoring, patient flow analysis, improvement of adherence support systems, strengthen of referral systems, etc.
- To facilitate Provider Initiated Testing and counseling at all key entry points of the health facility to increase identification of PLHIV and their enrollment to Care & Treatment and retention in treatment
- To implement creatively efforts to support quality pediatric HIV services.
- To establish and monitor innovative adherence and retention strategies at THPS supported health facilities in collaboration with clinical and adherence psychosocial support and community linkages teams.
- To facilitate integration between TB and HIV services including infection control within HIV care and treatment clinics, TB screening and identification of TB suspects for diagnostic work up and treatment initiation, and isoniazid preventive therapy (IPT)
- To ensure that THPS-supported clinical care activities at multiple delivery sites conform to the Tanzanian national guidelines.
- To develop with other Advisors and Technical Director the care and treatment related materials, including job aides, protocols, algorithms and other necessary tools.
- To assist the Pwani Regional Manager to develop Annual regional work plan and to review its implementation.
- To assist the Pwani Regional Manager in the development of monthly and quarterly reports.
- To coordinate implementation of clinical HIV/AIDS technical support from THPS in Tanzania
- To coordinate and supervise quality improvement (QI) initiatives in the region
- To perform any other duties as may be assigned by supervisor

### QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- MD; Master's degree (MPH or equivalent); Public health training is desirable.
- At least 5 years' experience in working in HIV care and treatment
- Extensive clinical experience in care and treatment of people living with HIV/AIDS
- Experience working in collaboration with local government partners (R/CHMTS) and NGOs.
- Excellent team orientation, openness, responsiveness and conflict management skills
- Ability to work independently
- Excellent English and Swahili oral/written communication
- Excellent interpersonal and management skills.

### How to apply:

Interested applicants should apply through THPS website ([www.thps.or.tz](http://www.thps.or.tz)) using vacancy link located under career opportunities, attaching their application cover letter one page maximum and CV four pages maximum by **February 3rd 2019** with a subject line for example: **Clinical Advisor Pwani**. Only short listed applicants will be contacted. Please do not attach any certificates when submitting online.

THPS is an equal opportunity employer; **women and people living with HIV/AIDS are encouraged to apply.**

## Start the week with Cynthia Stacey

## Tax havens and tax talk!

Jambo and greetings for the coming week that might yet again see the state power company exerting their powers to destabilise our lives big time, though we still don't know what's going on, as the game of cat and mouse with their mistreated customers continues.

Well you could say that the just ended Davos meeting in Switzerland, could almost be described as a 'cat and mouse game', with

the G 20 nations usually 'playing' with the outsiders, though this year was lacking some 'big shots', which probably won't make any difference to the outcome.

Over time, some of these events have been viewed as just expensive 'see and be seen' celebrity gatherings, though a few, particularly if they involve climate change, have been more memorable than others.

But it was tax talk, not environmental matters

that grabbed my attention one morning two years ago, when I heard a BBC announcer say ".....earns half a million dollars a minute"... and wondered, who does, and where, it sounded impossible.

The issue under discussion was an explosive report from Oxfam, a leading word charity, which revealed the shocking disparities between the richest people on the planet, and the massive majority... the poorest.

There were interesting facts, like those who own and control the global wealth would at one time have filled an aeroplane, but by then, would only constitute a coach load.

... neatly explained, this meant that the richest 1% then owned as much as the 3.6 billion people of you, me and them put together, which made up the poorest half of the global population. Shocking.

A significant part of that BBC broadcast, was from



**Educating girls, pro-women policies, equality in the workplace - in Davos this week, world leaders and campaigners sought new ideas to solve gender equality. At previous economic forums, the G20 Governments agreed to curb tax dodging by multinational companies but this is still an ongoing problem. FILE PHOTO**

a spokesman who, when questioned about the well known 'trickle down' effect of wealth replied, "there is no trickle down effect, yet it's what some world leaders have peddled for decades, but it doesn't work, or aid economies".

This was a surprising turn around, because for so long this theory had been praised and endorsed like a biblical treatise, and being preached to third world countries by bossy western powers must surely over time, have had policy changing consequences for some of the 'converts'.

The disclaimer spokesman, when asked what should be done instead, said "a crackdown on tax dodging would help...and shutting down the tax havens".

This is a problem that has long caused anger in Britain, as citizens ask why mega wealthy multi-nationals like Amazon, Google and Starbucks, a US coffee chain with over eight hundred UK outlets, evade taxes with impunity, whilst small defaulters are penalised and punished.

Whilst exhorting developing countries to tighten up their tax base, some of the G20 nations have long welcomed the results of it into their banks, if coming from 'foreign' evaders, but seem to have cosy relationships with

their domestic ones also.

...so does Britain. In January, 2016, US firm Google agreed to pay 200 million dollars (130 million pounds) in UK back taxes owed since 2005. This 'peanut' payment followed a six year enquiry by her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, but it was estimated they should have been paying around 200 million pounds per year, based on declared profits of 4 to 5 billion pounds...so why weren't they?

Amazon and Facebook are also massive tax defaulters...sorry, we have to be polite...legal tax avoiders, but were they all offered 'sweetheart' deals, as critics referred to the Google pact.

As readers might know, tax evasion is illegal, but tax avoidance isn't, and a campaigner for change, described the latter, as "defining the law in your own interests". That sounds dodgy to me, and of course you have to be rich enough to pay the guys who'll create your very own ultra clean untruths, those shadowy wealth managers who 'cook the books' big time, making fraudulent fiscal falsehoods... legal!

But why is this practice allowed...and who'll stop it?

At Davos 2016, the intrepid lady Executive Director of Oxfam said that though the G20

governments had finally agreed to curb tax dodging by multinational companies in 2015, but this still ignored the issue of tax havens, which didn't help African governments claim their fair share of taxes, and that the practice should be stopped...but two years on has Davos 2018 brought any changes...or do tax havens still flourish?

Well still with tax issues, it's two years since amendments to the Finance Act 2016, that the government collected more than 3 billion/- from two telecommunication firms in Tanzania, for July alone, an amazing result.

This was made possible by the installation of the Telecommunication Traffic Monitoring System (TTMS) and a TRA spokesman said "this is a compliance monitoring tool, and because the telecom companies here know that it's in place, they now provide us with the correct data, which helps a lot".

Citing an example, we learnt that Vodacom for example, used to pay an average of 360m /- per month on excise duty for money transfers, but in July, they paid 1.9 bn/-. While Tigo who used to pay around 250 bn/- per month, then paid 1.48 bn/- for the same period.

This seems more interesting for what can't be said, rather than that which can, in that the companies started providing the correct data since the new system was in place...but which really means now they know they could be found out, if underassessing...they opted to pay up!

Anyway, now officially under the auspices of the Tanzanian Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA) this far reaching technological breakthrough, has robust benefits for the nation, or more specifically, the Treasury, and like the letters BC (before Christ) and AD after, one could almost expect those involved in its operations, to start talking of BM, before monitoring and AM, after it, such is its impact.

So with BM and AM, the before and after marker, clearly revealing the discrepancies of scale in the revenue paid, there's now a sort of reference point for calculating back taxes also, should any companies lapse in their honesty intent!

Well time to close this boring piece, but let's hope that TTMS continues to assist the phone companies to maintain their accurate tax payments, and since the point of taxes is to ultimately help the people...let's say Hallelujah to boosted revenues...and God Bless the taxman!

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**INVITATION TO TENDER**  
**TENDER NO.KGT/00001/2019-2020**  
**VENDOR ENLISTMENT PROGRAM CALL FOR THE PERIOD 2019-2020**

A. SUPPLIES		
01	KGT/PRQ/0001/19-20	Supply and delivery of Assorted Stationery (Photocopying Paper, Pens, files and etc.)
02	KGT/PRQ/0002/19-20	Supply and delivery of office equipment (Photocopier, printers, and etc.)
03	KGT/PRQ/0003/19-20	Supply and delivery of Firefighting equipment's and Subsequent Services
04	KGT/PRQ/0004/19-20	Supply and delivery of Plant and machinery spare parts (V-belt, Bearing, Bolt, nuts and etc.)
05	KGT/PRQ/0005/19-20	Supply and delivery of Computer accessories (tonner, Cartridges, mouse, keyboards, and etc.)
06	KGT/PRQ/0006/19-20	Supply and delivery of Safety PPE (Personal Protective Equipments)
07	KGT/PRQ/0007/19-20	Supply and installation of Electrical materials
08	KGT/PRQ/0008/19-20	Supply and delivery of General Hardware and Building materials
09	KGT/PRQ/0009/19-20	Supply and delivery of Fuel and Lubricants
10	KGT/PRQ/0010/19-20	Supply and delivery of Office furniture's
11	KGT/PRQ/0011/19-20	Supply and delivery of Laboratory Equipment's, Chemicals, materials and Consumables
12	KGT/PRQ/0012/19-20	Supply and delivery of Industrial Electrical Parts
13	KGT/PRQ/0013/19-20	Supply and delivery of Compressed Natural Gas (eg. Acetylene gas, oxygen gas etc.)
14	KGT/PRQ/0014/19-20	Supply and delivery of Dolomite materials / Gypsum stones / coal 10-30mm
B. SERVICES		
15	KGT/PRQ/0015/19-20	Provision of Advertisement / Printing (Stationery and Marketing Materials and etc.) services
16	KGT/PRQ/0016/19-20	Repair and Vehicle Services
17	KGT/PRQ/0017/19-20	Provision of Cleaning Services
18	KGT/PRQ/0018/19-20	Provision of Security Services
19	KGT/PRQ/0019/19-20	Provision of Forklift Services
20	KGT/PRQ/0020/19-20	Provision of Car Rentals Services ( Taxi and Lease)
21	KGT/PRQ/0021/19-20	Provision of Clearing and Forwarding Service
22	KGT/PRQ/0022/19-20	Provision of transportation Services Mkuranga – Kilwa / Mkuranga – Songea / Mkuranga – Tanga/ Mkuranga - Sumbawanga
23	KGT/PRQ/0023/19-20	Provision of Courier Services
24	KGT/PRQ/0024/19-20	Provision of Fumigation Services
25	KGT/PRQ/0025/19-20	Provision of Mechanical engineering Services
26	KGT/PRQ/0026/19-20	Provision of Hiring Mobile and heavy equipment Machines
27	KGT/PRQ/0027/19-20	Provision of Tours and Travels Services
28	KGT/PRQ/0028/19-20	Provision of Motors Rewinding Services
29	KGT/PRQ/0029/19-20	Provision of Laboratory Services
30	KGT/PRQ/0030/19-20	Provision of IT Services / Network Services
31	KGT/PRQ/0031/19-20	Provision of Air conditioner / water cooler Maintenance Services
32	KGT/PRQ/0032/19-20	Provision of Man Power / Casual labor Services
33	KGT/PRQ/0033/19-20	Provision of Maintenance Fuel Station Service
34	KGT/PRQ/0034/19-20	Provision of Catering / Canteen Services
35	KGT/PRQ/0029/19-20	Provision of Waste disposal / Scrap / Toxic Materials
36	KGT/PRQ/0029/19-20	Provision of Marketing agency Services
37	KGT/PRQ/0037/19-20	Provision of Generators / Compressors Maintenance Services
38	KGT/PRQ/0038/19-20	Provision of Overseas agency Supplies of Spare parts
C. WORKS		
39	KGT/PRQ/0039/19-20	Provision of CIVIL WORKS (Constructions, Maintenance of Building and etc.)
40	KGT/PRQ/0040/19-20	Landscaping and Gardening WORKS
41	KGT/PRQ/0041/19-20	Provision of Quantity Surveyor Service

**Eligibility:**

Any supplier or service provider registered with relevant government authorities, having valid business license with sound financial capability, reliable and willing to participate in competitive bidding can apply.

**Information required/bidder specifications:**

1. A complete set of Pre-qualification documents can be obtained from the reception desk at Free cost
2. Completed pre-qualification documents should be deposited in the Tender Box at the reception so as to be received not later than February 15, 2019 at 2.00PM
3. Bank account details
4. Briefly company profile-background, ownership and organization of the company
5. The company specialization in supplies or service category
6. Reference from three clients whom you have previously served
7. Copy of Tin, Vat, Valid business license certificates, certificate of incorporation
8. Terms of Payment

All current suppliers are advised to re-apply. Application should be submitted in plain sealed envelopes marked with the tender items and category number addressed to:

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**GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE (EXTENSION OF DEADLINE)****CONSULTANTS****COUNTRY: TANZANIA****CLIENT: ALLIANCE FOR A GREEN REVOLUTION IN AFRICA**

**Background:** Founded in 2006, the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), is an African-led African-based organization that seeks to catalyze Agriculture Transformation in Africa. AGRA is focused on putting smallholder farmers at the center of the continent's growing economy by transforming agriculture from a solitary struggle to survive into farming as a business that thrives. As the sector that employs the majority of Africa's people, nearly all of them small-scale farmers, AGRA recognizes that developing smallholder agriculture into a productive, efficient, and sustainable system is essential to ensuring food security, lifting millions out of poverty, and driving equitable growth across the continent.

**Objective:** The purpose of this general procurement notice is to request for firms and individual consultants specialized in the following areas to register on our data base. Areas of interest include:

1. Seed production and distribution systems
2. Demand creation for accelerated utilization of improved agricultural technologies
3. Agricultural markets development
4. Food safety, agro-processing and post-harvest management system
5. Agricultural policy analysis, monitoring and evaluation systems
6. Mechanization and Irrigation systems – strategy and business development
7. Capacity building in various areas of agricultural development including partnerships
8. Financial inclusion for agribusiness SMEs and smallholder farmers
9. Soil health including systems for production and distribution of fertilizers and lime.
10. Gender and other cross-cutting issues (e.g. climate change) in relation to agricultural transformation

Interested consultants are requested to register on the link below:

<https://agra.org/careers/consultancies>; by 8th February 2019.

For further clarification/help on how to log in to the link please dial this number +255 22 277 2360

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Morogoro Regional Commissioner, Kebwe Steven Kebwe (L) receives teaching materials of TACIP project from TAFCA president, Adrian Nyangamalle. Photo: Guardian Correspondent.

## New project launched to transform lives of artisans in Morogoro Region

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

THE Tanzania Arts and Crafts Identification Project (TACIP) has launched new project aimed at transforming lives of artisans and craftsmen in Morogoro Region.

Among other issues, the project will provide artisans and craftsmen with skills that will make them explore and improve their talents through technology.

Speaking at the official launch of the project, President of the Tanzania Federation of Crafts and Arts (TAFCA), Adrian Nyangamalle said that the major aim of the project is to identify local artists and craftsmen and link them with various opportunities to scale up their talents.

According to him, the project also works closely with the government to

address various challenges facing the group.

Morogoro Regional Commissioner, Kebwe Steven Kebwe applauded efforts done by TAFCA in collaboration with Data Vision International team for coming up with the project which will transform lives of local artisans and craftsmen in the country.

According to him, under good supervision of the ministry of Information, Culture, Arts and Sports through National Arts Council, Tanzania (BASATA), the project will enable the artisans to benefit more from their work by getting wider market to sell their products.

"We are real thankful and we welcome TACIP in our region, my office promises to provide full support to enable its smooth implementation," Kebwe said.

A representative of artists, Gozbeta Rwezaula said the implementation of the project is going to address various challenges facing the sector thus raising the local artistes to the international level.

She mentioned some challenges facing the artists as bureaucracy done by BASATA during registration, poor market, lack of access to loans and capital.

"We are appealing for the government to address this challenge. Artists should also make sure that they adhere to laws and regulations when fulfilling their duties," she said.

Dumila Ward leadership promised to establish a special centre which will be used to bring together local artisans and craftsmen to discuss and share experiences and opportunities for their progress.



A traditional elder addresses some of the girls who went through the Alternative Rites of Passage initiation, which excluded female genital mutilation, in the Borenga community in Serengeti last month.

## New project protects scores of girls from undergoing FGM in Serengeti

By Correspondent Tsitsi Matope

TANZANIA is working with partners to battle Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) cultural practice in many parts of the country, especially Serengeti District where many girls are affected.

In 2018, a total of 1,471 girls aged between 9 and 19 fled their homes in protest of this cultural practice that has over the years led to some women and girls suffering health complications while others have died during or after the initiation.

But thanks to the FGM elimination project (Tokomeza Ukeketaji) supported through the Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women, and managed by UN Women, which resulted into a total of 96 traditional elders and six cutters in Serengeti district abandon the practice last year.

Through the project, the residents

have committed to an alternative rites of passage ceremony that managed to protect 634 girls who were supposed to have suffered FGM in the district.

This turn of events represents a significant number of elders and cutters in the Serengeti district who no longer believe that the tradition of cutting girls has a role in modern society.

The Tanzania Demographic and Health Survey (2015/2016) indicates that an estimated 7.9 million women and girls have undergone FGM across the country.

In 2015, 10 percent of women age 15-49 were circumcised, a decline from 18 percent in 1996. Mara region has a female genital prevalence rate of 39.9 percent, while among the Kurya tribe alone, it is estimated at 75 percent.

The government through local authorities works with community-based organisations in campaigns that reflect

the dehumanizing nature and associated health risks of female genital mutilation.

The African Medical and Research Foundation (AMREF) in 2018 implemented the Tokomeza Ukeketaji project whereas the project manager, Godfrey Matumu, said as campaigns against the harmful practice had intensified awareness among women and girls.

The organization is collaborating with the police and the Legal Human Rights Centre to mobilise local communities in Mara region to end FGM and instead invest in the education of their girls.

"Many girls continue to run for their lives in the affected areas. We have a safe house in Serengeti where many of these girls are now staying," Matumu said.



AGA KHAN FOUNDATION

Employment Opportunity

MONITORING AND EVALUATION OFFICER

Reports to : MERL Manager

Location : Mtwara

The Aga Khan Foundation - Tanzania is looking for a top-quality professional with unquestionable integrity to take on the role of Monitoring and Evaluation Officer for Elimu Bora project based in Mtwara, Southern Tanzania. The M&E Officer will be responsible for all project Monitoring and Evaluations activities for the Kilwa component under a close supervision of the MERL Manager or M&E Coordinator. Activities include designing result measurement frameworks, M&E Plans, data collection tools, data flow plans and supervise all processes leading to collection, analysis and presentation of high-quality data for reporting and decision making.

Who we are

The Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) is a private, non-denominational, international development agency promoting creative and effective solutions to problems that impede social and economic development in selected areas of Africa and Asia. AKF Tanzania is part of the AKF East Africa regional structure that implements programmes in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. In Tanzania, AKF is managing a robust and expanding portfolio of multi-sectorial initiatives that includes programmes in economic inclusion, food security and agriculture, education, early childhood development, health, and civil society strengthening.

For nearly 50 years, the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) has been partnering with communities, governments and local leaders to harness the best from people from all backgrounds to improve the quality of life. The Foundation's work is rooted in core values of self-reliance, pluralism, and respect for human dignity. AKF is a member of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), one of the world's leading poverty solutions networks. The AKDN's integrated approach makes long-term investments, builds permanent institutions and cultivates an active civil society, impacting tens of millions of people annually in 30 countries. Alongside its sister AKDN agencies, the Foundation implements innovative, community-driven solutions that are based in decades of experience, learning and evaluation.

Elimu Bora Project

The Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) and Madrasa Early Childhood Programme - Zanzibar (MECP-Z) are implementing a Comic Relief funded four-year project called Elimu Bora, targeting key points of the education ecosystem to create sustainable change - professional development, community & parent participation, leadership & management, teaching & learning environment, and education structures & systems in Unguja, Pemba and Kilwa district.

The aim of the project is to deliver a pre-primary education programme to children living in the most disadvantaged and most marginalized geographies of Tanzania and, in so doing, adapt a proven MECP model to a challenging environment. Elimu Bora project aims to increase access to pre-primary education, increase quality of pre-primary education, improve capacity of education officials and staff to deliver quality outcome and increase active engagement of parents and communities in the targeted areas of Tanzania.

Specific responsibilities include:

- With the support of the MERL Manager, develop monitoring and evaluation systems and tools for monitoring project activities (process), outputs and outcomes based on agreed indicators.
- Develop and manage project's M&E plans in coordination with project staff, both in the project office and in the field.
- Supervise all M&E related field activities including baseline and end line surveys, performance monitoring and data quality supportive supervision.
- Monitor project progress towards achieving results and advise on programmatic adjustments.
- Build capacity of project teams on M&E-related issues and provide guidance and technical support in all matters pertaining to data collection, quality assurance, analysis and presentation.
- Compile and maintain project databases to inform progress toward outcomes for AKF internal use and donor reports. Maintain regular data backups, security and confidentiality at all times in accordance to AKF and Donor requirements
- Upload data into AKF Global Education Management Information Systems (GEMIS), Global Reach System (GRS) and other systems on regular basis as may be required by AKF.
- Review all project reports to ensure that information on indicators is accurate, relevant and well presented.
- Facilitate and coordinate project progress review to ensure availability and better utilization of data for decision-making during management and project review meetings.
- Document, synthesize and share lessons learnt and best practices through case stories and learning pieces in light of progress made in addressing persistent challenges to enhance learning and replication.
- Commit to improving expertise knowledge and skills in his area of specialization and be willing to offer technical support in building the capacity of other M&E staff.
- Actively participate in a broad range of M&E functions as part of the CRSPT MERL team and as may be directed from time to time by the M&E Coordinator or MERL Manager.
- Perform other functions as may be required from time to time by the MERL Manager

Qualifications, Knowledge, Skills and Abilities required

- At least a bachelor's degree in Statistics, Economics, Education, Sociology, Public Health or any other relevant discipline
- A minimum of three years professional experience as M&E Officer for a donor funded project, particularly in education or health related programmes in rural areas in Tanzania.
- Knowledge of and ability to design Result Measurement Frameworks, M&E Plans, Data Collection Tools, Sampling Methods and Quantitative/Qualitative Data Analysis is required.
- Excellent computer skills, with professional working experience with analysis packages such as Excel, SPSS, Stata, Nvivo, Hadoop, etc
- Experience in managing databases and online/digital data collection systems such as ODK and Kobo Collect will be an added advantage.
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# Daunting challenges meet Ethiopia's promising reforms

By Mebratu D Kelecha

There are diverse experiences of "democratic transition" around the world, as well as the causes that lead to such transition and its outcomes. As the factors of "democratic transition" are inherently diverse and complex, the current transition in Ethiopia also cannot be explained by one factor, as shown below.

## Factors that cause transition

The ruling EPRDF rejected changes for a long time. Curbing reformist elements within the party and suppressing the oppositions were rampant. These practices forced some groups to take up arms against the regime because they believed that there was no alternative to moving to a democratic system except through armed struggle. But the current transition is not linked to any of these arm struggles waged against the regime by rebellions.

It must be clear that none of the armed forces solely caused the ongoing changes in the country except to play a role in popular protests and solidarity movements organized by the lead organizers.

In fact, many of them were invited to come to the country after the protest movements forced then prime minister Hailemariam Desalegn to resign and brought Abiy Ahmed to the helm of the national power. Opposition forces have not been able to meaningfully challenge the EPRDF because of its extreme polarization and fragility partly as a result of its own repressive policies. Thus, no political parties, their leaders or ideology can fake political history and claim victory for a political current that they have not precipitated, controlled or delivered.

However, there are many other interrelated and essential factors that have caused the transition. First, there are factors that aggravated the regime's crises and the inability of the EPRDF to confront them effectively. These crises include economic, cultural, social and political. The regime could not effectively cope with these crises, despite public tolerance, so it further lost its legitimacy as the public opposition intensified against it, supported by largely non-violent movements. After being plunged into a constant crisis, EPRDF embraced the political openness to overcome its problems and seem to be following the path of democratization to accommodate the opposition.

Second, since the death of the late Meles Zenawi in August 2012, there have been concerns about the relative balance of power among political actors in the constituent parties of the EPRDF. In addition, public protests threatened the cohesion of the ruling elite, empowering those in need of change, gradually joining popular protests. This strengthened the public support of the popular protests and increased the perseverance of the grassroots social movements and their effectiveness in fighting the heavy-handedness of the government.

With the intensification of protests, the rift between the hardliners and the soft-liners in the EPRDF has widened, and eventually the reform wing of the ruling elite has come to the conviction that moving on the road to democracy is the safest way to avoid the possibility of regime change by force. On the other hand, the absence of strong opposition forces capable of coordinating and leading the transition has increased the bargaining capacity of the reformers within the ruling party to continue incumbency during the transition period to avoid the possibility of regime change that they feared would disintegrate the country.

Third, the popular protest that shocked the country for more than three years is the main trigger of the transition. It is argued that the current transition took place based on an agreement reached through bargaining and negotiations between the reform wing of the ruling party and the lead organizers of the popular protests, especially after the twin politicians, Lemma Megersa and Abiy Ahmed, were appointed to the office of president and vice president of the Oromia regional state respectively.

The reform group was also convinced that it is unable to continue the closed policies and repressive practices due to



Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed

the pressures from popular protests. Thus, the option of political openness and the transition to a democratic system agreed with the lead organizers of the social movements.

As noted here, the current reform is triggered by a combination of factors, mainly pressures from popular protests and the political leadership of the reform wing of the EPRDF regime. Thus, it is a transition from within the existing system and the grassroots social movement. The process began when the group known as Team Lemma has come to the conviction that the cost of opening up and democratization was less than the cost of continuing the two and half decades authoritarian practices. Since then, this reform wing has played a key role in shifting the balance of power within the EPRDF and in engineering radical reforms.

The transition process so far correspondsto a gradual transformation of the political system into several stages: from movement to political openness, a promising democratic transition through the promise of free and fair elections in 2020 and another stages of consolidation of democracy. Despite inspiring reform initiatives, the unprecedented developments in the country require a political road map and appropriate institutional support. From this perspective, the creation of a new democratic system is facing a major test.

## Decompression of authoritarianism

Today in Ethiopia there are signs of a more liberal and open political space than ever before. This includes the release of imprisoned journalists and political prisoners, the easing of restrictions on public expression, the decriminalization of armed opposition groups previously seen as terrorists (save for latest developments involving the OLF, which requires its own analysis), and the commitment to respect human rights.

The open rejection of the "messianic" ideology of revolutionary democracy by ODP and ADP, much to the chagrin of the TPLF, is another sign that seems to be moving in the right direction. These are bold steps to correct past mistakes. And, the new prime minister has expressed his desire to create a durable democratic space of a wider spectrum in his inaugural speech in parliament on April 2, 2018, and at the consultative meeting held on 27 November 2018 with more than 80 political parties registered in Ethiopia as well as those that returned to the country at the invitation of the Prime Minister.

Despite these real hopes, however, it does not mean that it as simple as a walk in the park. The challenges remain immense and range from political, security, economic to social problems all of which requiring quick and appropriate responses from the

Government. If not properly managed, the current political opening may take several dangerous routes. Returning to some form of authoritarian regime or engaging in an internal conflict is not impossible, as deadly conflicts persist.

It is too early to comment on Ethiopia's course in this regard, but there is some evidence that Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's reform programs are being seriously tested. However, a non-violent transition, the kind of transition initiated by the reformist group within EPRDF and supported by the non-violent popular uprising, is often accompanied by a higher degree of democracy and better opportunities to continue and strengthen the emerging democratic system. Organized political parties should be able to take advantage of this opportunity to advance democratic governance on the horizon. So far, the one thing so clear is that the old authoritarian elements of the regime have collapsed, but building a new democratic system faces a serious challenge.

## Obstacles and Challenges facing the transition

After a year of political openness, one of the questions that has yet to be answered by the group leading this transition is what should be the next step after the release of dissidents and the decriminalization of armed opposition parties to create free and open democratic space? Central to this is the strength of the opposition forces to engage in the transition process and the ability of the Government to ensure respect for the rule of law while accommodating diverse views on the programs of transition. These points are elaborated as follows.

The popular protests that have endured heavy government crackdowns for more than three years in a row led to the collapse of the old EPRDF as we know it and opened the transition to democracy in the absence of a viable and alternative opposition force to participate. As it appears in the transition process, the opposition parties are weak and therefore have limited capacity to influence the management of the transition process. This is the main reason why the popular protests did not pose a major threat to the ruling party's continued incumbency to lead the transition to democracy. Not surprisingly, activists and individual figures appear to have a greater influence on the transition process than organized opposition parties.

The influence of the opposition forces is weakened even after the collapse of the undemocratic elements of the regime. As a result, the structure of the current transition reflects a significant power imbalance between the Government and the opposition in favor of the former. The opposition and their leaders are lagging behind

in bargaining and negotiating with the Government on the steps and actions necessary to create a democratic system on the ruins of the old regime.

The continuing fragility of the opposition could lead to yet another stage of EPRDF dominance in the political settlement of Ethiopia if the opposition forces remain weak and cannot form a viable alternative to negotiating the rules of the democratic game. In addition, the public is concerned that if there is no consensus on the rules of the democratic game before the elections within EPRDF and among the opposition forces, the electoral process and the possible consequences of electoral violence will pose a serious threat to the survival of the Ethiopian state.

On the other hand, everyone now understands that the decompression of authoritarianism does not in itself lead to transition to a democratic polity unless the rule of law is respected. A look at change and continuity in the political life of Ethiopia tells us that the release of dissidents and a thriving press at the beginning of the 1991 transition period did not lead to a new democratic dispensation, except that they first raised public expectations, a kind of euphoria that we have been witnessing lately.

However, the failure to fulfill promises led to growing frustration over the next 27 years of the EPRDF rule. Respect for the rule of law should be the top priority of the government. In this regard, the continued conflicts in different parts of the country is worrying, since the likelihood of such events to trigger a return to some form of authoritarianism or might escalate into the disintegration of more than 100 million population of the country is not unlikely. Such a scenario may plunge the entire region into chaos.

The collapse of the current Ethiopian state is tantamount to committing collective suicide, and therefore political parties, particularly the youths, have a vested interest and moral responsibility to prevent such a tragedy from happening by deescalating the conflicts. Thus, ensuring peace and order should be a priority for Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed by establishing the rule of law to resolve conflicts that spread throughout the country. It also helps create a sense of citizenship and belonging to a political community without political affiliation or membership in ethnic communities, which will have a positive effect on reducing tensions.

Citizen perseverance is also key to the success of democracy in any country, so the Ethiopian public is no longer satisfied only with the holding of an election but will also be very interested in what happens to their votes after the elections. In other words, new generations of young people want to do whatever the law allows, so that their votes have real impacts, unlike

in the past. As elections are too close, can the government put in place institutional backing to the expanding democratic space to meet the growing expectations? There are several things that must be wisely managed to deal with this concern.

First, on the way to building democracy, it is necessary to clarify the short-term and long-term agendas. The question is, of course, "how"? It is necessary to organize the rules of political engagement and participation.

A clear political roadmap is needed to support the impressive measures aimed at creating a transitional order. Thus, the new political leaders must proceed by distancing themselves from self-praise triumphalism. They will have to be courageous, show political imagination and tolerance for differences in order to create a solid democratic order. Clear vision and purpose are needed to tread the uncharted waters of post-authoritarian construction.

Second, institutional and political reconstruction are required to entrust people with all sovereign checks and balances. There is need for strong civil society organizations dedicated to promoting the values of democracy, voter education and constructive engagement with key actor such as the electoral commission, political parties and the security agencies.

Third, the significant rise in the level of access to and use of social media and modern technology and tools such as the Internet, mobile phone, Facebook and Twitter have become important means of mobilization particularly during the protests across the country. Parties and candidates have embraced them, but the influence they exert in the political field comes with treacherous possibilities. Certain aspects of the wave of ethnic conflicts spreading throughout the country can be attributed to the increasing use of social media.

Moreover, the growth of "fake news" is a threat to the spread of legitimate news. An increasing number of Ethiopian journalists often use social media platforms to get news, creating the possibility of writing an incorrect story. Thus, with increasing reliance on social media to obtain news and form opinions, can the new leadership find a method of ensuring that the political news being broadcast on social media does not endanger public peace and order?

Fourth, the creation of a durable democratic space should not become hostage to the generosity of the incumbent or the short-lived passion of the population. Much needs to be done starting with the revision of the repressive laws such as the electoral laws, the anti-terrorism, cyber-security and charities legislation and proclamations.

However, the most sustainable support for democracy must come from the institutional checks and balances of government power. For instance, a durable democracy needs a legislative body that can serve as a significant audit of the executive. In the past, because of the democratic centralism ideology of the ruling party, the Ethiopian parliament was a mere rubber stamp of EPRDF decisions.

For the first time, ODP's MPs have deviated from the decision of the party when eighty-eight lawmakers voted against the second state of emergency declared by the Council of Ministers in mid-February 2017. Such a different voice is strictly contrary to the discipline of the party. Thus, in the interests of a wider democratic space, can the ruling party continue to provide more room for the opposition and encourage pluralism in its own ranks?

Fifth, the existence of an independent and impartial judiciary is a fundamental requirement of democratic Ethiopia. The recent appointment of a prominent lawyer and women's rights activist Meaza Ashenafi to head the Federal Supreme Court indicates the desire to do away with the basis of authoritarian rule in Ethiopia: executive control over the judicial system. However, creating an efficient and independent judiciary is a long-term effort.

The same holds true in reforming the electoral board. In the light of the upcoming general elections, it is urgent to take bold measures to strengthen the independence and authority of

the National Electoral Commission, including procedures for a strong public scrutiny of its officials. The same applies to other key institutions, such as the Commission on Human Rights and the Ombudsman.

However, given that the elections are a mere one year and a half away, can we expect that the reform leaders will be able to strengthen these institutions and institutionalize the rule of democratic game so that they play a crucial role to safeguard against authoritarian bents in the transition process? This shall be a test of time as we proceed to the forthcoming general elections.

Finally, the biggest challenges will come from competing nationalism and their potential links to organized politics. The new leaders seemed to have embraced a pro-Ethiopian nationalism and enjoy a broad based support. For some time, it seemed this support was a lasting support. But there is no guarantee that this support from the rival nationalist movements will continue, because their alliance is not strategically based on shared political visions. This exacerbates the challenges facing the current transition.

On one hand the fierce rivalry between the various competing nationalist movements may not create a fertile ground for the development of a democratic culture. On the other hand, the inability of the government to tame these nationalist movements to the extent that it undermines the possibility of transition to democracy is also endangering the incumbency of the EPRDF as a governing national coalition in the forthcoming elections.

Basically, the threat to EPRDF's survival comes from multiple sources: one from its incapability to tame the nationalist movements; two from its regional competitors; and three from its own ranks. It seems that some elements of the EPRDF and the armed opposition parties are preoccupied with their own gain at the expense of the collective fate of the country.

The question and the great concern is therefore if political openness endangers the survival of the EPRDF or poses a serious threat to the survival of the state, will the new leaders remain committed to expanding the democratic space or resort to the use of force to overcome the threat? Again, the use of force to overcome this danger would undermine the aspiration to expand democratic space. One of the big risks that Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed faces is also the ways in which the basic contradiction within the EPRDF and between rival nationalist movements can be accommodated in his present initiatives and future reform programs. It is therefore not easy to know where these links, competition and conflicts between political parties and varied nationalist movements will lead.

## People's power victories can be lost

The authoritarian rule is gone, but the remnants may still exist. Not much in terms of personalities, political language and symbolism of actual political power, but in terms of political chaos or even immorality. Politics must be restored as a moral project with goals beyond leaders, parties and ideologies. The critical mass that ultimately led to the defeat the old order, with the tipping-point provided by Team Lemma, should be able to prove its sustainability in the reform and transition phase. In other words, they must be able to institutionalize a new democratic order on the ruins of the old and the vestiges it left behind. But this is a tight political rope for all concerned.

The presence of two divergent visions of Ethiopia – one slipping toward despotism with political regionalism rearing its head, and the other, an ambition toward a democratic future – is a delicate path to navigate by the current leadership. As recent trends go by, once again, it seems the party, the state and society are being blended in political warfare – and uncertainty is clouding the hopes for free and fair elections. The inability to overcome these challenges means that people's power victories can be lost, leaving the stage for unpredictable fall out. No victory that began defeating the power of the people outlasts it.

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## BUSINESS

## INVESTMENT

## Geita Mine's 98bn/- power plant to boost production at the gold mine

By Guardian Reporter

Geita Gold Mine Limited (GGML) said the construction of its \$43m (98bn/-) power plant at its mine in Geita is completed, with the new 40Mw facility producing its first electricity in August last year.

The plant which is built to support the mine's operations over the long-term will play a key role in ensuring stable, reliable energy supply for mining and processing activities at the mine. The GGM remains a significant provider of reliable and decent employment in Geita region and a key contributor to both the local and national economy.

"We're proud of this new investment, which fits in with Tanzania's broader industrialization and skills development ambitions," Simon Shayo, GGML Vice President for Sustainability.

"The power plant is an opportunity to employ more Tanzanians to look after its ongoing operations and maintenance," Shayo added.

Compared to the old plant, the new energy generating capability will be more efficient with lower operational and maintenance costs. It will support the mine's transition from open-pit to underground mining operations, thus cementing its presence in Tanzania's mining sector, the company stated in a statement.

Geita Gold Mine is currently the single largest mine in Tanzania in terms of operations and output and is currently transitioning from open cast to underground mining, reflecting the company's commitment for further investments in the country, the statement added.

An efficient and reliable power supply is a key pre-requisite for not only ensuring stable operations of the mine, but also creating a solid operational foundation for future

investment in extending the life of this important mine, which has a workforce of nearly 4,000 people, employed directly by the mine or by contractors.

By generating over 40-megawatt electricity, the power plant will be directly supporting GGML underground mining. The operation method, which the company have recently adopted, will gradually lead the mine to a complete shift from open pit mining. This method will increase the lifespan of the mine and sustain its current workforce of which 96 percent are Tanzanian nationals.

The constant supply of power to the underground mining will reduce company operational cost while maintaining its productivity. GGML will be able to pay more taxes and royalties to the government, while surrounding communities will continue to benefit from GGML Corporate Social Investments. Further, local businesses will continue to grow through its purchase of products and services.

"Building the power plant and running lines to the processing plant, is only the first step to generating success," said Marwa Makori, a GGML engineer who has been working on the construction of the power plant since the project's inception.

"Running plants efficiently and consistently improving efficiency as they run, is the path to ensuring the profitability and sustainability of the operation over time," Eng Makori added.

The plant consists of an engine hall, four-stroke generating sets, and a spare bay built to allow the installation of a fifth set in the future, if required. Importantly, the plant is equipped with Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS), a leading-edge technology used to minimize emissions.

By Beatrice Philemon

THE number of SIM cards in use in Sub-Saharan Africa is expected to reach nearly one billion by 2020 from 731 million in 2016. During the same period, the number of mobile broadband connections is also expected to reach half a billion by 2020, which is double the number as of end 2016.

Zoom Tanzania Chief Executive Officer, Mili Rughani said in Dar es Salaam yesterday that according a global digital report for 2018 released by We are Social and Hootsuite, Africa saw the fastest growth in internet penetration in 2018, with the number of internet users growing by more than 20 percent compared to 2017.

Rughani said much of the growth has been supported by the availability of more affordable smartphones and mobile data plans. She noted that Zoom Tanzania has also been riding high on the wave of digitalization, supporting customers using its platform that has been connecting buyers and sellers since 2009.

"Last year, Zoom Tanzania took pride in growing the business footprint of its more than 10,000 customers across the different categories by providing a wider platform to market their products and services across the country," Rughani said.

The Zoom Tanzania CEO further noted that the company's online marketing platform has witnessed a surge in inquiries from 200,000 per week in 2017 to more than 350,000 each week.

"In 2018, the company saw a hike in its monthly online traffic sessions from 450,000 in 2017 to 550,000 in 2018, which was a 22.2 percent increase," Rughani added while pointing out that the 1.5 million sessions generated quarterly was supported by a 30.4 percent increase in daily users from 23,000 in 2017 to more than 30,000 users in 2018.

"Traffic without leads is nothing, and so the marketing team was able to devise and implement strong campaigns to increase revenue for its customers which took shape in form of a 22.2 percent increase in quarterly leads to 220,000 in 2018 from 180,000 in 2017," the Zoom Tanzania CEO revealed.

Zoom Tanzania social media footprint also grew to respond to the need for growing its clients' businesses with 212,000 on Facebook, 9,000 on Instagram and 2,800 on Twitter during the period.

"Every month, there was around 20,000 social media engagement across our social media platforms on the back of 10 million impressions of its content. Zoom Tanzania performance was not just reflected on its website and social media platforms, but also on its dedication in supporting its customers," she added.

To support its rapid growth and customer demand, the company brought on board a team of category specialists to look after the different categories and ensure growth and real-time support for its customers by the end of 2018.

Using the digital platform that has been connecting buyers and sellers since 2009, Zoom Tanzania is dedicated towards contributing to the Tanzania Development Vision 2025 of being a nation whose people have a positive mindset cultivated through entrepreneurship among other things.

## Zoom Tanzania targets growing population of 'netizens' towards 2020



Zoom Tanzania Chief Executive Officer, Mili Rughani.



NMB Bank's Senior Manager for Liabilities and Payments, Stephen Adili speaking at a press conference in Dar es Salaam while announcing the bank's decision to remove various fees last Friday. Looking on (C) is the bank's Head of Payments and Accounts, Michael Mungure and Head of Customer Experience, Abella Tarimo. Photo: courtesy of NMB.

## EXPANSION

## NMB waives fees charges on transactions effective February 2019

By Guardian Reporter

IN a bid to encourage the public use banking services regular and speed up the government's financial inclusion drive, NMB Bank Plc will effective February 1, 2019 abolish various fees charges on transactions.

The move dubbed, 'free banking,' will also play a leading role in growth and economic development of the country, the bank's Head of Payments and Accounts, Michael Mungure said.

Mungure told journalists in Dar es Salaam last Friday that the bank's

move follows customer survey and research to find out reasons behind most Tanzanians not using banking services. "Our free banking product is being introduced to encourage the public use formal banking services in their daily lives," Mungure noted.

He named some of the fees and charges to be abolished as those involving individual account opening, monthly maintenance fees, transaction fees and dormant account revival fees. "Another fee which has been abolished effect next February is that of transferring money from

one account to another within NMB Bank but also balance inquiry fees," he added.

Speaking at the same press conference, NMB Bank's Senior Manager for Liabilities and Payments, Stephen Adili called on the public to make use of the 'free banking' system being introduced in February to official join the country's largest commercial bank.

"The public should make use of this new offer to open and revive their accounts with NMB which can now be easily done by digital technology

including use of mobile phones," Adili advised while stressing that joining NMB also comes with a host of benefits such as access to loans.

"Opening of new accounts or reviving dormant accounts can now be done easily and freely by individuals or groups of people to the benefit of the economy in general," Adili noted noting that in the modern world people without bank accounts are marginalised economically as they can't access a number of products designed to grow them.

## SENSITIZATION

## SBL launches 'Don't drink and drive' campaign in Mwanza

By Guardian Reporter

Serengeti Breweries Limited has launched a campaign to sensitize consumers on responsible alcohol consumption in the country's second largest city of Mwanza.

The campaign, dubbed, 'Don't drink and drive,' was launched last Friday with a forum to discuss responsible drinking that included the regional traffic police division, Sumatra and other stakeholders in the transportation sector.

Speaking during the launch of the campaign, Mwanza Regional Traffic Officer, Mkaddam Hamis said by involving the police force in the campaign, SBL had set the pace in supporting the government in creating awareness on the dangers of irresponsible drinking.

Mkaddam noted that a section of the population, especially the drivers, consume alcohol excessively without considering the repercussions caused by their actions, cautioning that such negligence often leads to fatal accidents.

"We all know that alcoholism is directly linked to reckless driving which in some cases leads to serious road accidents which have serious impacts in the society. The impacts not only affect consumers but also endanger the lives of others, thus losing or disabling many people who otherwise would have contributed to the country's social-economic growth," the RTO added.

He noted that besides causing un-called-for deaths and injuries, the resultant accidents from irresponsible alcohol

consumption have serious impacts on the health sector for they overburden the sector's already bloated budget through treatment and the provision of other services to the victims.

"These accidents also overburden our law enforcement officers because they have to daily handle scores of traffic cases which could otherwise have been avoided, which, more often than not, are caused by drunken driving," Mkaddam observed.

Elaborating on how the campaign will help the society, the regional traffic boss said: "All of us, ranging from the traffic enforcement officers, drivers, the community and other stakeholders have the responsibility to make sure that we find out the best way to curb irresponsible drinking. I am happy to see that SBL has recognized the fact that apart from selling alcohol, they also have a role to play in encouraging responsible drinking."

SBL's Director of Corporate Relations, John Wanyancha said that the responsible drinking campaign is aimed at building awareness among the public to advise them that they can drink responsibly and get on with their pleasures without causing accidents. SBL also engaged St. Augustine University students on responsible drinking during weekend at its main campus in Mwanza.

Targeting over 100 students at SAUT, SBL's pep talk, under the tagline: 'Drink better, not more,' the beer brewer's campaign is aimed at sensitizing student on the dangers associated with irresponsible drinking.

## INNOVATION

# Vodacom, Postal Bank to debut M-Pesa groups' savings platform

By Guardian Reporter

A special platform to provide digital financial services to micro and small credit cum savings groups dubbed, 'Pamoja Group Saving,' will soon be introduced by Vodacom Tanzania Plc and TPB Bank Plc in the market.

In a statement released on Saturday, Vodacom said the new service will allow group members to save securely, access loans effectively and invest with transparency through the M-Pesa platform.

"I believe that each and every one of us either knows of or is a member of a Saccos, Kikoba or Upatu. Vodacom in recognising the huge role that groups savings play in boosting and raising incomes among different community members, decided to create a service to make

these groups more efficient but also move them into the digital financing space," said Epimack Mbeteni, Director of M-Commerce at Vodacom Tanzania.

Official data shows that an estimated 16 percent of the Tanzanian adult population (over 4.4 million people), the majority of them being women, are enrolled in over 50,000 village savings and loans groups (VICOBAs) holding savings of over 100bn/- in cash.

Apart from the formal registered group there are also an estimated over 50,000 other informal groups involved in peer group savings and lending through social networks like alumni groups, family associations, professional groups, among others.

As a market leader in the mobile money space, Vodacom's M-Pesa has introduced many innovative

solutions that address the needs of the market helping its customers move into the digital era hence the introduction of Vodacom Pamoja Group Savings is dedicated for such initiatives.

Vodacom Group wallet 'Pamoja' seeks to address some of the challenges long faced by the VICOBA and Saccos groups which include security, record keeping, fund collection and disbursement, among others by offering a sustainable and scalable platform.

Among other benefits, use of 'Pamoja Group Saving' will allow members to be able to follow through various group transactions including available group contribution balance hence enhancing increased transparency, reduce complexity and uncertainty associated with managing group finances.



Kinondoni District Commissioner, Daniel Chongolo (2nd L), cuts a ribbon to officially launch an ALAF Limited Mwenge gallery at a ceremony held in Dar es Salaam during the weekend. Looking on from left are: ALAF Marketing Officer, Theresia Mmasi, the company's General Manager, Dipti Mohanty and Marketing Manager, Isamba Kasaka. Photo: Guardian Photographer.

## ENGAGEMENT

# Diamond Trust Bank, PKF Associates equip SME customers with financial, tax skills

By Guardian Reporter

SMALL and Medium Size entrepreneurs who are clients of Diamond Trust Bank were given knowledge and skills on how to exploit the bank's products including loans but also understand the 2018 Finance Act for the purpose of paying government taxes.

In a statement, DTB Tanzania said in partnership with tax consulting firm, PKF Associates, the workshop also equipped SME clients with record keeping of their businesses but also how to apply and utilise loans.

The statement further noted that the workshop comprehensively covered the compliance and regulatory requirements including the Finance Act 2018/19 that came into effect on the 1st July 2018; setting out various

amendments and guidelines on taxation and practical aspects of labour laws in the country.

The participants also had an exposure to DTB Tanzania's product and services available which included bank guarantees, letters of credit, insurance premium financing, funds transfer services and cash in transit.

Speaking with the SME clients, DTB Tanzania CEO and Country Manager, Viju Cherian reiterated they are targeting SMEs with similar workshops across the bank's branch network in the country. "The purpose is to enlighten the SMEs on good business practices - from book keeping, business compliance and credit management, which are all key ingredients for successful business management," Cherian said.

"SMEs are a very special segment of the

economy that needs sustained support. DTB Tanzania has granted loans of more than 285bn/- to Tanzanian SMEs with the SME loan book representing 40 percent of the bank's total loan portfolio," Cherian added.

DTB-Tanzania presently has a network of 28 branches in Tanzania, 14 branches in Dar es Salaam; two branches in Arusha and Mwanza and one each in Dodoma, Kahama, Mbeya, Morogoro, Moshi, Mtwara, Mwanza, Tabora, Tanga and Zanzibar.

DTB Tanzania is part of DTB Group, a pan East African banking group, with over 130 branches across Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda and Burundi. The bank is also an affiliate of the Agha Khan fund for Economic Development (AKFED), the economic development arm of the Aga Khan Development Network.



A cross-section of SME representatives from Dodoma city follow closely the proceedings during a one day workshop jointly organized by DTB Tanzania and PKF Associates last week. Photo: courtesy of DTB.

## GROWTH

# Cape Town tech firm secures \$1.85m funding to expand

CAPE TOWN

WhereIsMyTransport, a public transport data and technology company founded in Cape Town and incorporated in the UK, has announced an investment of \$1.85m from Lill Ventures and Goodwell Investments as part of its Series A funding round.

The investment has been secured as the company expands its digital mapping of formal and informally run public transport networks into new emerging markets, including its first data collection projects in India and

Latin America.

Data for more than 30 major cities in emerging markets are now available on the WhereIsMyTransport integrated mobility data platform - an open API for mobility data and commuter services.

Returning investor Goodwell Investments is joined by Lill Ventures, a Corporate Venture Capital fund in the mobility sector. Wim van der Beek, founder and managing partner at Goodwell Investments, said poor mobility in emerging markets is a huge social issue that has been

overlooked for years.

In his view, WhereIsMyTransport's data and technology has a direct and sustainable positive impact on the livelihood of hundreds of millions of excluded households in these markets. "WhereIsMyTransport and its solutions are perfectly aligned with our investment strategy, and we are thrilled to continue to support the company and its mission for social change," Van der Beek said in a statement.

In recognition of its achievements in Africa and further

WhereIsMyTransport recently received an award for Innovation and Service Transformation from the State Information Technology Agency (SITA) and an award for Outstanding Achievement in Transport Innovation from the Intelligent Transport Society.

The award for Outstanding Achievement, from the Intelligent Transport Society (ITS), is given to transport organisations improving operational efficiency, reducing carbon emissions and making transport systems more accessible.



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## CHARITY

# Mobisol's 16m/- solar system donation to end Kisongo Prison's lighting shortage

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

ARUSHA based Kisongo Prison staff, their families and inmates heaved a sigh of relief during the weekend when Mobisol Tanzania Limited donates solar power system worth 16.4m/- to end its lighting challenge especially at night.

The Mobisol solar system's donation means that Kisongo is now safe from insecurity caused by darkness when national grid power fails.

Arusha Regional Commissioner, Mrisho Gambo who activated the solar system at the prison which covers 90 percent of the facility's needs, including 105 bulbs and one 32-inch television with an embedded decoder, paid tribute to Mobisol for the support.

The donation comprised two 80W set, two 120W set and three 200W set along with their batteries, wiring as well as phone charging infrastructure. "You (Mobisol) probably don't know the importance of your donation to us," Gambo said while underlining that security at the prison facility is one of the most fundamentals things.

He explained that the Regional Prisons Officer, Assistant Commissioner of Prisons Underson Kaptilo had asked his regional office to beef up security with other security organs whenever an outage happens from the national grid.

The Arusha regional prison, which accommodates over 1,500 inmates owes Tanesco 548m/- in outstanding bills, the debt which continues to accumulate each year. Tanesco regularly carries out special operations to disconnect power from its customers to coerce them to pay their bills timely.

President John Magufuli has directed the power utility company to disconnect electricity at any public institution that has huge outstanding bills saying electricity as a utility is budgeted for

by Treasury each year.

"Owing to a myriad of responsibilities, the prisons management had been directing the funds budgeted for electricity to other pressing needs," the Regional Commissioner said.

The RC who is the Mobisol loyal customer himself, said the donated solar systems would now give the regional prison management an opportunity for using the money it would save for settling its outstanding power bills.

He commended Mobisol for operating professionally, saying he had never received any complaint from the firm's workers since he was appointed Arusha RC as was the case with other institutions in the region.

Mobisol also contributes a lot both at region and the national levels through jobs with 450 permanent employees and 1,000 contractors, technicians with its monthly wage bill standing at 160m/-.

The company also collects 190m/- in value added tax annually, pays over 500m/- import duty per month and 400m/- in corporate tax annually.

The firm has spent over 100m/- in corporate social responsibility expenditure for the past three years that it has been operating in the country. "If each institution in the region did only one such good deed, we would have reduced many challenges," Gambo added.

With over 90,000 solar home systems installed since its inception in Tanzania, Mobisol has managed to reach about 450,000 people and contributes to a reduction of more than 30,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions annually.

In East Africa, Mobisol provides its software solution 'Paygee' and hardware through a growing network of B2B partnerships in Kenya, Tanzania and Rwanda, let alone in other nine countries worldwide.

CRISIS

# It's a cruel world for UK companies weighing no-deal Brexit

LONDON

It was Airbus and clothing designer Burberry Group this week. Rarely a day passes in Britain without another corporate warning about the perils of leaving the European Union without an agreement.

While the focus has been on trade with the EU, the problem is that what's become known as a "no-deal Brexit" might be just as bad for companies doing business with other parts of world. And executives and policy makers say there's little they can do to prepare.

Politicians in London are seemingly at an intractable impasse, and the UK's failure to guarantee free-trade agreements with countries like South Korea, Turkey and Norway has left exporters and importers concerned they too will be cut adrift.

About 11% of Britain's trade is currently covered by deals struck by the EU for its member states, ones the UK will have to replicate to maintain unencumbered exports and imports to and from more than 30 countries.

After more than two years of limbo, Britain is confronting the prospect of customs barriers leading to shortages of everything from medical supplies to manufacturing components. Liam Fox, the minister in charge of international trade, said this month that the major deals would be rolled over before leaving the EU in March, but others

wouldn't.

At Lye Cross Farm, a cheese producer in southern England, it's hard to know how to prepare because so much is undecided, said Peter Alvis, the managing director. The business exports about \$2m of extra mature and vintage cheddar each year to Canada, which has a trade accord with the EU.

"It's a twist or bust moment," said Alvis. His customers want to guarantee their supply and may look to alternative providers if the UK's status remains unclear, he said. "Until we've got some concrete information on what's going to happen, it's very, very difficult. There's not a massive amount we can do."

The UK trades with dozens of countries via agreements it has through the EU. They will no longer be valid if Britain is forced to revert to World Trade Organisation rules once it leaves the bloc. UK exporters would be subject to tariffs.

It's a long way from the nostalgic mantras of the pro-Brexit campaign of a former imperial giant breaking out of the shackles of EU membership to strike out in the world again, and indeed assurances that rolling over third-country trade deals would be simple.

Bloomberg Economics's Dan Hanson estimates a free-trade agreement with the US would make up less than 15% of the economic hit to Britain from a no-deal Brexit. Accords with a group of countries from the

old British Empire, including Canada, would make up only about 13%.

Parliament is due to vote on a new strategy for Brexit in January, but May is unlikely to come back with something that would immediately end the deadlock following last week's record defeat in a House of Commons vote.

Meanwhile, the chorus of doomsayers grows louder. Airbus, which makes wings for commercial aircraft in Britain, said on Thursday it might be forced to move future investments elsewhere in the event of a no-deal divorce. At the World Economic Forum in Davos, Bank of England Governor Mark Carney said UK businesses are "limited" in what they can do to prepare for logistical delays.

Trutex, a school uniform retailer based in Lancashire, northwest England, imports the vast majority of its garments from countries like Bangladesh and Sri Lanka duty-free through EU agreements. Those imports could be subject to 12% tariffs if free-trade deals cease to be in place for the UK, said Matthew Easter, Trutex's managing director. "That's the big risk for us," Easter said. "We could be in a tight spot if there's that cost inflation."

The five biggest of the agreements that need rolling over should be in place come Brexit day, according to Fox, the government's trade secretary. He said on Wednesday he's agreed "in principle" to roll over the ex-

isting EU-Israel agreement. One with Switzerland will be signed in the coming weeks, he told BBC television earlier this month.

Some firms are skeptical that there'll be any immediate changes and expect that any disruption will be minimal. At Swift Scooters, which sells about 100 000 pounds worth of goods to South Korea each year, it's not worth trying to gauge the future, said co-founder Jason Iftakhar. "I don't think it will change overnight for me," he said.

"It's hard to prophesise whether those renegotiations of trade deals will affect us." Realistically, the UK government could at most agree "patch-up" accords with the third countries by Brexit day before turning to more long-term negotiations, according to Alan Winters, director of the UK Trade Policy Observatory in the

University of Sussex.

There could be issues with the rules of origin when the UK tries to renegotiate these deals, according to the observatory. Free-trade agreements require a certain proportion of inputs to originate from the exporting country.

Right now, EU and UK inputs are usually interchangeable. After Brexit, if parties can't agree on a similar set of rules companies could have to skew supply chains toward domestic production to conform to the new ones.

Countries are also likely to take advantage of the UK's weakened bargaining position once it quits the largest trading bloc in the world. "Trade negotiation is a vicious old game," Winters said. "Trade negotiators on the whole are vicious sorts of people, and they know we're weak."



Bank of England Governor Mark Carney speaking at the World Economic Forum in Davos last week.

TRADE WAR

# EU eyes tariffs on \$23bn of US goods if Trump taxes cars

BRUSSELS

The European Union is prepared to hit €20bn of US goods with tariffs should President Donald Trump follow through on a threat to impose duties on EU cars and auto parts, said a senior trade official for the bloc.

The assertion by Jean-Luc Demarty, director general for trade in the European Commission, the EU's executive arm, highlights the risk of a sudden escalation in trans-Atlantic commercial tensions following a truce struck six months ago.

"We shall continue to face a US administration that is content to threaten trade measures even against close allies and partners and, in general, to disrupt the status quo in pursuit of its goals," Demarty told a European Parliament committee on Wednesday in Brussels. "We should stay calm."

Europe is bracing for more possible US curbs on imports while seeking to show progress in enacting a political accord reached at the White House in July to "work together toward zero tariffs, zero non-tariff barriers, and zero subsidies on non-auto industrial goods." Last week, the commission unveiled a blueprint for a free-trade deal

with the US that would cut tariffs on a wide range of industrial goods including cars.

The July 25 pact between Trump and commission President Jean-Claude Juncker put on hold the threat of US tariffs on EU cars and auto parts that would be based on the same national-security grounds invoked for controversial American levies on foreign steel and aluminium. A US probe of automotive imports is due to be completed in February.

The metal duties as high as 25% prompted tit-for-tat retaliation by the EU last year on €2.8bn of imports of a range of US products including Harley-Davidson motorcycles, Levi Strauss & Co jeans and bourbon whiskey, with the bloc reserving the right to target a further €3.6bn of American goods by late March 2021.

US tariffs on European cars and auto parts would mark a significant escalation of trans-Atlantic tensions because the value of EU automotive exports to the American market is about 10 times greater than that of the bloc's steel and aluminum exports combined. As a result, European retaliatory duties would target a bigger amount of US exports to Europe.

A 25% US levy on foreign cars would add €10 000 to the sticker price of European vehicles imported into the country, according to the commission.

"We should be ready to respond appropriately and effectively to any new trade restrictions that the US administration may create for us," Demarty said. "We have prepared a draft list of imports from the US to the value of €20bn on which re-balancing action could be taken."

He said the 28-nation EU should reject any plan by the Trump administration for either tariffs or quotas on European automotive goods based on national-security grounds. Last year, the bloc rejected a US demand for caps on European metal exports to the American market.

"If the administration issues a report in the next few weeks proposing import duties or quotas on European cars and car parts, we should be clear that we are not interested in any managed trade solution and that we will react if we are hit," Demarty said.



Jean-Luc Demarty, director general for trade in the European Commission.



## ISIDINGO MONDAY - FRIDAY STARTING 7:30 PM I T V

SUNDAY 27 Jan	TUESDAY 29 Jan	THURSDAY 31 Jan	FRIDAY 01 Feb
5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi	5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi	5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi	5:30 Uwanja wa Mazoezi
6:00 HABARI	6:00 Habari	6:00 HABARI	6:00 HABARI
6:40 Kumekucha	6:40 Kumekucha	6:40 Kumekucha	6:40 Kumekucha
7:00 Habari	7:30 HABARI	7:30 HABARI	7:00 Habari
8:00 Al Jazeera	8:00 Kumekucha Michezo	8:00 Kumekucha Michezo	8:00 Kumekucha Michezo
09:00 Watoto Wetu	8:55 Habari za saa	9:00 Habari za saa	9:00 Habari za saa
10:00 Isidingo	9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo	9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo	9:00 Kumekucha Kishindo
11:45 Aibu Yako	9:30 Isidingo	9:30 Isidingo	9:30 Isidingo
11:50 Hawavumi lakini wamo rpt	9:55 Habari za saa	9:55 Habari za saa	9:55 Habari za saa
	10:00 Watoto wetu	10:00 Watoto wetu	10:00 Watoto wetu
12:50 Bongo Movie rpt: DNA 2	10:30 Hawavumi lakini wamo	10:30 Hawavumi lakini wamo	10:30 Hawavumi lakini wamo
14:00 Tamasha la Michezo	10:55 Habari za saa	10:55 Habari za saa	10:55 Habari za saa
15:00 Mwangaaza	11:00 Hawavumi lakini wamo	11:00 Hawavumi lakini wamo	11:00 Hawavumi lakini wamo
16:00 Korean drama: The great queen Seonduk	11:15 Igizo: Mtego	11:15 Igizo: Mtego	11:15 Igizo: Mtego
16:45 Mjue zaidi	11:55 Habari za saa	11:55 Habari za saa	11:55 Habari za saa
17:30 Kipindi cha kikristo	12:00 Al Jazeera	12:00 Al Jazeera	12:00 Al Jazeera
18:00 Jiji Letu	12:30 Afya ya jamii rpt	12:30 Afya ya jamii rpt	12:30 Afya ya jamii rpt
18:15 Mapishi	12:55 Habari za saa	12:55 Habari za saa	12:55 Habari za saa
18:30 Mizengwe rpt	13:00 Uchumi na biashara	13:00 Uchumi na biashara	13:00 Uchumi na biashara
18:45 Matukia ya wiki	13:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt : TFDA	13:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt : TFDA	13:30 Kipindi Maalum rpt : TFDA
19:30 Igizo: Mtego	13:55 Habari za saa	13:55 Habari za saa	13:55 Habari za saa
20:00 Habari	14:00 Huduma ya kwanza	14:00 Huduma ya kwanza	14:00 Huduma ya kwanza
21:00 Biko draw	14:15 Telenovela: Destiny	14:15 Telenovela: Destiny	14:15 Telenovela: Destiny
21:05 Mizengwe	14:55 Habari za saa	14:55 Habari za saa	14:55 Habari za saa
21:30 3Mzuka	15:00 Meza Huru	15:00 Meza Huru	15:00 Meza Huru
22:00 Bongo Movie: Fundi Rama	16:30 Watoto wetu	16:30 Watoto wetu	16:30 Watoto wetu
23:15 Telenovela rpt: Destiny (Destino)	17:00 The Base	17:00 The Base	17:00 The Base
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6:00 Habari	19:30 Isidingo	19:30 Isidingo	19:30 Isidingo
6:40 Kumekucha	20:00 Habari	20:00 Habari	20:00 Habari
7:30 HABARI	21:00 Documentary: Living on the edge	21:00 Documentary: Living on the edge	21:00 Documentary: Living on the edge
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23:00 Habari			
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00:30 Al Jazeera			
02:00 CNN International			

**TONIGHT @ 21:00**

**UJENZI**

Ujenzi Watch this informative show on the domestic construction process both on site construction and interior/exterior designing whilst using the latest technology and appliances that have made construction easier.

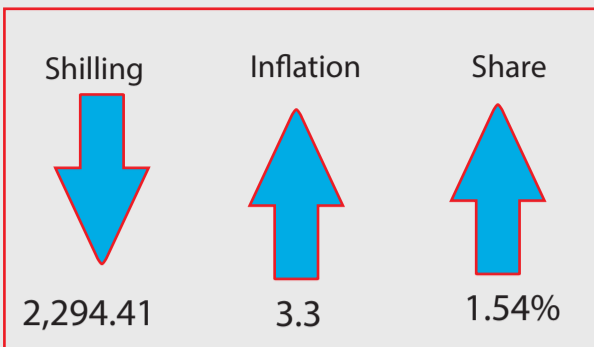
**MONDAY**

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16:00 UTAKE  
16:30 #HASTAG  
17:00 SSELEKT  
17:55 KURASA  
18:00 eNewz  
18:30 Music  
19:00 EA TV SAA 1  
19:30 MJADALA  
21:00 UJENZI  
21:30 5SPORTS LIVE  
22:30 BONGO HITS

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05:00 EA Breakfast  
09:00 Supamix  
12:00 Kipenga Xtra  
13:00 Planet Bongo  
16:00 EA Drive  
20:00 Kipenga  
21:00 The Cruise

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**Total Market Capitalization**  
 TZS 19,802.80 bln (USD 8,687.67 mln)  
 Indices January 25, 2019

TSI	3,615.04	+0.00
DSEI	2,054.45	+36.01

**Top Movers**

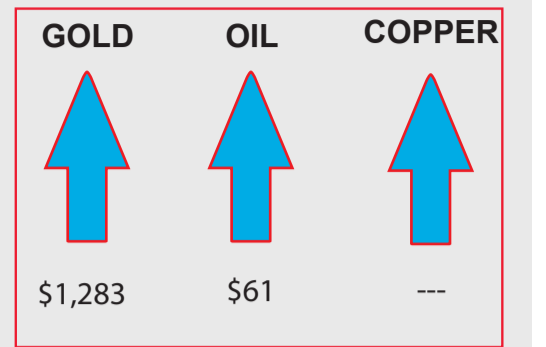
Company	Price	Volume
VODA	800	110,860
CRDB	135	85,390
TCCL	640	6,513

**THIS WEEK AVERAGE PRICES FOR FOOD CROPS TSH/100KG**

Maize	50,636	Finger Millet	147,632
Rice	173,864	Wheat	121,429
Sorghum	81,056	Beans	172,045
Bulrush Millet	85,818	Round potatoes	85,643

**Exchange Rates (DSE)**

Currency	Buying	Selling
EUR	2,591.28	2,617.65
USD	2,268.07	2,290.76
KES	22.38	22.56
GBP	2,947.82	2,977.52



**Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange**

Date: January 25, 2019

Company	Closing	Prev	Chg (%)
ACA	5,500	5,350	+2.80
CRDB	135	135	+0.00
DCB	340	340	+0.00
DSEI	1,320	1,320	+0.00
EABL	4,200	3,860	+8.81
JHL	9,850	9,800	+0.51
KA	190	190	+0.00
KCB	900	900	+0.00
MBP	500	500	+0.00
MCB	500	500	+0.00
MKCB	800	800	+0.00
MUCOB	400	400	+0.00
NICO	265	265	+0.00
NMB	2,340	2,340	+0.00
NMG	1,360	1,300	+4.62
PAL	400	400	+0.00
SWALA	490	490	+0.00
SWIS	2,340	2,340	+0.00
TBL	12,400	12,400	+0.00
TCC	17,000	17,000	+0.00
TCCL	640	640	+0.00
TICL	385	385	+0.00
TOL	660	660	+0.00
TPCC	2,060	2,060	+0.00
TTP	120	120	+0.00
USL	20	15	+33.33
VODA	800	800	+0.00
YETU	600	600	+0.00

**DSE MARKET SUMMARY**

TSI	3,615.04	+0.00
DSEI	2,054.45	+36.01

**TRADING STATS**

Market Cap (bln)	19,802.75
Equity Turnover	95,180,720.00
Total Volume	203,463
Total Deals	36

**TOP MOVERS**

Market Cap (bln)	19,379.47	
VODA	800	110,860
CRDB	135	85,390
TCCL	640	6,513

**GAINERS & LOSERS**

Company	Price	Change
USL	20	+33.33%
JHL	9,850	+0.51%
NMG	1,360	+4.62%
ACA	5,500	+2.80%
EABL	4,200	+8.81%

**Interbank Foreign Exchange Market (IFEM)**

Date	Amount Traded (Mn USD)	High	Low	Weighted Average
25/Jan/2019	.80	2,300.65	2,293.50	2,294.41
24/Jan/2019	.80	2,300.85	2,293.45	2,294.39
23/Jan/2019	.70	2,300.00	2,293.40	2,294.36
22/Jan/2019	.80	2,300.70	2,293.35	2,294.29
21/Jan/2019	.90	2,301.80	2,293.30	2,294.27
18/Jan/2019	.80	2,301.00	2,293.25	2,294.24
17/Jan/2019	.70	2,300.00	2,293.20	2,294.19

**Inter-bank Local Money Markets**

Date	Volume (million-TZS)	High	Low	Weighted Average Rate (WAR)
25/Jan/2019	17,000	4.40	3.50	3.78
24/Jan/2019	17,500	4.25	3.00	3.61
23/Jan/2019	44,500	4.20	2.50	3.38
22/Jan/2019	36,300	4.25	2.50	3.51
21/Jan/2019	23,000	4.20	3.50	3.59

**Tanzania Shilling On Average bases**

The USD/TZS traded at 2,308.0000 on Friday January 25. Historically, the Tanzania Shilling reached an all time high of 2340 in January of 2019 and a record low of 1014.30 in December of 2004.

**Gold up as dollar eases; global growth concerns lend support**

\* Economic conditions could help gold break above \$1,300-analyst  
 \* Platinum sets sights on first weekly gain in three  
 \* Palladium heads for first weekly fall in five

**LONDON, Jan 25 (Reuters)** - Gold edged up on Friday as the dollar eased from a multi-week peak, with bullion seen consolidating in a narrow range supported by concerns about global growth and political uncertainties, including the U.S. government shutdown.

Spot gold rose 0.2 percent to \$1,283.69 per ounce, as of 1103 GMT, holding in a tight range of about \$6, and on course for a small weekly gain.

U.S. gold futures climbed 0.3 percent to \$1,283 per ounce.

China trade war would trigger a sharper downturn, according to the latest Reuters polls of hundreds of economists from around the world.

Investors are also worried about the impact of the longest U.S. government shutdown in history, now in its 34th day, with two bills to end the partial shutdown failing to win enough votes in the Senate.

Yet another key focus are developments surrounding the U.S.-China trade front, with U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross stating on Thursday the two countries are "miles and miles" from resolving issues.

"We have seen quite a bit of asset reallocation in recent times, the Exchange Traded Fund holdings have risen quite substantially in recent weeks and months," Strachan said.

Holdings of SPDR Gold GLD, the largest gold-based ETF, hovered around its highest levels since late June 2018.

Among other metals, palladium, which hit a record high of \$1,434.50 an ounce last week on low inventories and rising demand, down 0.3 percent to \$1,315.64.

The metal was also heading for its first weekly drop in five, falling over 4 percent so far this week.

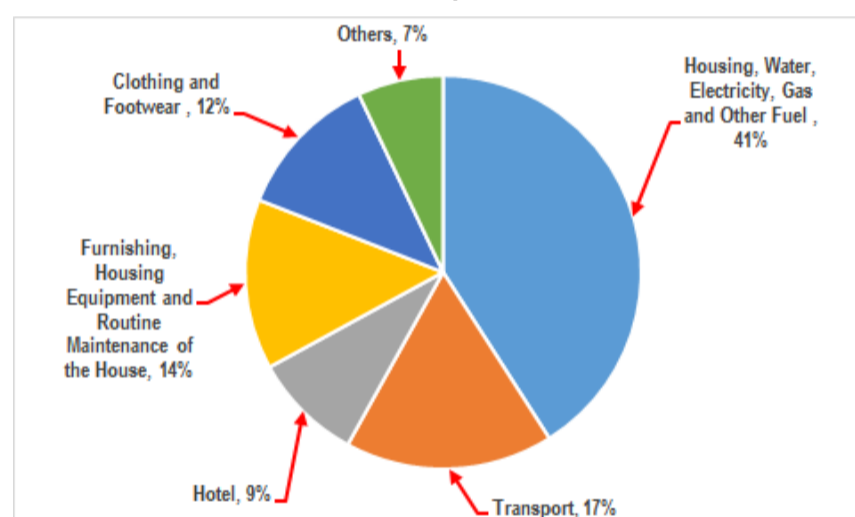
Silver rose 0.4 percent to \$15.38 per ounce, while platinum gained 0.2 percent to \$802.19, on track for its first weekly gain in three.

**All Share Index : 25 Jan 2019**

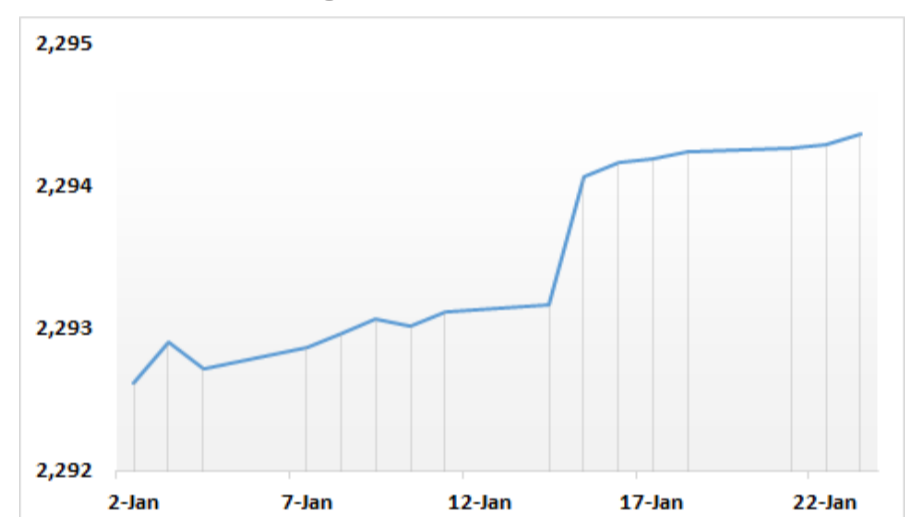
Africa	Actual	Change	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
NSE-All Share	31413	423	1.37%	-0.05%	-2.22%	-29.21%
JALSH-All Share	53917	278	0.52%	0.66%	4.92%	-12.19%
FTSE/JSE TOP 40	47760	286	0.60%	0.70%	4.96%	-12.12%
Egypt EGX 30	13507	0	0.00%	-0.03%	5.65%	-11.79%
Casablanca CFG 25	11,329	4.62	0.04%	1.13%	0.66%	-12.92%
NSE All Share	145	0.06	0.04%	0.20%	3.17%	-20.03%
Nairobi 20	2,878	0.23	0.01%	0.97%	3.02%	-22.82%
DSEI	2,018	10.42	0.52%	0.62%	1.02%	-15.12%
TUN	7,188	15.55	-0.22%	-0.88%	0.23%	12.56%
GGSECI	2,440	10.17	0.42%	-1.97%	-2.99%	-19.62%
Gaborone	7,877	3.97	0.05%	0.02%	0.30%	-10.00%
SEMDEX	2221	4	-0.19%	-0.28%	0.33%	-1.45%
NSX Overall	1340	2	0.17%	0.79%	4.68%	-4.20%
Zimbabwe Index	533.75	2.09	0.39%	4.32%	11.19%	74.90%

DSEI increased 10 points or 0.52% to 2054 on Friday January 25 from 2018 in the previous trading session. Historically, the Tanzania All Share Index DSEI reached an all time high of 3686.97 in January of 2019 and a record low of 1161.30 in December of 2010.

**Inflation 3.3% - December 2018: Top Movers**



**Fluctuation of a Shilling**



**Oil prices climb as U.S. threatens sanctions against Venezuela**

**LONDON Jan 25 (Reuters)** - Oil prices edged up on Friday as turmoil in Venezuela increased the chances of tighter global supply if the United States makes good on signals that it could impose sanctions on Venezuelan exports.

Global oil markets are still well supplied, however, thanks in part to surging output in the United States.

But fresh data on surging U.S. fuel stocks and worries about U.S.-China trade talks weighed on prices.

Record U.S. production would likely offset any short-term disruptions to Venezuelan supply due to possible U.S. sanctions, Britain's Barclays said in a note.

Brent crude oil futures were at \$61.17 a barrel at 0955 GMT, up 8 cents, or 0.13 percent. Earlier on Friday, the international benchmark crude rose as high as \$61.92.

The bank cut its 2019 average Brent forecast to \$70 a barrel, from \$72 previously.

Brent, however, has shed about 2.4 percent since the start of trade on Monday and is on track to post its first week of losses in four weeks.

The output surge has swollen U.S. fuel stocks, and crude inventories rose by 8 million barrels last week, according to official data released on Thursday.

U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude futures were at \$53.34 per barrel, up 21 cents, or 0.4 percent.

But demand may start to stutter because of a global economic slowdown, which is likely to dent fuel consumption.

Amid violent street protests, Venezuela's opposition leader Juan Guaido declared himself interim president this week, winning recognition from Washington and parts of Latin America.

A trade dispute between the United States and China and tightening financial conditions around the world have hurt manufacturing activity in most economies and dragged China's growth last year to the weakest in nearly 30 years.

Nicolas Maduro, the country's leader since 2013, responded by breaking relations with the United States.

According to Reuters polls of hundreds of economists worldwide, a synchronized global economic slowdown is underway and would deepen if the U.S.-China trade war escalated.

"The oil market is partially pricing in the risk to Venezuela's crude production, which has been plummeting in recent years," Vandana Hari of Vanda Insights said.

RBC Europe predicted that sanctions could nearly double projected output shortfalls from the troubled

**Fuel Wef. Wednesday, 2nd Jan 2019**

Town	Petrol (TZS/Litre)	Diesel (TZS/Litre)	Kerosene (TZS/Litre)
Dar es Salaam	2,295	2,224	2,202
Arusha	2,255	2,299	2,286
Kibaha	2,300	2,228	2,206
Dodoma	2,354	2,283	2,260
Geita	2,461	2,389	2,367
Iringa	2,359	2,288	2,266
Katavi	2,503	2,432	2,410
Kigoma	2,527	2,455	2,433
Moshi	2,245	2,289	2,276
Lindi	2,354	2,283	2,261
Manyara	2,289	2,333	2,320
Mara	2,474	2,403	2,380
Mbeya	2,402	2,331	2,309
Morogoro	2,320	2,249	2,227
Mtwara	2,368	2,296	2,274
Mwanza	2,445	2,374	2,352
Njombe	2,388	2,316	2,294
Sumbawanga	2,468	2,397	2,375
Ruvuma	2,419	2,347	2,325
Shinyanga	2,424	2,353	2,331
Singida	2,386	2,315	2,292
Songwe	2,411	2,340	2,318
Tabora	2,449	2,378	2,356
Tanga	2,198	2,243	2,229

**Foreign Exchange- Jan 25**

	Actual	Chg	%Chg
EURUSD	1.14005	0.0096	0.84%
GBPUSD	1.31951	0.0131	1.00%
AUDUSD	0.71808	0.0087	1.22%
NZDUSD	0.68361	0.0075	1.11%
USDJPY	109.55	0.0840	-0.08%
USDCNY	6.75240	0.0421	-0.62%
EUR0	0.99320	0.0031	-0.31%
USDCAD	1.32170	0.0130	-0.97%
USDMXN	18.9831	0.0349	-0.18%
USDINR	70.9400	0.0500	-0.07%
USDBRL	3.7709	0.0601	1.62%
USDRUB	66.0000	0.3040	0.46%
US Dollar	95.82	0.7840	-0.81%
USDKRW	1,118.44	9.3101	-0.83%

**Exchange Rates for 25 / Jan /2019**

**Currency in 100 Units Spot Buying Spot Selling**

**EAST AFRICAN CURRENCIES**

Kenya SHS	2,243.60	2,261.57
Uganda SHS	57.95	62.09
Rwandan Franc	253.35	256.45
Burundi Franc	217.50	219.14

**OTHER SELECTED CURRENCIES**

USD	227,164.36	229,436.00
Pound STG	296,017.87	299,001.00
EURO	258,263.16	260,868.73
Canadian \$	170,684.77	172,339.82
Switz. Franc	227,893.62	230,103.30
Japanese YEN	2,071.16	2,091.88
Swedish Kronor	25,216.67	25,460.36
Norweg. Kronor	26,478.81	26,728.02
Danish Kronor	34,594.96	34,930.27
Australian \$	162,036.34	163,679.64
Indian RPS	3,185.99	3,216.86
Pakistan RPS	1,555.36	1,627.21
Zambian Kwacha	18,835.24	19,135.61
Malawian Kwacha	290.25	310.87
Mozambique-MET	3,649.23	3,679.81
Zimbabwe \$	42.51	43.37
SDR	315,901.57	319,060.58
Gold (T/O)	291,881,209.94	294,983,570.84
S. African Rand	16,389.92	16,541.89
UAE Dirham	61,850.46	62,457.06
Singapore \$	167,167.82	168,777.40
Hong Kong \$	28,954.73	29,242.79
Saud Arabian Rial	60,572.32	61,171.51
Kuwait Dinar	748,951.09	756,166.37
Botswana Pula	21,467.03	21,819.36
Chinese Yuan	33,473.96	33,803.72
Malaysia Ringgit	54,936.97	55,419.32
South Korea Won	201.58	203.24
Newzealand	154,199.17	155,809.99

**World Commodities (\$) 25 January 2019**

Energy	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Crude Oil	53.558	0.79%	44.1031	43.0782	42.0804
Silver	61.4194	0.54%	52.2204	51.0288	49.8638
Natural gas	3.1629	2.42%	2.8508	2.7349	2.6241
Gasoline	1.3883	0.01%	1.2573	1.2257	1.195
Heating oil	1.8888	0.22%	1.6388	1.6066	1.575
Ethanol	1.261	0.00%	1.2184	1.2011	1.1841
Naphtha	458.87	0.41%	453.8	444.91	436.16
Propane	0.67	0.18%	0.66	0.64	0.63
Uranium	29	0.00%	28.1409	27.7875	27.437

**CROPS, PRICE PER 100KG JAN 25, 2019**

Region	Maize	Sorghum	Bulrush Millet	Finger Millet	Wheat	Beans	Irish potatoes
Arusha	Low 42000, High 43000, Rice 160000, High 200000	Low 32000, High 35000	Low 42000, High 45000	Low 70000, High 75000	Low 70000, High 75000	Low 100000, High 100000	Low 160000, High 160000
D/Salaam	7000, 160000, 230000	6000, 60000	7000, 110000	140000, 140000	110000, 150000	180000, 210000	45000, 80000
Dodoma	44000, 45000, 140000,						



## WORLD

## Queen urges UK politicians to end bickering

LONDON

QUEEN Elizabeth has sent a delicately coded message to Britain's fractious political class over Brexit, urging MPs to seek common ground and grasp the big picture to resolve the crisis.

With the clock ticking down to March 29, the date set in law for Britain to leave the European Union, the United Kingdom is in the deepest political crisis in half a century as it grapples with how, or even whether, to exit the European project it joined in 1973.

While Elizabeth, 92, did not mention Brexit explicitly in an annual speech to her local Women's Institute in Norfolk, the monarch said every generation faced "fresh challenges and opportunities."

"As we look for new answers in the modern age, I for one prefer the tried and tested recipes, like speaking well of each other and respecting different points of view; coming together to seek out the common ground; and never losing sight of the bigger pic-

ture," the queen said.

Though steeped in the conventional language the queen has made her hallmark, the remarks in the context of Britain's crisis are a signal to politicians to sort out the turmoil that has pushed the world's fifth largest economy to the brink.

"She's been a gold standard monarch for very nearly 67 years now and this is a particularly gilt-edged moment, I think it's very important what she said and how she said it," historian Peter Hennessy said.

Buckingham Palace declined to comment though the British media was clear about the significance of her remarks. The Times' headline read: "End Brexit feud, Queen tells warring politicians".

As head of state, the queen remains neutral on politics in public and is unable to vote, though ahead of the 2014 referendum on Scottish independence she made a delicately crafted plea for Scots to think carefully about their future.

The future of Brexit remains unpre-



Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May (left) smiles with Britain's Queen Elizabeth II at the formal opening of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) at Buckingham Palace in London on April 19, 2018. (File photo)

dictable with options ranging from a disorderly exit that would spook investors across the world to a new referendum that could reverse the process.

Prime Minister Theresa May is engaged in a last-ditch bid to win support for a tweaked divorce deal after parliament this month crushed the original plan in the biggest defeat in modern British history.

The Northern Irish party which props up May's minority government has decided to back her new deal if it includes a time limit to the Irish backstop, The Sun newspaper reported.

May has been meeting MPs to discuss a range of options on how to address concerns on the backstop, an insurance policy aimed at avoiding a hard border in Ireland should the two sides fail to agree any other solution.

"The point we are at the moment is that work

is ongoing, as to what we may eventually bring forward and potentially discuss with Brussels, we are not there yet," her spokesman said.

Sterling scaled a high of US\$1.3140 for the first time since Nov 8 in Asia, before edging back to trade at US\$1.3095, as traders bet Brexit will be delayed. Options markets indicated sterling could rise to the mid-US\$1.30s.

But in a sign of the turmoil at the heart of government, finance minister Philip Hammond declined to say if he would quit if Britain left the EU without a deal that he predicted would lead to significant short-term disruption and hurt the economy. France and other European powers said they were preparing for the worst.

Goldman Sachs will invest less in the United Kingdom if there is a difficult or hard Brexit, Chief Executive Officer David Solomon said.

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## Chinese books add luster to Cairo International Book Fair in golden jubilee

CAIRO

CHINESE books and cultural products added luster to Egypt's annual Cairo International Book Fair (CIBF) in its golden jubilee.

The CIBF, which is held at the Egypt International Exhibition Center in Cairo, kicked off on Jan. 22 and will run until Feb. 5, featuring hundreds of side events dedicated to culture.

In the first hall of the book fair, Chinese flags and bright red lanterns dangled over the bookshelves at China's largest pavilion at the book fair.

Chinese publishing houses and companies have eight pavilions at the fair, five of which are affiliated with Cairo-based Chinese "Wisdom House for Cultural Industries" institution.

"We have five pavilions this year. The major pavilion is approximately 100 square meters and it is divided into three sections," Ahmed al-Saeed, CEO of Wisdom House, told Xinhua.

The first section includes books on Chinese culture and literature, while the second section presents children's books and the third is dedicated to Chinese textbooks.

"The second pavilion is dedicated to selling Chinese cultural products, such as lanterns, calendars and other traditional cultural items. This happens for the first time at the Cairo book fair," al-Saeed said.

This pavilion displays products such as intelligence games, flags, fans and mirrors with Chinese illustrations, he added.

"We have been exhibiting some special Chinese accessories for Spring Festival celebrations since 2015. This year, we brought a shipment of about 100,000 Chinese items for the festival," al-Saeed revealed.

He said the Chinese community is large and these items are necessary for them during the celebrations, adding that the Egyptians as well started to observe the Spring Festival every year.

"The third pavilion is dedicated to selling Chinese children's books translated into Arabic, while the fourth pavilion is the official place... not dedicated to selling any books. The fifth pavilion sells educational books and textbooks," al-Saeed said.

In its pavilions, Wisdom House displays 550 titles translated from Chinese into Arabic with



A visitor looks at Chinese books inside one of the China's pavilions during the 50th Cairo International Book Fair in Cairo, Egypt, Jan. 23, 2019. Chinese books and cultural products added luster to Egypt's annual Cairo International Book Fair (CIBF) in its golden jubilee. (Xinhua)

300 titles for educational books and more than 50 titles of Chinese cultural products, according to al-Saeed.

In addition to the Wisdom House, China Today magazine, Beijing Normal University Publishing Group and Shanghai KS Printing Company are participating in the book fair.

Al-Saeed said the Chinese pavilions have witnessed a huge turnout as more Egyptians are willing to learn more about China.

Since its establishment in 2011, Wisdom House, which operates in both Egypt and China, has been focusing on publishing China-related cultural and literary books in Arabic to enhance China-Arab cultural exchange.

Egyptian-Chinese bilateral ties have been elevated to the level of comprehensive strategic partnership with growing economic and cultural cooperation between the two countries in the light of China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative.

Inside the second pavilion of the Wisdom House, Dina Mohammed and her child looked admirably at the Chinese cultural items.

"I have bought some Chinese red lanterns and other items because they attracted me," the middle-aged mother said.

"The book fair is a good chance for Egyptians to get closer and know more about China and its culture," she added.

Kamel Mohammed, an agriculture engineer, is a frequent visitor of the CIBF.

"The book fair is a special occasion for me where I can find books about China that I cannot find anywhere else," Mohammed told Xinhua.

First launched in 1969, the CIBF is considered the largest and oldest book fair in the Middle East and the second largest worldwide after Germany's Frankfurt Book Fair.

The fair commemorates this year former Egyptian Culture Minister Tharwat Okasha,

the brains behind the event, and Suhair al-Qalamawy, an Egyptian writer who was the first head of the General Egyptian Book Organization.

The two-week event brings together around 1,724 publishers and participants from 35 countries, with Kenya, Nigeria and Ghana taking part for the first time.

Around 10 African countries, 16 Asian countries, seven countries from Europe, and two from the Americas are participating in this year's edition.

A total of 749 publishing houses are participating in the fair, with 579 houses from Egypt and 170 foreign houses.

The event will also feature eight workshops on writing, theater and fine art and will host around 170 Arab and foreign guests, as well as more than 300 poets and 2,500 writers, critics and artists.

Xinhua

## 'US trying to directly manage situation in Venezuela'

MOSCOW

APPOINTING new US special envoy for Venezuela is an attempt to directly manage the situation in the Latin American country, Russian Foreign Ministry's official spokeswoman Maria Zakharova wrote on her Facebook page on Saturday.

"This is Washington's attempt to start directly managing the political situation in Venezuela which the US elites consider as their future vassal in the region," Zakharova said.

"They already 'restored' democracy in Iraq, as well as in Libya. They failed in Syria, or, it will be more accurate to say, they were not allowed to do it. Now it is Venezuela's turn," she added.

On January 23 Venezuelan National Assembly Speaker Juan Guaido proclaimed himself as the country's acting president. Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro has described it as a coup attempt and announced severing diplomatic relations with the United States.

Venezuelan Defense Minister Vladimir Padrino Lopez said that the armed forces do not recognize Guaido as interim president.

Guaido was recognized as interim president by the Lima Group countries (except for Mexico), as well as by Albania, Georgia, the United States, and the Organization of American States. Several EU countries came forward with support for the Venezuelan parliament and expressed hope for new elections to resolve the crisis.

Maduro was supported by Russia, Bolivia, Iran, Cuba, Nicaragua, El Salvador and Turkey. Belarus and China called for resolving all issues by peaceful means and spoke against any interference from the outside.

The UN secretary general called for dialogue to resolve the crisis.

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Russian Foreign Ministry's official spokeswoman Maria Zakharova

## Foreign troops to quit Afghanistan in 18 months under draft deal

KABUL/PESHAWAR

TALIBAN officials said U.S. negotiators on Saturday agreed a draft peace deal stipulating the withdrawal of foreign forces from Afghanistan within 18 months of the agreement being signed.

The details were provided to Reuters by Taliban sources at the end of six days of talks with U.S. special peace envoy Zalmay Khalilzad in Qatar aimed at ending the United States' longest war.

They have yet to be confirmed by U.S. officials nor has either side released an official statement. Officials at the U.S. embassy in Kabul were not immediately available for comment.

Khalilzad is heading to the Afghan capital Kabul to brief President Ashraf Ghani after the longer-than expected talks, the sources and a diplomat said.

According to the Taliban sources, the hardline Islamic group offered assurances that Afghanistan will not be allowed to be used by al-Qaeda and Islamic State militants to attack the United States and its allies - a key early demand of Washington.

It is not known if a draft is acceptable to both sides has been completed, or when it might take effect.

The Taliban sources said a key provision to the deal included a ceasefire but they had yet to confirm a timeline and will only open talks with Afghan representatives once the ceasefire is implemented.

"In 18 months if the foreign forces are withdrawn and ceasefire is implemented then other aspects of the peace process can be put into action," a Taliban source said, quoting from a portion of the draft.

Other clauses include a deal over the exchange and release of prisoners from the warring sides, the removal of an international travel ban on several Taliban leaders by the United States and the prospect of an interim Afghan government after the ceasefire is struck, the Taliban sources said.

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## Venezuelan showdown moves to UN as dueling presidents dig in

UNITED NATIONS

VENEZUELA'S political showdown moves to the United Nations on Saturday where a Security Council meeting called by the United States will pit backers of President Nicolas Maduro against the Trump administration and supporters of the country's self-declared interim leader Juan Guaido.

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo is expected to address the meeting along with Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza and the other council mem-

bers, which include supporters of both dueling presidents.

The session focusing on Venezuela's crisis comes a day after Guaido vowed to remain on the streets until his country has a transitional government, while Maduro dug in and accused his opponents of orchestrating a coup.

"They can cut a flower, but they will never keep spring from coming," Guaido told supporters Friday, alluding to a similar phrase from the Chilean poet Pablo Neruda.

In rival press conferences, Guaido

urged his followers to stage another mass protest next week, while Maduro pushed his call for dialogue. Each man appeared ready to defend his claim to the presidency no matter the cost, with Guaido telling supporters that if he is arrested they should "stay the course" and peacefully protest.

But the standoff could set the scene for more violence and has plunged troubled Venezuela into a new chapter of political turmoil that rights groups say has already left more than two dozen dead as thousands take to the street de-

manding Maduro step down.

Guaido's talk with reporters in a plaza in Caracas turned into a de facto rally as thousands gathered after hearing he would speak in public for the first time since taking a symbolic oath Wednesday proclaiming himself the nation's rightful leader.

The government of US President Donald Trump announced it was recognizing the 35-year-old leader of the opposition-controlled National Assembly quickly after his oath, leading Maduro to say that he was breaking all diplomatic

ties with the United States.

Guaido's move is the most direct challenge to Maduro's rule despite years of protests at home and international efforts to isolate the regime amid a growing humanitarian crisis fueled by falling oil prices and government mismanagement.

"This is nothing more than a coup d'etat, ordered, promoted, financed and supported by the government of the United States," Maduro said Friday. "They intend to put a puppet government in Venezuela, destroy the state and

take colonial control of the country."

But he added that he was still willing to talk with the opposition even if he "had to go naked."

On Saturday's Security Council session comes despite Russia's objection to its focus on Venezuela, according to UN diplomats. It wants the focus changed to threats to international peace and security because as Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said, it sees US actions as an "obvious call for a coup d'etat" - which would threaten peace, the diplomats said.

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## After New York drama, Osaka savours Australian coronation

MELBOURNE

WITH a resilience forged in the strife-torn U.S. Open final, Naomi Osaka clinched her second Grand Slam title at the Australian Open on Saturday, but this time there was no drama that could sour her triumph.

Osaka's breakthrough victory in New York in September was overshadowed by an explosive row between her opponent Serena Williams and the chair umpire Carlos Ramos, the fall-out from the ruckus echoing well beyond match point.

Reduced to tears during the trophy ceremony, her crowning moment as Japan's first Grand Slam title winner was spoiled as a hostile crowd at Arthur Ashe stadium jeered.

She later spoke of the moment as "bittersweet" and one she wanted to move on from only a day after it occurred.

On Saturday, the tears flowed again, firstly in anguish after losing the second set in a riveting final and finally in joy as she celebrated a 7-6(2) 5-7 6-4 victory over the brave twice Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitová.

There was not an ounce of bitterness as Osaka accepted the Daphne Akhurst Memorial Cup from Asia's first Grand Slam champion Li Na, with only warm cheers ringing from the Rod Laver Arena terraces.

"In New York, most of the crowd was for Serena. Here it felt like they were split a little bit," Osaka told reporters.

"Yeah, I mean, honestly when I was playing her, and I heard the crowd was for both of us, I was very happy. At the same time I was just trying to focus on playing the match."

Being Osaka, there was also a bit of awkwardness.

The 21-year-old started her victory speech by apologising for not being a strong "public speaker", then stopped halfway through to put

the trophy down.

After throwing out a few 'thank yous', she admitted to forgetting what had been in her speech notes and wrapped things up quickly.

Osaka might be forgiven for not being the most polished speaker. After all, it was only the third title of her career.

That two of the three titles have been at Grand Slams speaks volumes of her potential, however, and she appears set for plenty more chances to hone her speeches.

Her racket, of course, may be the tour's biggest loudspeaker, with the boom of her 192 km/hr serves and winners echoing around centre court.

Such power can be volatile over the course of three sets and she was brought to tears when broken serving for the match at 5-4 in the second set.

But, as against semi-finalist Karolina Plisková and her tricky third round opponent Hsieh Su-wei, Osaka's steel reappeared and she hammered eighth seed Kvitová mercilessly until she was broken.

With the win Osaka became Asia's first world number one and the first player of any nation to win her first two Grand Slam titles back-to-back since Jennifer Capriati in 2001.

On the strength of Saturday's final, more major silverware may be just around the corner.

Osaka spoke of a tournament where she had found the ability to win on "will power alone", a quality regularly attributed to Williams throughout her career of 23 Grand Slam titles.

"For me, I feel like it hasn't really sunk in. Maybe in the next tournament I play, if I see the number one next to my name, I'll feel something," she said.

"But for now, I'm more happy that I won this trophy."

REUTERS



Naomi Osaka

## Novak Djokovic routs Nadal for record seventh Australian title

MELBOURNE

NOVAK Djokovic claimed a record seventh Australian Open crown yesterday as he demolished Rafa Nadal 6-3 6-2 6-3 in his most dominant Grand Slam win in his long rivalry with the Spaniard.

The peerless Serb broke Nadal five times at a stunned Rod Laver Arena while conceding only a single break point to clinch his 15th Grand Slam title and third in succession after winning Wimbledon and the U.S. Open.

The pair's 53rd Tour clash and eighth in a major final was not the marathon battle it was expected to be, as top seed Djokovic bulldozed through the first two sets with machine-like precision and wrapped up the match in just over two hours.

Sealing the win on the second championship point when a desperate Nadal fired a backhand long, Djokovic kneeled on the blue hard-court and shook his fists at the sky, letting out a roar of triumph.

"I am just trying to contemplate on the journey in the last 12 months," Djokovic said beaming at the trophy ceremony.

"Like Rafa, I had surgery exactly 12 months ago, and to be standing now here in front of you today and managing to win this title and managing to win three out of four slams is amazing. I am speechless."

Having moved past Roger Federer and Roy Emerson's six titles to take sole ownership of the record, Djokovic took back his mantle as master of Melbourne Park.

On the strength of his annihilation of Nadal, a 17-times Grand Slam champion who had entered the final in outrageous form, Djokovic's Australian haul appears set to grow in coming years.

Blitzed from the start, Nadal could only congratulate an opponent that condemned him to his worst Grand Slam defeat in their long rivalry.

"It has been very emotional two weeks. Even if tonight was not my best, I had somebody that played



Novak Djokovic

much better," said the 32-year-old.

"I am going to keep fighting hard, going to keep working hard to be a better player every time, for the good things in life."

TOTAL DOMINANCE

It was a greater humbling than even the quarter-finals of the 2015 French Open, when Djokovic thrashed Nadal 7-5 6-3 6-1 to end the Spaniard's six-year winning streak at his favourite claycourt tournament.

A centre court crowd that remembered the titanic 2012 decider, when Djokovic beat Nadal in a record five hours and 53 minutes, was quickly subdued by the Serb's total dominance.

Nadal was broken in his first service game as he fired wild and wide when presented with an open court.

It was clear not everything was right with the Spaniard when at 4-2, he swung a forehand and

completely missed the ball.

Eight games in, Djokovic had yet to lose a point on serve.

He finally conceded one when serving for the set at 5-3 but it was the only point he gave up before closing it out when Nadal found the net.

Nadal's remodelled serve was quickly under siege, and he punched his racket strings in frustration after giving up two break points in the fourth game.

The crafty Serb floated a drop-shot over and Nadal's scrambling retrieval clipped the net cord to give Djokovic ample time to swoop in and collect it.

The Serb threw a fiery glance at his players' box after breaking to 5-2 and fired two aces to take a two-set lead.

All business, he then marched back to his seat in silence, without so much as a quiet fist-pump.

Nadal battled on but every piece of magic he produced was

outdone by the Serbian sorcerer.

He scrambled in to feather a delicate, sliced drop-shot over the net, raising premature cheers from the crowd as Djokovic swooped on it and sent an even cleverer drop-shot cross-court.

After further baseline punishment, he broke Nadal for the fourth time, pulling him around like a puppet-master before tripping him up with an irretrievable drop-shot.

Nadal finally prised a break point in the fifth game of the third but it quickly disappeared in a maelstrom of power hitting.

Djokovic knuckled down to complete an astonishing rout. Firing a forehand down the line to bring up two championship points, he converted the second to take back the Melbourne throne amid a thunderous chorus of Serbian cheers.

REUTERS



Traditional dance group's artistes put their skills to show during the Chinese New Year celebrations in Dar es Salaam over the weekend. PHOTO: MIRAJI MSALA

## Judge OKs new Harvey Weinstein lawyers who once represented accuser

NEW YORK

A NEW York state judge on Friday approved Harvey Weinstein's overhaul of his legal team to defend him against criminal sexual assault charges, though two of his new lawyers represented one of the disgraced Hollywood mogul's most vocal accusers, actress Rose McGowan.

At a Manhattan court hearing, Weinstein told Judge James Burke he accepted the potential conflicts of interest that Jose Baez and Ronald Sullivan might have from recently representing McGowan in a Virginia drug possession case, where she pleaded no contest.

The judge said McGowan had accused Weinstein of having cocaine planted in her wallet, and his new lawyers might have email evidence where he supposedly

wrote about it.

"He was commenting on the absurdity of the allegations," Weinstein's former lawyer Benjamin Brafman told Burke, referring to Weinstein and the alleged email evidence.

But the judge cautioned Weinstein his new lawyers "might not cross-examine Ms. McGowan as vigorously as they might otherwise" if she testified at his trial, which is not expected. Weinstein said he understood.

Prosecutors accuse Weinstein, 66, of forcibly performing oral sex on a woman in 2006 and raping another woman in 2013.

Weinstein has pleaded not guilty to five criminal charges, and could face life in prison if convicted.

"He is innocent," Baez told reporters after the hearing. "He should be entitled to the same

presumption as anyone else."

More than 70 women have accused Weinstein of sexual misconduct. He has denied all accusations and said any contact was consensual.

Weinstein's case helped launch the #MeToo movement, in which dozens of powerful men in entertainment, politics and other fields were accused of sexual misconduct.

On Jan. 7, a not guilty plea was entered in a Massachusetts court on behalf of Oscar-winning actor Kevin Spacey to sexually assaulting an 18-year-old man in 2016.

Baez previously represented Casey Anthony, the Florida mother found not guilty in 2011 of murdering her 2-year-old daughter Caylee.

He worked with Sullivan, a Harvard Law School professor,

when they won a 2017 acquittal for former New England Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez at his double murder trial. Hernandez later committed suicide.

Another new Weinstein lawyer is Pamela Mackey, who represented former basketball star Kobe Bryant when he was accused of raping a woman in 2003. Bryant called the encounter consensual. The case was eventually dropped.

His other new lawyer is Duncan Levin, a former top deputy to Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance.

Weinstein's trial is scheduled for early May. The next hearing is on March 8. Baez, Sullivan and Levin attended Friday's hearing.

"Welcome aboard," Burke told them.

REUTERS

## Captain struggles to explain root cause of 381-run England defeat

BARBADOS

ENGLAND captain Joe Root struggled to explain his team's 381-run defeat by West Indies in the first test in Barbados on Saturday, suggesting the result was an aberration that did not reflect the true quality of his team.

"We've still got two very important games in this series and it's crucial we bounce back very quickly, very strong, which we're more than capable of doing," Root said in an on-field interview.

"We've been in this position before and we've shown great character and application in managing to turn things around and hopefully we can manage to do that again this time.

"All the guys are hurting and

will be desperate to put it right in Antigua."

England will not have to wait long for a chance of revenge, with the second test starting at North Sound on the island of Antigua on Thursday.

Root refused to be second-guessed over team selection. The visitors omitted proven pace bowler Stuart Broad, instead going with two spinners, as leggie Adil Rashid joined off-spinner Moeen Ali in the line-up.

But Rashid, who did not take a wicket, was ineffectual, while 20-year-old medium-fast Sam Curran picked up only one wicket on a Kensington Oval pitch that was hard to read.

The home team, meanwhile, went with a four-pronged pace attack and no specialist slow bowler.

That was hardly noticed in the first innings when the quicks, led by Kemar Roach with five wickets, dismissed England for 77.

But scalps were harder to come by in the second innings and West Indies were fortunate to be bailed out by part-time off-spinner Roston Chase, who etched his name in the record books by taking eight wickets for 60.

"After a test match it's very easy to make selections, once you've seen exactly how the surface is going to play," Root said.

"If you look at the way the game panned out over four days, no-one would have seen the pattern of play as it unfolded.

REUTERS

## Messi absence in Copa loss justified - Valverde

BARCELONA, SPAIN

ERNESTO Valverde has said he rested Lionel Messi for the good of the team after restoring the forward to Barcelona's squad for Sunday's Catalan derby against Girona.

Messi, 31, didn't even travel to Sevilla in midweek as Barca were beaten 2-0 at the Sanchez Pizjuan in their Copa del Rey quarterfinal first leg.

The Argentine's absence was even more surprising given he had only played the final 30 minutes of last week's La Liga win over Leganes at Camp Nou.

"It was a decision based on the coach's criteria, who is the person who knows his players best," Valverde said in a news conference on Saturday when asked why he had not started top scorer Messi in either of the last two matches. "I have to make those decisions."

"No one else has the data I have on my players. I do what is best for the player, for the team and for the club."

Along with Messi, who has scored 25 goals in 24 appearances this season, Malcom and Kevin Prince Boateng keep their places in the squad despite failing to gel against Sevilla in attack.

Malcom was taken off in the second half after missing an open goal. Barca are open to offers for the Brazilian between now and the end of January but while he remains at the club, Valverde challenged him to earn a regular spot

in the team.

"We want him to have that continuity [of playing regularly] and to be a player that intimidates the opposition in the final third," he said. "There are other players playing [in his position] but when he does play he has to try and win his place in the team so that it can't be taken away from him."

January signing Boateng, meanwhile, could make his league debut at Montilivi, although he's likely to begin the game on the bench. The on-loan forward started against Sevilla despite having trained just once with his new teammates.

"I recognise it was a difficult situation for him as he's just got here, but I thought it was the best decision I could make for the team," Valverde said.

The Barca boss also defended his decision not to speak to Ajax midfielder Frenkie de Jong, who will join the club for €75 million in the summer, despite the fact Paris Saint-Germain coach Thomas Tuchel and Manchester City's Pep Guardiola did speak to the Dutch international to try to sway his final decision.

"First of all, you can't speak with a player who has a contract with another club," Valverde said. "It's not in my code [to do so]."

"I won't do it. If a player decides [to make that public], that's up to him. I have nothing to say on it. The club have acted in a matter which I respect."

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## Bale has no first team guarantees - Solari

MADRID

REAL Madrid boss Santiago Solari has said there are no guarantees Gareth Bale will automatically return to the starting line-up once he regains his fitness.

Bale has missed Madrid's last six matches with a calf muscle injury, but returned to full training in recent days and is in line to feature in Sunday's La Liga game at Espanyol.

Madrid broke the world transfer record to sign Bale in 2013, and he has since been part of a side which won the Champions League on four occasions as well as La Liga in 2017 - however, Solari said he will not make any decisions based on past achievements.

"Football is always about the next game," Solari said, when asked directly if Bale would get straight back in the team. "We will see who plays tomorrow, then the following week."

"The players who are recovering, we want them at 100 percent as soon as possible. Gareth is a very important player for us, a fantastic player, we are very happy to have him coming back."

Bale's absence has led to more game

time for summer arrival Vinicius Junior and, following Thursday's 4-2 victory over Girona in the Copa del Rey, the Brazilian has now been involved in eight goals in the competition - more than any other player this season.

"Vinicius' adaptation has been very quick," Solari said. "He is still very young - 18 - coming to a new country, new language, new friends, another football culture."

"With the support of the squad, experienced players giving him advice and help, he is showing his talent in each game. We must keep taking care of him so his improvement continues."

The recent injury crisis at Madrid appears to be clearing up with winger Marco Asensio close to a return after six weeks out with a hamstring problem, while midfielders Toni Kroos and Marcos Llorente made their comebacks off the bench against Girona in midweek.

Goalkeeper Keylor Navas (adductor), centre-back Jesus Vallejo (thigh) and forward Mariano Diaz (back) remain sidelined.

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## AFC Wimbledon topple West Ham in FA Cup, Millwall beat Everton

LONDON

AFC Wimbledon proved that the spirit of one of the FA Cup's craziest stories lives on by toppling Premier League West Ham United 4-2 in a sizzling fourth-round duel on Saturday.

Second-tier Millwall dispatched top-flight Everton 3-2 at the New Den and third-tier Shrewsbury Town were denied the scalp of Premier League Wolverhampton Wanderers in stoppage time.

Manchester City continued their pursuit of silverware on four fronts by hammering Burnley 5-0 to take their goal tally this year to 30 in seven matches in all competitions.

Pep Guardiola's side were upstaged as AFC Wimbledon, bottom of England's third-tier League One and 58 rungs below West Ham on the English football ladder, reminded a television audience of what makes the FA Cup so intoxicating.

West Ham made six changes from the side that played in their last Premier League match but still had players such as Andy Carroll, Javier Hernandez and Mark Noble on the pitch.

They were swept aside, though, as Kwesi Appiah put AFC Wimbledon ahead and Scott Wagstaff's sublime double either side of half-time took them 3-0 up against Manuel Pellegrini's

team.

Spaniard Lucas Perez pulled one back for West Ham and when Brazilian substitute Felipe Anderson curled in a free kick with 20 minutes left it seemed the hosts might crumble.

But substitute Toby Sibbick headed past Adrian in the 88th minute to send AFC Wimbledon into the fifth round for the first time since the club was formed by disgruntled fans of the original, so-called Wimbledon Crazy Gang in 2002.

Manager Wally Downes, part of the Wimbledon team that beat a pedigree Liverpool side in the 1988 final before the club controversially uprooted to Milton Keynes in 2002 and became MK Dons, said the result proved anything could happen in football.

"I don't know if it was a plan, winning was the plan, not the 4-2," he said. "Football is random. There is a load of analysis we do, me included, but on any given day, any team can beat any other team and we have done it tonight."

"Three-nil up and hanging on for grim death," added Downes, who was seated next to another member of the Crazy Gang, Hollywood hardman Vinnie Jones who was working as a television pundit.

CONTROVERSIAL WIN FOR MILLWALL

# The Monaco meltdown: Why Henry was fired

MONACO

THIERRY Henry surely didn't realise at the time what a negative impact one decision would have on his tenure as Monaco manager. But on Dec. 11, on the eve of his team's Champions League match against Borussia Dortmund, he went too far.

That day, Henry humiliated his 20-year-old goalkeeper, Loic Badiashile, for not properly pushing his chair back under the desk at the end of their pre-match joint press conference. Henry was probably just trying to show his authority, while being a bit pedantic as well. Some people applauded his action, highlighting that it was his way to get respect. But at Monaco, it didn't go down well at all. It's not the way a manager, let alone a huge name like Henry, should treat a player in public or in private. Badiashile did nothing wrong. He had tucked his chair under the desk. Clearly not enough for his manager, but still, why shame him publicly like that?

This one incident sums up perfectly Henry's 104 days in charge of Monaco, which came to an end on Thursday. It never really worked between him and his players in the dressing room, though his dismissal is not only about player power.

Most of the squad didn't want Leonardo Jardim to leave. Despite their bad results of the start of the season - they won once in Ligue 1 on Aug. 11 and didn't win again before Jardim was sacked on Oct. 11 - they still believed they could turn things around with him. They were still behind him.

In contrast, they never fully were behind Henry. The disconnect was mostly down to his attitude, as seen in the incident with Badiashile. Henry still behaves like a player and, according to someone close to the squad, it felt too much like he was still "one of the boys." The Frenchman, 41, who had never managed a first team before, never carried himself like a manager. His body language, some of his reactions and his methods gave away the fact that he wasn't ready for a significant rescue job like this one.



Henry Thierry

When Henry arrived, Monaco were 19th in the table. Twelve league matches later, they are still 19th after picking up just two wins, but the club stood by him. They promised to back him up in January, which they did. He wanted Cesc Fabregas and he got him. For a 31-year-old who had only started one Premier League match all season, IASM went the extra mile: a huge signing-on fee, €6 million net salary per year and the assurance that he will start all the time. Naldo, 36, arrived from Schalke 04 and Fode Ballo-Toure, the young left-back, from Lille.

So, despite the tensions with the players, his attitude, the bad results and the pair of humiliations last week - against Strasbourg in the league (5-1) and, more importantly, on Tuesday against Ligue 2 club Metz in the French Cup (3-1), both at home - the club was ready to give Henry a bit more time.

On Thursday morning, his job was still safe, but he lost a lot of club goodwill during the Strasbourg match when

he insulted Kenny Lala, the opposing right-back. He tried to justify himself and expressed remorse after the match, but the damage was done. In Monaco, the image of the club and the Principality is everything and Henry's actions drew too much negative attention.

Nevertheless, he was still in charge on Thursday when he oversaw the training session (his last one) and held the press conference that would end up being his last one as well. The final straw reportedly occurred when he decided to send some of the club's senior players to the reserve squad. He wanted hungry players and this act ultimately cost him his job. In his head at that moment, he was convinced that he would still be on the bench at the weekend.

Fundamentally, Monaco's problems are not all his fault. He inherited a team that was seriously low on confidence. The injury list is as significant as his trophy cabinet and their star players have not performed all season. But on Thursday afternoon, the players complained

about Henry.

The majority of Monaco's squad reportedly wanted Jardim back and were still loyal to their former manager. They would voice their concerns over the poor standards of Henry's training sessions and his tactical struggles. There were too many problems, too much tension. The club had no other option than to get rid of him or, as they chose instead, to suspend him first, barely 48 hours before the biggest game of the season so far.

Dijon are 18th in the table, just two points above Monaco and with a game in hand. This is the game that could define their season. Henry promised it would be war but he won't be there to see it. Instead, if Monaco go down just two seasons after winning the league in flamboyant fashion, Henry will take some of the blame.

On paper, it was a seductive idea to appoint Henry as Jardim's replacement. It was, after all, at Monaco that everything started for "Titi" in football. The prodigal son was back. The club wanted a big name: they could have gone for Marcelo Gallardo, who also played at Louis II, or Antonio Conte, two proven managers. Instead, they picked the biggest name of the three but also the most risky choice and the most inexperienced candidate. It was a mistake to name him. Henry thought he could do a great job there, but underestimated the task and was clearly not ready for it. The same happened to Gary Neville at Valencia three seasons ago.

For someone who cares so much about his own image, the whole thing has been a disaster for Henry. As for Monaco, it looks really bad as well. Since they took charge of the club in 2010, owner Dimitri Rybolovlev and vice president Vadim Vasilyev had made few mistakes. But this misstep is big, and potentially very costly. It will certainly be financially: Three months after sacking Leonardo Jardim with an €8m severance payment, they have reappointed him and now must pay off his successor-predecessor with a hefty sum as well.

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## How Solskjaer handles adversity could determine Man United fate

LONDON

SO far, so flawless, for Ole Gunnar Solskjaer as Manchester United's caretaker manager. Friday's FA Cup fourth-round victory at Arsenal extended his winning record to eight out of eight and, still, his team has yet to even fall behind in a game under the Norwegian.

In terms of a job audition, there really is little more that Solskjaer can do to persuade United's owners, the Glazer family, and executive vice-chairman Ed Woodward to hand him the manager's position on a permanent basis at the end of the season.

Ultimately, a trophy would help, and United are now into the fifth round of the cup after this 3-1 win, while a top-four finish in the Premier League - thereby securing Champions League qualification - would also be a big tick in the box for Solskjaer. But right now, he is answering every question posed of him, and nothing has halted his stride.

Solskjaer has quickly drawn a line under the Jose Mourinho era; he has United winning again, has put a smile back on the players' faces and has generally lifted the mood of everyone connected to the club. In just over a month since Mourinho was sacked, the likes of Paul Pogba, Marcus Rashford, Anthony Martial and Victor Lindelof have been transformed from underperforming, confidence-shorn players into men at the top of their game.

Even Alexis Sanchez, in the fast lane to becoming an expensive flop under Mourinho, has found some form, with the Chilean scoring the opening goal against his former club on his first return to the Emirates since he left for United 12 months ago.

But football is not without its ups and downs, and Solskjaer knows that the feelgood factor will be - has to be - tested at some point in the coming weeks and months. And though he is currently putting together the perfect job application, the 45-year-old admits that, sooner or later, he and his players will have to deal with adversity and negativity.

"That will be a new experience for us, which will be great," Solskjaer said after the win at the Emirates. "It will happen and we'll learn from it, that's the thing.



Ole Gunnar Solskjaer

"I'm getting to know these players, I'm learning how they react, but that'll be a new experience and you might just sit back and see how we handle it."

Momentum can only take a team so far. It is only when momentum fades that the true strengths and weaknesses of a team and a coach come to the fore.

Maurizio Sarri started the season with an 18-game unbeaten run as Chelsea's new manager, but the Italian has found it more difficult to keep the good times rolling since suffering his first defeat against Tottenham in November.

Arsenal's Unai Emery, having lost his first two games in charge against Manchester City and Chelsea, oversaw an 11-game winning streak, which extended to a 22-game unbeaten run, before the wheels fell off with a defeat at Southampton in December. That defeat at St Mary's sparked a run of five defeats in 10 games, including this FA Cup loss against United, so Arsenal and Emery are also discovering that football teams need more than momentum to keep the positive results coming.

Solskjaer has shown that United's run

is about more than just momentum. Tactically, he has masterminded away wins at Spurs in the Premier League and Arsenal in the FA Cup, with an admission that the team has "worked on the structure" since it relied on goalkeeper David De Gea to keep Spurs at bay at Wembley recently. He is getting it right on the training ground as well as on matchdays, but if he is to become Mourinho's permanent successor, Solskjaer will likely have to find a way to solve a problem between now and the end of the season.

That problem could come in the Champions League round-of-16 tie against Paris Saint-Germain, with Solskjaer needing to devise a game plan to stop Neymar, Kylian Mbappe and Edinson Cavani from tearing United's defence apart. He will have to meet the challenge of taking on Pep Guardiola and Jurgen Klopp in games against Manchester City and Liverpool, respectively, and at some point sooner or later, Solskjaer will have to get his team out of a hole when they fall behind.

But United's next three games come against Burnley, Leicester City and Fulham, so there is a strong possibility that they will face PSG on the back of an 11-game winning run. Maybe that is when the hard work will really begin, but in truth, Solskjaer has made it all look easy so far, and not even PSG will be worrying him right now.

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Gwiji by David Chikoko



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## JKT athletes hold sway in Mirerani Half Marathon

By Guardian Correspondent, Mirerani

FARAJA Damas, and Failuna Matanga, both from the National Service (JKT), have won the maiden Mirerani-Tanzanite Half Marathon that was held in Simanjoro District, Manyara yesterday.

Faraja clocked one hour and 14 seconds to beat the rest of the competitors in the men's category of the 21km the race to the top honour.

Hot on his heels was Michael Joseph from Singida who clocked one hour and 34 seconds, while Stephano Huche came third, posting one hour, one minute and 27 seconds.

Failuna registered one hour, nine minutes and 36 seconds to win the women's category of the race, whereas Angelina Daniel took the second position with one hour, 14 minutes and 20 seconds. The third position was won by Rosalia Fabiano from JKT.

Deputy Minister for Information, Culture, Arts and Sports, Juliana Shonza, who was the guest of honour, lauded the organizers for smooth hosting of the race despite being the first time for such a race to take place in the scorching hot Mirerani Hills.

"Usually the inaugural event proves to be hard, cumbersome and sometimes the event fails, but for the Maiden Mirerani-Tanzanite Half Marathon, this is a runaway success," she said.

She insisted that the race should continue to reflect what President John Magufuli is currently doing, namely safeguarding the country's mineral resources.

Mirerani Half Marathon's chief organizer, Charles Mnyalu, said the event aims at promoting the rare blue Tanzanite Gemstones internationally and that for starters the race has attracted four runners from Kenya.

He disclosed the Kenya athletes though failed to participate in the race as they did not process permits early on.

Winners of the Mirerani-Tanzanite Half Marathon were presented with cash prizes as well as medals. Young athletes who participated in the children category of the race got school equipment.

By Guardian Reporter

**K**ENYA'S Kariobangi Sharks have won the 2019 SportPesa Cup tournament with a hard fought 1-0 win over compatriots, Bandari, in a pulsating final at the National Stadium in Dar es Salaam yesterday.

Striker Harrison Mwendwa notched the all-important goal for Kariobangi Sharks on the 60th minute, as he beat Bandari's keeper Farukh Wakhiso with a left foot shot from inside the box after the striker was released by team mate.

Kariobangi Sharks, thus, received US dollars 30, 000 for laying their hands on the silverware, whereas Bandari were presented with US dollars 10, 000 for taking the second spot.

Kariobangi Sharks have also got an opportunity to host English Premier League gi-



Simba midfielder, Hassan Dilunga (R), shields the ball from Mbao FC left fullback, Amos Charles, during the third-place play off of the 2019 SportPesa Cup tournament, which was held at the National Stadium in Dar es Salaam yesterday. PHOTO: COURTESY OF TFF

ants, Everton FC, in an international friendly match in Kenya later this year.

Simba of Tanzania took the third position in the tournament, posting a 5-3 win over compatriots Mbao FC in the penalty shootouts of the third-place play off that took place earlier.

The penalty shootouts had to take place, given the regular time ended with the two teams locked to a barren draw.

Okwi, Nicholas Gyan, Paschal Wawa, Deogratius Munishi and Clatous Chama scored the penalties for Simba.

Said Hamisi, Babilas Chitem-

be and Vincent Mayomba netted their spot kicks for Mbao FC whereas Rajesh Kotecha failed to convert his spot kick. Simba received US dollars 7, 500 as a cash prize set aside for an outfit that finished third.

In the third-place match, Simba went close after the kick off, when forward Sadney Urikhob saw his right foot effort from outside Mbao FC area go off target.

Urikhob wasted another good opportunity on the seventh minute as his effort from inside the opponents' area went agonizingly wide.

Mbao FC had a meaningful

chance on the 10th minute, as the side's fullback Vincent Mayomba floated in a good cross from the right side, only to see fellow striker Raphael Siyame fail to slot the ball home.

Ngalema threw overboard an opportunity few minutes later in which he failed to connect home a cross floated in from outside Simba's area.

Simba kept on pushing for the opener and went close on the 25th minute, in which a header by Urikhob from within Mbao FC area, off a centre by right fullback Zana Coulibaly, went inches over.

Mbao FC keeper Metacha

Mnata had to make a timely save on the 28th minute to keep Simba at bay, in which he cleared a careless back pass by defender David Mwasa inside the box.

Mbao FC grew in confidence during the latter stages of the stanza, in which they made good runs into Simba's area in pursuit of a goal but the latter's defense stood firm and frustrate the former's attacks.

Simba defender, Lamine Moro, made a timely block to frustrate Mbao FC forward Said Hamisi that had a made a good run from 20 meters and attempted to unleash a shot outside the area on the 40th minute.

The opening stanza ended with neither side having found the back of the net.

Simba fluffed a glorious opportunity on the 47th minute in which second half substitute, Emmanuel Okwi, set up Urikhob within Mbao FC area but the latter could only blast over.

Mbao FC survived a scare on the 55th minute in which a right foot volley by Okwi from within the former's penalty area came off the right post.

The Mwanza side put Simba defense under pressure two minutes later as a fierce shot by Gervas Bernard from the edge of the area was saved by keeper Deogratius Munishi.

Mbao FC will live to remember a good opportunity that went their way shortly thereafter, as Hamisi was released within Simba's area, he though took time to attempt to get the better of the latter's defenders and was dispossessed.

Much as Simba made several forays into Mbao FC box during the closing stages of the match, the former failed to put the ball on the back of the latter's net.

## Tanzania ought to invest in acrobatics- call

By Correspondent Michael Sikapundwa, Morogoro

TANZANIA'S acrobatic group Limpopo African Acrobatics has appealed to Ministry of Information, Culture, Arts and Sports to promote the sport in an effort to help the country's youths that are involved in it achieve success.

The group's spokesman, Castigo Cuambe, issued the plea when he spoke to The Guardian in Morogoro last weekend.

"Since I got an opportunity to participate in acrobatics in South Africa in 1990s, my dreams came true given I found out acrobatics is profitable outside the country," he said.

Cuambe said the ministry and sports stakeholders have to avoid neglecting such a sport like acrobatics.

He noted that most of the country's youths that are involved in the sport elsewhere left the country without any support from either the government or other stakeholders.

He was adamant that it is time the country honoured the Father of the Nation, the late Mwalimu Julius Kambarage Nyerere, who introduce acrobatics in Tanzania through the country's cultural exchange with China.

"I congratulate the fourth and fifth phases' governments for supporting sports the way Mwalimu did, we are witnessing construction of modern venues, the senior national soccer team also received financial support from President John Pombe Magufuli recently," he disclosed.

He said given acrobatics is hardly enjoy-



Limpopo African Acrobatics group members perform at Nashera Hotels in Morogoro recently. PHOTO: MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA

ing promotion in Tanzania, youths that are involved in the sport opted to look for

opportunities to work in Spain and Portugal.

"Fortunately in 2016 and 2017 six boys entered contract to perform in some of the best hotels in Portugal and Spain, the situation improved their living standards, given they bought plots in Tanzania," he said.

Cuambe congratulated the sport's instructor, Pharid Taratibu, noting the latter has nurtured plenty of acrobats in Tanzania.

"I have been taught several acrobatics skills including tumbling, pyramiding, balancing, hoops diving and fire juggling," he added.

He disclosed such an acrobatic skill like balancing is therapy to dangerous diseases because the skill helps body parts become active. Acrobatics, he said, also offers employment.

"Government has to invest in the sport with a view to tackling unemployment among youths, who are able bodied and can learn and take part in acrobatics," he noted.

He also expressed sincere regards to Morogoro's Nashera Hotels' general manager Benson Nabora for giving Limpopo African Acrobatics group chance to perform at the hotel.

"Acrobatics needs daily fitness, I thank every person that supported our performances in Morogoro, Nashera Hotels, for instance, offered us a greenish garden and a theater for performance," he disclosed. Limpopo African Acrobatics group, he noted, performs in Greece, Spain and Portugal.

## Flexibles by David Chikoko

