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Jane Goodall Institute puts up a museum

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

A global conservation organization, the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI) has started building a state of the art chimpanzee museum in Arusha city for promoting the conservation culture among the public.

The first-ever such museum in Africa is being built near the Cultural Heritage Centre along the Arusha-Babati highway—a few kilometres from Arusha central business district (CBD).

The museum is being built at the tune of 1bn/- and its construction is scheduled to end next year.

JGI is the working platform of the famous British primatologist and renowned environmental activist Dr Jane Goodall (pictured), who is also the widow of first phase Health Minister, the late Dr Derek Bryceson.

Speaking at the event to lay the foundation stone, Dr Goodall said that the construction of the museum aims at providing an opportunity to Tanzanians and tourists to visit and learn



The museum will not be staged only for researchers, scientists and students, but also for various clubs and groups inside and outside the country. It will act as a centre for other organizations to demonstrate their works in the conservation sector

more about chimps' lives and ecology at large, thus promoting the culture of conservation among the people.

"The museum will not be staged only for researchers, scientists and students, but also for various clubs and groups inside and outside the country. It will act as a centre for other organizations to demonstrate their works in the conservation sector," she elaborated.

Research conducted in the mountain ranges to the west of the country shows that chimps' traits resemble human beings by 90 percent "whilst its sleeping area is smarter than that of human beings."

For his part, the JGI co-chair James Lembeli

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Mwanza authorities impound 200 buckets of minerals over permits



Special Seats legislator Amina Mollel (CCM) has an audience with students of Arumeru District's Oldonyowas Secondary School yesterday. Teachers told the MP that 23 girls and 15 boys were absent for various reasons, including pregnancy. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

We are determined to end mineral smuggling as well as to control all types of crimes. We are going to arrest all the culprits involved in this scam.

By Guardian Reporter, Mwanza

AUTHORITIES in Mwanza region have impounded a consignment of more than 200 buckets of samples of minerals destined to a laboratory for testing.

Mwanza Regional Commissioner John Mongella told reporters yesterday that the minerals belonging to Geita Gold Mine were being transported by a Fuso lorry from Geita region when it was flagged by law enforcers in Sengerema District on Saturday morning.

Police search found 226 buckets of 883 pieces of various types of minerals that were being taken to the laboratory belonging to inspecting company Societe Generale de Surveillance (SGS) for testing but without permits to allow cross-regional movement of minerals, the RC said.

"I've ordered relevant authorities to thoroughly investigate the matter so that the legality or otherwise of the consignment can be established," Mongella said.

The RC stated: "For once, the resident minerals officer at GGM Gasper Kachege has maintained that permits are not required



I've ordered relevant authorities to thoroughly investigate the matter so that legality or otherwise of the consignment can be established

for minerals being transported within the country, something which is impossible."

This explanation provided by the minerals officer was not satisfactory because there ought to be some documents to authorize movement of precious metals from one region to another, he emphasized.

He further noted that he was consulting experts in the sector, including the office of the Commissioner for Minerals for advice "and if it is established that there were irregularities in the transportation of the minerals the law will take its course."

Asked by RC Mongella to explain why there were no documents to authorize transportation of the consignment, Kachege replied:

"The law does not stipulate clearly that permits be issued for consignments of minerals being transported within the country. Permits are required for minerals being transported outside the country."

Sengerema district police chief Bena Msoma said officers asked for documents authorizing the transportation of the consignment and were furnished by only one issued by the owner, namely GGM.

"We suspect that the consignment was being transported in violation of the law because no single document was issued by the government as the minerals officer gave us only a verbal explanation," Msoma said.

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Nine die as Lands SUV plunges into river

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

NINE people have been reported dead in yet another road crash after a government vehicle plunged into a river near Ifakara town in Kilombero district, Morogoro region.

According to authorities, the speeding SUV sank into River Kikwawila on Saturday evening, killing nine of its occupants and injuring three others.

The deceased were employees of the Land Tenure Support Programme (LTSP) under the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development.

Kilombero District Commissioner James Ihunyo linked the accident to speeding. He said the tragedy left three officers



Lands minister William Lukuvi

including the driver seriously injured. They were using a Toyota Land Cruiser

with registration number STK 9444, property of Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA).

DC Ihunyo said the officers were in Kilombero district to hand over traditional certificates of occupancy to the villagers. The documents are given to land owners under the LTSP programme implemented in three districts of Ulanga, Malinyi and Kilombero.

He said the three-year programme which includes surveying and provision of title deeds and proper management of land, is scheduled to be completed within this financial year.

The DC mentioned the deceased as Silvester Mwakalebela, Rubaya Mwakalebela,

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Stop travelling, Majaliwa tells DED

By Guardian Reporter, Siha

PRIME Minister Kassim Majaliwa yesterday cautioned Siha District Executive Director Valerian Juwal over failure to supervise collection of internal revenues, saying he was frequently travelling.

He expressed disappointment with the slow pace of revenue collection whereby the district has only collected 38 percent of its target for the financial year ending in June. Majaliwa ordered him to stop



There is no way you can be in Dodoma, Morogoro and Dar es Salaam. You must give chances to junior officials

travelling since the trips are less beneficial to the government. "There are no reasons as

to why you have failed to reach 50 percent collection of internal revenues. The District Commissioner, Onesmo Buswelu is also not happy with the performance of the DED's office," said Majaliwa when addressing civil servants from Siha district at Sanya Juu town.

He told the DED that he cannot be going to every meeting while there are other staff who qualify to attend such conferences.

"There is no way you can be in Dodoma, Morogoro and Dar es Salaam. You must give chances

to junior officials," said Majaliwa, urging civil servants to ensure a good working environment between government officials and councillors.

He said the government will not hesitate to take measures against inefficient officials, directing the DED to change his attitude or disciplinary measures will be taken against him.

"You cannot be travelling without seeking permission from

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the regional administrative secretary (DAS). You should stay in office and set up plans to boost revenue collections," he emphasized.

Majaliwa ordered the district to make sure 80 percent of the targeted internal revenues are collected by end of the fiscal year.

In his defense, Juwal said that revenue projections were set targeting agricultural sector sources, but farmers didn't harvest enough in the previous season due to bad weather.

The district also planned to collect more revenues from the land sector, but it wasn't successful due to a number of factors, he similarly noted.

Kilimanjaro Regional Commissioner, Dr Anna Mgwihira said the district faced serious challenges of land disputes. There are too many land conflicts including long lasting issues setting apart Arumeru district in Arusha and Siha district in Kilimanjaro.



Muhimbili National Hospital interventional radiologist Dr Erick Mbuguje (2nd-L) pictured at the Dar es Salaam-based referral facility at the weekend supervised by Dr Troy Koch from Utah University (US) and assisted by other radiologists while attending to a patient with a liver infection. Photo: Correspondent John Stephen

Mwanza police seize 200 buckets of minerals over permits

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Last month, police in collaboration with the Mwanza regional safety and security committee seized 323.6 kilograms of gold at the city's Kigongo Ferry on the shores of Lake Victoria. The gold was to be smuggled out of the country.

Mwanza Acting Regional Police Commander Advera Bulimba said the police have launched a manhunt for other suspected smugglers, noting that they need to eliminate the gold smuggling syndicate.

The arrested suspects whose number and names were withheld on investigative reasons were also found in possession of some 300m/, which was hidden in the boot of a car.

"We are determined to end minerals smuggling as part of a drive to control all types of crime. We are going to arrest all the culprits involved in this racket," she said at a news conference.

She appealed to Mwanza residents to collaborate with the police in the hunt for other suspects.

RC Mongella (pictured) said the gold smuggling ring was smashed after the police were tipped-off, noting that security has been enhanced to control minerals smuggling in the region.

In December 2017 police in Zanzibar arrested a prominent businessman as he reportedly attempted to smuggle out eight kilograms of gold.

In August 2017, police seized 14 kilograms of diamonds at the Julius Nyerere International Airport in the commercial capital, Dar es Salaam as they were about to be smuggled out.

The diamonds were valued at about 29.5 million U.S. dollars, it was stated at the time.



PM: We will abide by our promises

By Guardian Reporter

PRIME Minister Kassim Majaliwa has assured Tanzanians that promises made by President John Magufuli during election campaigns in 2015 will be implemented by 2020.

The PM said the fifth phase government is committed to serve Tanzanians in various sectors including health and education which will be

accessed in high quality.

He was speaking over the weekend when addressing public rally in Tarakea area of Rombo District as part of his official tour in Kilimanjaro Region.

Majaliwa urged the residents to continue support the government which had strategised to implement various promises by the President under the CCM manifesto (2015-

2020). The PM said every civil servant must work hard to enable the government take to the people development projects and programmes especially those in rural areas.

"If civil servants can do their duties well and effectively, the government will easily implement such projects as a lot of money had been injected into them," he said.

According to the PM, the govern-

ment is implementing the campaign aimed at bringing quality and cheap water, but safe and clean.

PM Majaliwa also visited Karume health centre at Usseri which now carries surgeries for expected mothers. President Magufuli came into power on 5th November 2015, during the period until todate, various developmental projects had been implemented which had earned

him praises from some analysts in Tanzania and beyond especially for implementing most of the election promises he made during the October 2015 general elections campaign.

But there are those who believe the President faces an uphill task to reform the nation's economy with new strategies in place while seeking to deliver promises made to Tanzanians.

Nine die as Lands SUV plunges into Moro river

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Salome Lukusi, Glory Mziray, Shaban Yusuph, Maria Buyenja, Msafiri Gerald, Hassan Kayuga and Sheila Shaban.

The injured are Faraja Gowele (30), Sauda Shaban (27), Stanislaus Budodi (27) and the driver, Baraka Charles who is held by the police for investigations.

Senior doctor at St Francis hospital, Francis Magoda confirmed to have received nine bodies of the deceased at around 6pm on Saturday. He said the injured persons are still admitted and that they are progressing well.

"Their conditions are not serious. They will be discharged in a few days," said Dr Magoda.

A victim, Faraja Gowele said: "We have been using the car for several days, it seemed to have no technical problems but all of a sudden we saw the driver losing control of the vehicle and it plunged into a river."

Stanislaus Budodi said the group had finished to offer the customary certificate of occupancy to the villagers at Kiberege when the accident occurred at Kikwawila when the driver lost control. "I struggled to save myself, I thank God I wasn't seriously injured despite being in the front seat," he narrated.

Morogoro Regional Police Commander Willbroad Mutafungwa promised to provide a detailed report of the accident after completion of investigations.

Meanwhile, Home Affairs Minister, Kangi Lugola and the Minister for Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development William Lukuvi have sent condolence messages to the families of the deceased.

Lugola said: "I have received with grief the news about the death of nine officials from the LSTP programme. My heartfelt condolence goes to the families of the deceased and Lands Minister, William Lukuvi."

Lukuvi said in a statement that the nation has lost quality manpower. He assured the public that the ministry was working to ensure all the deceased are transported and buried in their respective home regions.

Another road crash claimed the lives of nineteen people on Friday in Mbozi district, Songwe region.

Songwe Regional Police Commander George Kyando told reporters that the accident occurred at 9.30 pm on Thursday at Senjele village when a trailer truck loaded with cargo crashed on the passenger bus from behind, killing all 17 people on board on the spot. The bus was on its way from Tunduma town.

Recently, family members including a groom died and three others injured in a road crash at Makole village on the Segera-Chalzinze highway section in Coast region. The victims were coming from a wedding ceremony held at Mlalo in Lushoto district, Tanga region. The head-on collision involved a Noah van and a Toyota Hilux.

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encouraged the youth to utilize well the foundation's resources by embarking on environment researches to protect nature.

He called upon the government to support the museum to enhance its wider impact thus benefitting the present and future generations.

"Apart from this museum, JGI has issued at least 45bn/- to support various conservation projects across the country especially in natural forests,

chimpanzee habitats and better use of land," Lembeli told the gathering.

Antony Tonny, a researcher at JGI, said that Tanzania is estimated to having between 1, 700 and 2,300 chimpanzees. JGI works in over 30 countries across the globe.

Protecting chimpanzees and their habitats is the heart of JGI's mission. For several decades, JGI has invested in partnerships with local communities and governments to address conservation threats head-on

with innovative and holistic solutions driven by the latest innovations in behavioural science and technological tools.

When she entered Tanzania in 1960, the 86-aged primatologist, Dr Goodall commenced research activities in the forests of Gombe in Kigoma region. By that time, the world knew very little about chimpanzees, and even less about their unique genetic kinship to humans.

She took an unorthodox approach in her field research, immersing herself in chimps'

habitat and their lives to experience their complex society as a neighbor rather than a distant observer and coming to understand them not only as a species, but also as individuals with emotions and long-term bonds.

"Her field research at Gombe transformed our understanding of chimpanzees and redefined the relationship between humans and animals in ways that continue to reverberate around the world," the foundation co-chair underlined. Photo:



Zanzibar President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein cuts a ribbon to inaugurate Micheweni conference centre in Pemba yesterday. Photo: Zanzibar State House

Tanzania, FAO for stronger partnership to improve agriculture

By Guardian Reporter

THE government and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) have reiterated their commitment for a stronger partnership to improve the agriculture sector in the country.

Speaking over the weekend during a courtesy call to the Minister of Agriculture, Japhet Hasunga, the FAO Representative to Tanzania, Fred Kafeero, said that the UN Agency has been work-

ing with the Tanzania Government for many years now towards improving the agriculture sector in the country.

"Tanzania has been a member of FAO since 1962 and as a technical agency of the United Nations responsible for agriculture, we've been working together in a number of areas around agriculture including policy and legal framework, crop production, livestock, fisheries, natural resources and disaster

Kafeero said that the current partnership is guided by the 2017-2020

Country Programming Framework which sets out priority areas to guide FAO's support to the Government of Tanzania bringing together innovative international best practices and global standards with national and regional expertise. On his side Minister Hasunga appreciated FAO's support said that currently the Government was working on the establishment of the farmers' database that will enable it to know the numbers of farmers in the country and the different kinds of farming activities

they're engaging in for better planning and support. "It is good to note that FAO and other development partners are working with the National Bureau of Statistics in order to carry out national agriculture census for the country. The statistics are crucial as they will enable us to plan well," he said.

He also said that his Ministry is now working on strategies for encouraging the private sector and the donor community to support the implementation of the Agricultural Sector Development

Pogramme Phase II and that he would like to seek FAO's support in its advocacy role for increased investment in the agriculture sector.

"We also want to review the Agriculture Policy framework including developing tools for its implementation including the implementation strategy and legislation," minister Hasunga disclosed.

Furthermore, the Ministry of Agriculture is working with the Ministry of Finance to finalise the Crop Insurance

Policy that will protect farmers from risks associated with their farming activities.

The United Republic of Tanzania joined FAO in 1962, and in 1977 FAO established a country office. Over the years, FAO has been working closely with the Government of Tanzania by providing policy advice, credible, up-to-date information and technical expertise on agriculture, food security, nutrition and natural resource management.

Police seize 210 million/- worth of elephant tusks

By Correspondent Michael Sikapundwa,

Morogoro

POLICE in Morogoro yesterday arrested seven people allegedly in possession of nine pieces of elephant tusks worth more than 210m/-.

Morogoro Regional Police Commander, Wilbroad Mutafungwa told reporters here that the suspects were arrested during the operation carried out across the region.

He said that last week police managed to arrest two suspects in Morogoro Rural District after being found with two pieces of elephant tusks worth more than 36m/-.

"The pieces were hidden in a plastic bag," he said, adding that other five suspects were arrested in different parts of Ulanga District with seven pieces of elephant tusks worth more than 171m/-.

According to the regional police

chief, the tusks of elephants are believed to be the work of illegal poachers in the Selous Game Reserve which is a protected area in the southern Tanzania. It covers a total area of 50,000 km² and has additional buffer zones. It has been designated the UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1982 due to its wildlife diversity and undisturbed nature.

The arrest came few weeks when senior government official announced that there was significant success in the war against poaching with the number of elephants killed last year dropping to 23 from 194 in the preceding year.

Permanent Secretary in the ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism, Prof Adolph Mkenda, was recently quoted as saying that the decrease is due to enhanced anti-poaching activities involving multisectoral organs.

"In the entire period, some 211 elephant tusks and 413 pieces of the same

were seized by authorities together with 355 arms and 20,000 rounds of ammunitions," Prof Mkenda said.

He said information from conservation agencies indicated that there was increase in the number of wildlife in a number of parks and reserves including the Selous Game Reserve which has been devastated by poaching in recent years.

"There is tremendous increase in the number of animals in the Selous Game Reserve and the Ruaha National Park but we should not relent in the fight against poaching," he said.

Late last year, the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI), Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA) and Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) embarked on an aerial wildlife census within Selous-Mikumi ecosystem to establish the number of big game as well as poaching activities.



Igembesabo Co-operative Union manager Emmanuel Malunde speaks a cotton stakeholders meeting held in Shinyanga municipality at the weekend. It was called to discuss ways to strengthen co-operatives, chiefly through the improvement of cotton farming. Photo: Correspondent Marco Maduhu.

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ATCL inaugurates routes to Zambia and Zimbabwe

By Staff Reporter

AIR Tanzania Corporation Limited (ATCL) over the weekend launched routes to Zambia, and Zimbabwe with its Airbus A220-300, as part of the national airline's move to explore business opportunities in South African region.

The new route is expected to stimulate economy between the three countries and is to open up more business ventures as well as addressing air transport woes to passengers travelling within and outside the

region.

The air Tanzania's Airbus A220-300 took off at the Dar es Salaam's Julius Nyerere International Airport (JNIA) to the Robert Gabriel Mugabe International Airport in Harare, Zimbabwe and later landed at the Kenneth Kaunda International Airport in Lusaka, Zambia.

Passengers of the maiden flight commended fifth-phase Tanzania's government for investing heavily in the aviation sector.

One of the passengers and agro-dealer, Mahenye Muya said that the

ATCL new route will reduce costs on the side of the passengers, who have been spending lots of money due to lack of direct flight between the three nations.

"As businessman, I am happy to travel with ATCL to Zimbabwe," Muya said, lauding the government for the new drive to link Tanzania with other southern African countries.

Minister for Works, Transport and Communication, Isack Kamwelwe said that ATCL is determined to improve air transport by increasing the number of flights as well as reaching many African

countries and Asian nations.

For his part, Zimbabwean Minister for Environment and Tourism Prisca Mupfumira said that the resumption of ATCL transport services reinforces the bilateral relations between the two countries.

Acting Zambia's Minister of Transport and Communications, Kafwaya Mutotwe described the resumption of air services between Dar es Salaam and Lusaka as key in fostering socio-economic development between the two countries

He said the relationship and

cooperation between countries is very clear and can be exemplified by a strategic asset co-owned by our two countries—the TAZARA.

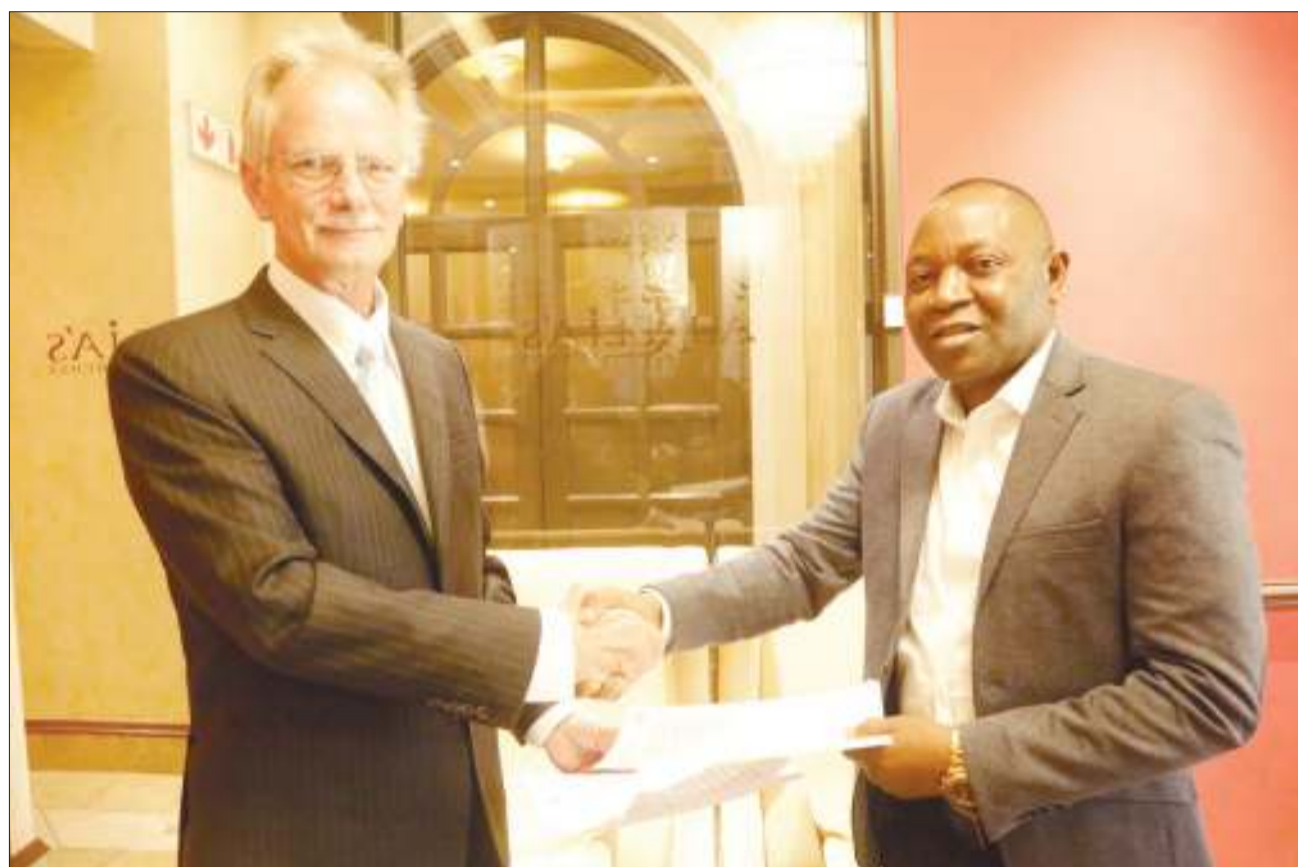
"The introduction of Air Tanzania flights to Lusaka will create the required connectivity into East Africa and in Tanzania in particular. For a long time now, our people have been complaining over lack of regular and scheduled direct air connectivity between the two countries. The lack of connectivity adds to the cost of travel and indeed the cost of doing business in the sub region and between two

countries."

He said the direct route into Dar es Salaam will therefore shorten travel times lower fares and ultimately lead to improved air connectivity and conveniently among the travelling public between Zambia and Tanzania.

"I hope direct route will further open up, business opportunities and promote tourism trade and foreign direct investments between Zambia and Tanzania."

The ATCL's Airbus A 220-300 will be travelling three times a week to the two countries—Zambia and Zimbabwe.



Kiluwa Group director Mohamed Kiluwa (R) and Marthinus Christiaan Landman, a representative of South Africa's Africa Jambo Group, exchange documents in Dar es Salaam at the weekend on the planned construction of a \$150 million factory for the manufacturing of standard gauge railway wagons. The factory, which is expected to employ over 900 people, will be built in the Kiluwa Free Processing Zone in Coast Region. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Tanzanian joins global research agency team

By Guardian Reporter

TANZANIAN Environmental Specialist Dr Richard Muyungi has been appointed committee member of an international research firm dealing with research programme on Forest Trees and Agro-forestry (FTA), dubbed Independent Steering Committee (ISC).

The ISC oversees at a strategic level the research programming, partnership engagement, delivery and effectiveness of research program on forests, trees and agro-forestry.

Dr. Muyungi is environmental advisor and he has worked in environment and climate change for more than 25 years.

He has focused on international environmental and climate policy and governance processes under

the UN, particularly the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in the areas of climate finance, capacity building, adaptation and mitigation.

He was the UNFCCC Chair of the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) between 2011 and 2013, responsible for overseeing the scientific dialogue and inputs to support the implementation of climate change adaptation and mitigation programs globally, including the translation of scientific information into policy actions at national level and enhancing the role of the forestry sector in addressing climate change through REDD+ (reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement

of forest carbon stocks in developing countries)

Muyungi also has extensive experience at the national level, and at the continental African level. Most recently he was appointed to manage environment and climate change at Tanzania's National Power and Energy Company.

He holds a degree in agriculture from Sokoine University of Agriculture, a postgraduate diploma in international relations from Reggio Calabria International Relations Institute, Italy, a Master's degree in environmental protection and management from the University of Edinburgh, UK, and a PhD in climate change from the University of Dar es Salaam.

The ISC consists of nine members. A majority of five members, including

the chair, are independent, appointed for a three-year term, renewable once. Three other members represent respectively the lead Centre, the CGIAR partners and the non-CGIAR partners. The FTA director participates ex-officio, with no voting rights.

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Wildlife stakeholders underscore need for further integration of natural resources laws

BY AISIA RWEYEMAMU

WILDLIFE stakeholders have suggested the need for the integration of natural resources laws and give communities more right and flexibility to explore more benefits from the resources without barriers.

The call was made in Dar es Salaam during the debate on challenges of managing natural resources with conflicting legislation: the case study of wildlife Act, organized by Tanzania Natural Resources Forum (TNRF) in partnership with policy forum.

Speaking at the event, Edward Lekaita from Ujamaa community resource team said there is a need for more cross sectoral natural resource management policy and governance.

He explained that conflict of laws and policies have created a serious hindrance to effective implementation of number of laws and more importantly the confusion created by those laws has created confusion in the aspects of benefits, rights, access, control and ownership of the resources to date.

Lekaita cited an example of land law, said that "land law are supreme when it comes to confusion between land and other laws on matters of land".

He explained that it is equally important to note that establishing a private forest reserve or community /village forest reserves does give a village rights to utilize wildlife in given areas.

He cited an example that establishment of Wildlife Management Area (WMA) does not give automatic rights to utilise forest.

Stakeholders have also called for annually national dialogue to enhancing learning and discussion between government, community, civil society organisations and private sector

on management of natural resources on regular basis, and build capacity on key institutions to be able to improve both management and governance natural resources.

The forum recommended that future strategies of conserving biodiversity in parks should focus as much on the social economic human dimension of biodiversity conservation as the scientific study of species and habitats in national parks.

Stakeholders have also called for the translation of the important policy, regulations and laws to allow community to easily follow and understand their rights

Babati Rural MP Vrajilal Jituson said that inclusion of local communities in laws enactment procedures would serve the natural resources.

He stressed that local communities should at the first hand benefit with natural resources available in their area, with relevant authorities, including Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) prioritising distribution of the collected funds to the surrounded people.

"It doesn't sound when local communities suffer from lack of social services while their areas are sources of income in various ways. These people are good conservationists of when involved. They can also be part of expanding tourism contribution to the national economy up to 40 or 50 per cent from the current 17 per cent," said the MP.

For his part, MP for Chambani in Pemba, Yusuf Hussein commented that, apart from involving local people in laws' review, they (laws) should also be put in mother language Kiswahili to make every Tanzanian understand.

The inclusion will also enable people to brainstorm and come up with good ideas on how to use the scarce available natural resources, including the land that has been decreasing following an increase in the population.



Architects and Quantity Surveyors Registration Board training officer Matondo Daniel addresses students of Dar es Salaam's Azania Secondary School at the weekend on the importance of studying science subjects. Photo: Correspondent Philemon Solomon

Shein challenges leaders to visit voters regularly

By Guardian Reporter

ZANIZBAR President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein has challenged leaders of the ruling party (CCM) at constituent levels to regularly visit voters and listen to their concerns and challenges.

He made the call yesterday during his meeting with CCM leaders in Wete District, Pemba Island.

The meeting which was held at Wete House of Representative hall, was also attended by government officials from Pemba Kaskazini Region.

Dr Shein was accompanied by his wife, Mwanamwema Shein.

He suggested that constituency leaders as well as those from the Special Seats should

thrive to find solutions to the many challenges that residents are facing. He said it is only through meeting them that leaders can know their problems and find solutions.

"We will no longer tolerate constituency leaders who do not care about their people. Being a leader means to work for the people", he said, adding leaders are likely to win voters confidence by being close to them and solve their problems.

Dr Shein said that being close to the people will facilitate smooth campaign and ensure victory of CCM candidates in the coming general elections next year.

He, however, noted that CCM will continue implementing development projects in both, Unguja and Pemba Islands.

He said the government will enhance provi-

sion of social services such as health and education.

He insisted that CCM had put it clear in its election manifesto that leaders must work to find solutions to the many challenges that Tanzanians are facing. He said the same was highlighted during the party's Central Committee in Dodoma.

The President called upon the leaders to identify some of the government executives who contribute into delayed implementation of some projects in Wete District.

He congratulated Wete District leaders for maintaining peace and tranquillity in the area, insisting the government is determined to ensure peace in the Isles. He also applauded the successful implementation of CCM election manifesto.



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Tanzanian and South African experts exchange expertise

By Guardian Reporter and Agencies

A Tanzanian delegation touring South Africa has stressed the role of political leadership in the AIDS response and noted the importance of matching policies and legislation to the responses to HIV and tuberculosis (TB).

Led by Oscar Rwegasira Mukasa, the Chair of the HIV and Narcotics Parliamentary Committee of the United Republic of Tanzania, the delegation included Tanzanian Members of Parliament and representatives of the Tan-

zania Commission for AIDS (TACAIDS). Mr Mukasa said political leaders have an important role to play in uniting efforts in the AIDS response and harnessing domestic resources "so that we can stand on our own feet," during the 13 to 15 February visit.

The United Republic of Tanzania will take over the Chair of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) in August and the parliamentarians indicated they would use that opportunity to engage SADC ministers of health in developing policies on HIV and TB in the region. We need to align policies and legislation with technical

programming for HIV and tuberculosis to ensure that we are in synch with the 90 90 90 strategy," Mr Mukasa said.

This was echoed in a meeting with Aaron Motsoaledi, Minister of Health of South Africa, who emphasized the regional nature of the epidemics of AIDS, TB and malaria and called on the United Republic of Tanzania to use its forthcoming leadership role in SADC to advance coordinated policies and actions. Mr Motsoaledi, who is Chair of the Stop TB Partnership board, reminded the delegates of the inextricable linkage between HIV and TB and noted that TB is the biggest cause of

death in South Africa and of people living with HIV.

The delegates explored a range of issues, including the multisectoral response in South Africa, legislation, sustainability and service delivery arrangements, including public, private and community service delivery. The study tour included field visits to a community health centre and a medicine-dispensing ATM.

In a meeting hosted by the South African National AIDS Council (SANAC), its Chief Executive Officer, Sandile Buthelezi, told the delegation that HIV is still very much a health emer-

gency. Noting the high burden of drug-resistant TB, he said that South Africa was adopting new treatment options. "South Africa has strong political leadership, yet still more needs to be done to reach our targets," he said. Mr Buthelezi stressed the importance of engaging civil society and working with government institutions and the private sector to coordinate efforts and ensure that the needs of people at higher risk of HIV infection and people living with HIV are reflected in HIV programmes. Mbulawa Mugabe, the UNAIDS Country Director in South Africa, noted the considerable success in

the region, but said there was a risk of complacency. "People are on HIV treatment for the rest of their lives and we need political commitment to invest domestic resources to sustain prevention and treatment efforts in the long term," he said.

Leonard Maboko, the Executive Director of TACAIDS, noted that the parliamentarians would use the results of their study trip to strengthen their national response, explore innovative service delivery models and advance a multisectoral approach. "Too often we talk among ourselves; we need to consult others on these issues," he said.



Agriculture minister Japhet Hasunga speaks at a meeting of the Tanzania Association of Microfinance Institutions held in Dar Salaam at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Stakeholders meet for improvement of business and investment climate

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

GOVERNMENT officials, members of the private sector and other stakeholders met here for two days to deliberate of the government roadmap for improvement of business and investment climate in Tanzania.

The Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF), presented before the permanent secretaries (ps), chief executive officers (CEOs) and other stakeholders the Comprehensive Action Plan (CAP) for improving businesses.

ESRF's Executive Director, Prof Ammon Mbele said that the CAP has incorporated the details and recommendations in the Blue Print and the Big Results Now. He noted that issues

of business environment have taken into account the theoretical and practical application of the action plan. "The only important way of moving forward towards improving business environment is the implementation of the action plan," he noted.

Prof Mbele noted that the plan prepared in collaboration with government ministries, departments and the private sector as well experts from ESRF under implementation of the office of the Prime Minister is geared towards ensuring better business environment.

He added that implementation of CAP will enable the country to reach the position of two digits in

the ease of doing business published by the World Bank every year, engaging 190 countries globally. "On the other hand, implementation of the plan will increase formalisation of businesses and help reduce the problem of informal businesses in the national economy," noted Prof Mbele, adding that all these are important in the economic growth as well as poverty reduction.

CAP is aimed at increasing success in service provision in public service to the private sector by reducing time and cost of doing business in the country.

According to the ESRF boss, comprehensive approach is needed as one the main intervention in im-

proving business environment in Tanzania.

Speaking while officiating the opening of the meeting, the Permanent Secretary of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Policy Coordination and Investment, Dorothy Mwaluko noted that the meeting offered opportunities for the participants to discuss the plan.

She called on those responsible for the implementation of the plan to debate it at length without any prejudice.

"There is a big problem of doing things to please others or trying to hide important fact among various stakeholders, but I challenge you to use this opportunity to comprehensively discuss the plan," she said.



TANZANIA REVENUE AUTHORITY

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON SMUGGLING ACTIVITIES

Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA) as a central Government revenue collector has the responsibility to inspect, collect, provide tax estimates, provide education to stakeholder and seal loopholes that leads to tax evasion. Smuggling has been identified as one of the Government tax avoidance area and In addition it has been identified as threat to consumers' health and national security. Importation of substandard and counterfeit goods through smuggling affects production of goods in domestic industries and a course for Non-equitable in business.

Tanzania Revenue Authority wish to caution and remind the business fraternity, owners of vessels and the public living on the coastal areas of the Indian Ocean, lakes and along the borders that the importation, exportation or carriage coastwise or transfer or removal into or out of Tanzania of goods with intent to defraud the customs revenue, or evade any prohibitions or restrictions on regulation or conditions as to such importation, exportation, carriage coastwise transfer or removal of any goods violates the East African Community, Customs Management Act, 2004 and therefore any person caught in smuggling activities will be subjected to heavy penalties, including forfeiture of the smuggled goods together with the means of conveyance (vehicle, vessel/dhow etc.) of such goods.

In view of the smuggling consequences to the nation, the Revenue Authority appeals to the general public for their cooperation with the Government in preventing, counteracting and disclosure of tax avoiders. The authorities also appeals to the public particularly those living in neighboring areas with dumb ports not to involve themselves with illegal trade and not to hesitate reporting to the Revenue Authority on any suspicious trade.

The Revenue Authority calls on all good citizens to provide information regarding smuggling activities through mobile phones number +255746232491 and +255746234081

Kenyan farmers' improvised drip irrigation system produces food, protects environment

NAIROBI

ON his quarter-acre farm in Athi River, an area to the south of Nairobi, Kenya's capital, Joseph Musyoka farms tomatoes that are currently fruiting.

He is hopeful that he will start harvesting the fruits from the 500 plants before the anticipated long rains season that is expected to start at the end of next month, and make good money.

A look at the crops shows that they are doing well, yet Musyoka does not water them using the popular drip irrigation system, which a number of Kenyan farmers are adopting.

The youthful farmer has improvised his own drip irrigation system comprising of small used plastic bottles filled with water.

The system has not only helped him avoid the high costs associated with drip irrigation system, but is also enabling him to grow food despite the erratic weather in the east African nation as well as protect the environment.

"I paid two garbage collectors to get me the bottles from the nearby Athi River town where they are usually dumped and become an eye sore or end up in River Athi that passes in this area."

"They brought me some 350 bottles of various sizes

after two weeks of collecting, and went for me in the neighboring towns like Kitengela and Mlolongo. I paid them 2 shillings (about 0.02 U.S. dollars) for each," he said on Saturday, noting he has close to 1,000 bottles.

Armed with the bottles, the farmer then planted his tomatoes inside the greenhouse after transferring them from a nursery.

"I then washed the bottles thoroughly and disinfected them to ensure they are free of any diseases. I, thereafter, made small holes on the caps of the bottles, filed them with water and inserted them in the soil near each plant," he explained.

The small holes made on the bottle caps release water slowly into the soil, penetrating to the roots of the plant making it thrive.

"I have been using the method over a year now and it is serving me well because my crops are flourishing especially during the dry season as it is now," he said.

Musyoka fills water in the bottles depending on the stage of growth the plant is at.

"If about a month-old, as that is when I transfer them from the nursery, I put in the bottle about 100 ml of water and refill after two or three days. If close to three months old when they are fruiting, I fill with 300 ml and refill after two days," he explained.

Though it is a tedious task, it is worth it, he said, adding that he refills after some days to avoid diseases like root rot which attacks the plants when the soil is too wet.

It costs at least 600 dol-

lars to install a drip irrigation system on quarter-acre farm, with the bulk of the money going to a water tank, including mounting it at a higher level, labour and the rest on the drip lines.

"Drip irrigation system is expensive because of its many costs. If you are far from the water source, you have to incur additional costs of pumping the water into the tank using most likely a petrol water pump, before it flows to the plants. This raises expenses," said Moses Andati, a farmer in western Kenya.

Andati is also using the improvised drip system to grow bananas and vegetables.

Beatrice Macharia, an agronomist with Agro-Point, a consultancy in Nairobi, noted that the innovative drip irrigation method is part of permaculture, which utilizes ecologically friendly farming methods.

"In this system, farmers are encouraged to use things that are readily available in their environment to grow food in a sustainable way," she said, noting however, a majority of those using it are in dry areas which receive little rainfall.

In Kenya, the bottling method is used on food crops and even on trees and flowers especially during the dry spell, according to Macharia.

Through the method, she noted Kenyan farmers are helping the country curb the plastic bottle menace that is choking east African nation's rivers and the environment by reusing the bottles and later disposing them in a better way.



Entrepreneurship training tackles youth unemployment

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

HUNDREDS of youths in Dodoma Region have benefitted from an entrepreneurship training programme aimed at equipping them with life skills and business basics.

The programme implemented by the Tanzania Entrepreneurship Competitive Centre (TECC) in partnership with the US based International Youth Foundation (IYF) under sponsorship of MasterCard aims at fighting poverty among young people through self employment.

Speaking at the weekend during

another round of training in Dodoma, TECC training manager, Annah Manoti noted that the meeting is aimed at preparing youths to join the sixth phase of nationwide training schedule for April this year.

"Hundreds of young people from Dodoma Region are among the 894 youths from Mtwara, Coast and Dodoma regions reached so far in the life skills and business training programme," she said.

She said the programme target a total of 1,250 at the end, noting that as in its sixth phase, at least some 180 will be reached. They are youth within the age group of 18 to 24 years old targeted by the program.

The training manager added that through the program, TECC is training youth on how to run businesses, keep records, lead far-sighted lives and project writing in order to access loans from financial institutions.

She urged those who attended the training to be serious and put to practice what they have learnt in theory for them to become self-employed.

One of the participants in the training, Consensa Mushi noted that the training has helped her become a better entrepreneur than she was before, adding that she used to incur several losses in business, mainly

due to lack of knowledge.

"The training has been of great help to me because I now know the basics of doing business and how to spend profit wisely for expansion of business" she said.

Dotto Mahinga, the patron of small youth entrepreneurs in Dodoma City said the training will help many youth in the region at large to refrain dependency and start self-employment projects.

Tanzania officially launched the training, Consensa Mushi noted that the training has helped her become a better entrepreneur than she was before, adding that she used to incur several losses in business, mainly (SMEs) in the country.



Loliondo Community Radio journalist Mako Kibaki (L) interviews Maasai elder Ikayo Ndoinyo at Ololosokwan in Ngorongoro District at the weekend for views on female genital mutilation, a practice still widespread among the Maasai - with the media playing a key role in discouraging it. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Nile Basin Initiative countries mark 20 years of cooperation

BY GUARDIAN REPORTER

OVER 30,000 people have been trained by Nile Basin Initiative to improve the region's ability to manage the Basin and 10,000 knowledge products have been created.

This was revealed over the weekend in Kigali, Rwanda at the function to mark Regional Nile Day 2019 and celebrate 20 years of cooperation and partnership through the NBI - an intergovernmental partnership of Burundi, DR Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda with Eritrea also participating as an observer.

Themed "NBI at 20: Stronger Together", the event was an opportunity for Member States and friends of the Nile to reflect on the progress made over the last two decades to advance sustainable management of the shared Nile Basin water resources. Since the Nile Basin Initiative was established in 1999, investments worth US \$6.5 billion have been prepared and facilitated thanks to collaborative efforts between Member States, development partners and private enterprise.

derpinned by the development of numerous strategies that have advanced Member States' shared goals.

Speaking at the celebration event, Rwanda's Minister of Environment and guest of honour, Dr. Vincent Biruta, commended countries for their efforts to collaborate across borders.

"The success of the Nile Basin Initiative over the last two decades is thanks to the investments we have made as Member States, and the contributions of many others we are proud to call partners. I encourage Member States and the Nile Basin Initiative to adopt an integrated water resources management approach that prioritises both water management and landscape restoration. By taking a holistic approach to catchment management, we can improve both the health of our waterways and the land we rely upon so heavily," he said.

In his last official engagement as Executive Director of the Nile Basin Initiative, Eng. Innocent Ntabana thanked Member States for their contribution to the success of the initiative.

This work has been un-

SHIRIKA LA UMEME TANZANIA



TAARIFA KWA UMMA

HALI YA UPATIKANAJI WA UMEME KATIKA JIJI LA DAR ES SALAAM

24 FEBRUARI 2019

Shirika la Umeme Tanzania (TANESCO) linawaomba radhi Wateja wake wa Mkoa wa Dar es salaam kwa kukosa huduma ya umeme kwa siku za hivi karibuni kutokana na maboresho makubwa yanayohusisha matengenezo kinga ya mashine 3 za Kituo cha Ubungo II, pamoja na uwekaji wa transformo kubwa la MVA 300 kwenye Kituo cha kupaza umeme cha Ubungo ili kukiongeza uwezo na kwenda sambamba na ukuaji wa mahitaji ya jiji la Dar es Salaam.

Kabla ya matengenezo kuanza mnamo Januari 2019 Kituo hiki cha kupaza umeme cha Ubungo kimekuwa kinapokea umeme kutoka katika vituo vya Uzalishaji umeme vilivyopo upande wa msongo wa kilovolti 220 kupitia transformo mbili zenye uwezo wa MVA 150 kila moja, zenye kupokea umeme wa msongo wa Kilovolti 220 na kuushusha hadi kuwa msongo wa Kilovolti 132 katika transformo namba sita na namba saba za kituo cha Ubungo na vituo vya uzalishaji umeme vilivyoungwa kwenye msongo wa kilovolti 132 ambavyo vimeungwa moja kwa moja kwenye mifumo mkuu wa usambazaji umeme kwa Dar es Salaam na Zanzibar.

Kutokana na matengenezo yanayoendelea vituo vya uzalishaji umeme vilivyoungwa kwenye msongo wa kilovolti 132 na 33 vimekuwa nguzo kubwa ya upatikanaji wa umeme. Vituo hivyo ni Ubungo II na Tegeta.

Shirika kupitia wataalamu wake tayari limefanya jitihada kubwa za kupunguza athari za upungufu wa upatikanaji wa umeme kwa wakaazi wa Dar es salaam na Zanzibar kwa kufanya yafuatayo:

ro na Hale: Hili hufanyika ili kutoruhusu umeme wa kutoka Dar es Salaam na Morogoro kwenda Kilimanjaro hivyo Mkoa huu kuchukulia kwenye upande wa msongo wa kilovolti 220 kutoka Arusha.

Pili , Kuwezesha upatikanaji wa umeme katika baadhi ya maeneo ya Mkoa wa Dar es salaam, kwa kuunga baadhi ya njia za Usafirishaji umeme kutoka Kituo cha Kinyerezi, Gongolamboto hadi Mbagala ili kuwezesha maeneo hayo kupata umeme bila kupitia kituo cha Ubungo ambacho kipo katika matengenezo.

Tatu, Kufungua njia ya umeme ya kilovolti 132 itokayo Kituo cha Kunduchi hadi Mlandizi na kuunga maeneo hayo katika njia ya umeme ya kilovolti 132 itokayo Morogoro ili kuwezesha jiji la Dar es salaam kuwa na umeme wa uhakika.

Nne, Kufungua laini ya msongo wa kilovolti 132 kati ya Ubungo na Chalinge upande wa Ubungo ili kutozihusisha transformo za Ubungo kwenye mzingo wa mikoa mingine na hivyo kutumika kuhudumia wateja wa Dar es Salaam na Zanzibar pekee.

Tunatarajia matengenezo haya yanayokwenda kwa awamu yatakamilika ifikapo mwezi Juni 2019.

TANESCO itaendelea kutoa taarifa ya Maendeleo ya kazi ya matengenezo ya kituo cha Ubungo yenye lengo la kuwezesha upatikanaji wa umeme wa uhakika Dar es salaam na Zanzibar kwa siku zijazo.

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TANESCO-Makao Makuu

Mosi, Kufungua laini ya msongo wa kilovolti 132 kati ya Kilimanjaro

The Dar es Salaam 2016-2036 Master plan (DMP)

RE: PREPARATION OF DAR ES SALAAM CITY MASTER PLAN (DMP 2016-2036)

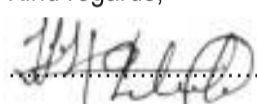
PUBLIC EXHIBITION (26 – 28.2.2019)

This is to bring to your attention of the event of public exhibition of the Dar es Salaam Master plan at the National Museum in Dar Es Salaam from 26th – 28th February 2019 as per the under shown schedule:

S/no	Date	1 st presentation	2 nd presentation	Responsible Team leader
1.0	26.2.19	11am	3.0pm	Dr. C. T. Lekule
2.0	27.2.19	11am	3.0pm	Dr N. Mushi
3.0	28.2.19	11am	3.0pm	Mr John Lubuva

We are advocating for a special attendance by the members of Architects and Quantity Surveyors Registration Board on the 26th February 2019, Town Planners Registration Board on 27th February 2019 at 3pm and Engineers Registration Board on the 28th February 2019 at 3pm for their special presentation and discussion on their specific contribution and opinion.

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Kind regards,
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Semenya vs IAAF: Regulation change was definitely needed

ATHLETES and athletics officials in Tanzania and other African countries have lately been engrossed in an interesting dispute, as to whether the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) was right in changing the rule on participating in women athletics contests. The federation has handed down a rule that limits the level of the testosterone hormone.

Rapidly as it can be seen from its first four letters, it is a hormone that has to do with sex hormone levels, if one is sufficiently female to compete in that rank.

If one is well above normal or admissible testosterone levels as in the case of South African runner Caster Semenya, she is barred.

Semenya is suing IAAF for the change of rules, where some of her supporters are beginning to talk about 'racism' as it appears this is a rule formulated against her rather than for the game as a whole.

That argument doesn't appear sufficiently meaningful as it pretends that it is her colour rather than her frame and figure that is at issue, whereas even a visually challenged observer would admit that there is something out of the ordinary in this case.

In that case it needs to be admitted that IAAF is pursuing fairness, not targeting an individual runner.

To say that it is unwarranted to target an individual simply because of her body is to suggest no rules need to be set up about bodies in athletics, or any other sports for that matter.

A similar rule was at one time set up

in East African netball competitions against a player (from Uganda) who was well above all others in height, making it impossible for teams to compete fairly against her team, as no one would be in a position to compete with her for the ball.

So maximum height was placed for purposes of the competition or future tournaments, effectively barring the young woman.

Similar protests were heard but in the final analysis the proper concern is fair play.

Even without delving into personal history as to how the runner became female rather than male, the strict issue of testosterone levels for being recognized as male or female is to this perspective something similar to VAR-video assisted referee.

We need to have something to fall back on in determining gender that simple sexuality, and even in that regard there are plenty of challenges as to what is feminine and male sexuality, a topic that has brought African states to clash with Europe and North America over the past few years.

While a portion of that debate is moral, in this case it is only partially moral but one of science, if Semenya is strictly speaking, female.

The best way to test is to measure a hormone that separates men from women and let her pass that test, period.

It is precisely this test that the runner failed, so despite some visible or incontestable particulars relating to her civic identity, sports organisations need to be freer.

They shouldn't be accused of racism in so doing, absolutely.

Speed up preparations against approaching rains, floods in Dar

WARNINGS have of late been raised by the Tanzania Meteorological Agency (TMA) that the long rains are about to start, signaling the last week of February as likely to be a starting point, and usually that takes up to the end of May.

Up to this moment relief rain has been experienced in many areas upcountry, with the backdrop of block mountain-sor mountain ranges, but the coastal areas have only had modest amounts of rain, and in some areas practically no rains for the past two months. That might be about to change with the long rains.

With 21st century climate change hazards rising, the past decade has seen monstrous flooding that is most fortunately repeated each year, in which case this year might not be a 2018 copybook experience.

But the warning from the weather agency suggested that the basic patterns remain intact, so the variations are not easy to map out, while the possibility of sporadic and destructive downpour, of undefined frequency, awaits the city of Dar es Salaam in particular.

It has so far remained in the shadow of the rainy season, without significant rains during the year end short rains or thereafter, which most city dwellers are likely to have seen as quite fortunate.

City authorities have been making visible and at times intense efforts to repair and rebuild roads that were more or less destroyed in last year's long rains and flooding spells.

To be fair, there were rather too many roads to be rebuilt, especially

when the previous years' destructive downpours are added on, but is last year's destructiveness that opened eyes and ears that something had to be done to the city drainage system.

Thus roads are being rebuilt or repaired with drainage channels on top of priorities.

In a way that should have been the case from the start, but councils used to make nasty shortcuts to ensure there are 'savings' for other needs.

While the work done so far is good, not to say remarkable in many of the city's suburbs, there are still plenty of gaps before the breadth of the city is sufficiently protected from ravages of floods.

In the Msimbazi Valley at the Jangwani bridge for example, dredging has scarcely started, and instead pronouncements are being made about shifting the rapid transit bus terminal or depot, whereas the sea-linked channel can be dredged and its walls raised as well as similar precautions around the bridge itself.

Taking the siltation there and easy flooding as a fact of nature is unfortunate on the part of authorities, while as other nations reclaim the sea to build suburbs.

We are likely to have less damage this year from floods, but greater effort in the next two weeks could help out. Constant surveillance during the past three years has ensured that road repair is done more efficiently and within time for the most part.

But people are not forgetful; they know elections are not so far away and the government may lessen its guard.

That means pulling one's leg up to the floods, to get more money later.

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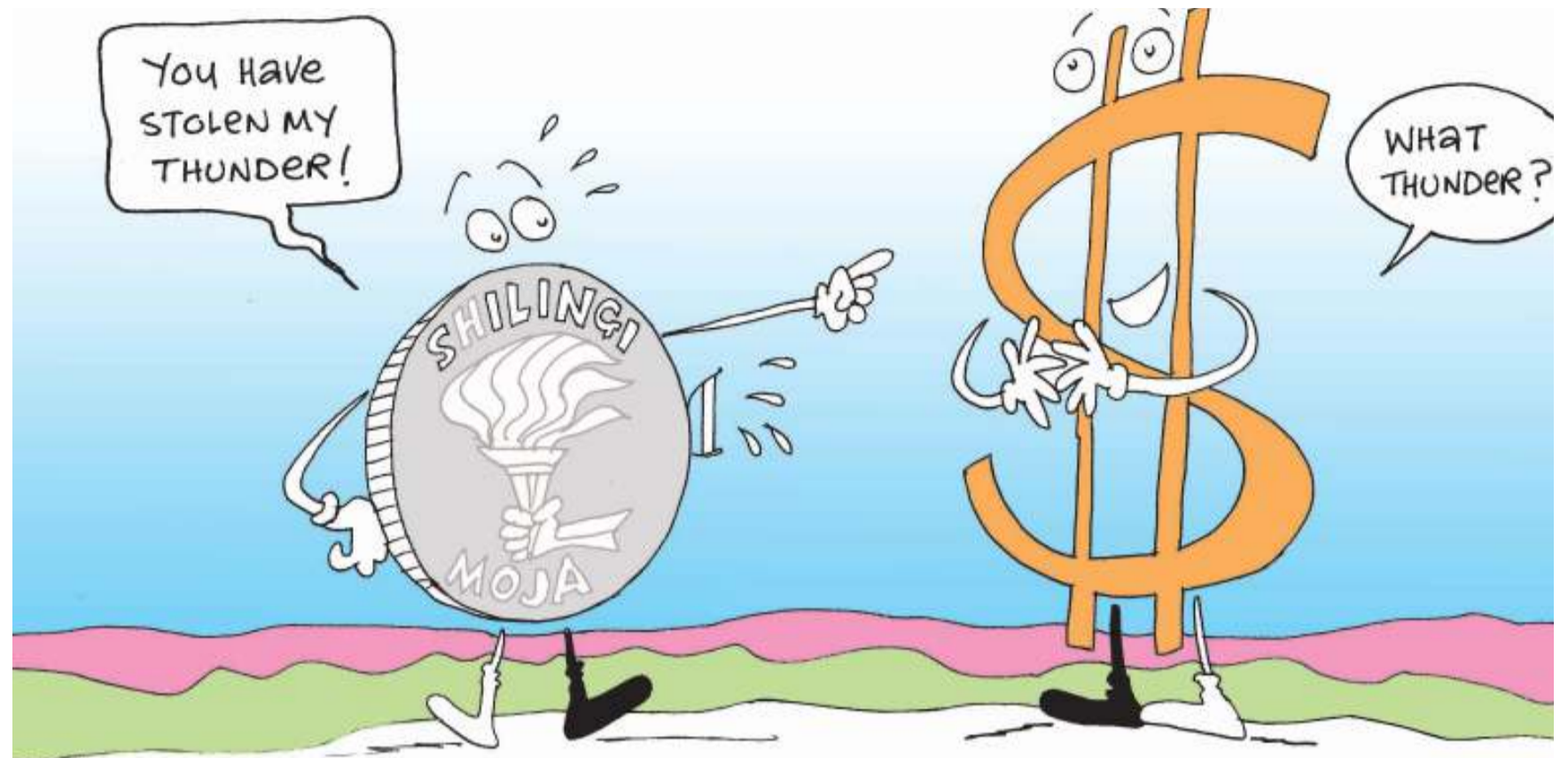
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Voice of Africa calls for maturity - 1

By Reason Wafawarova

At the launch of the MDC in 1999 Morgan Tsvangirai got carried away and chanted that infamous "We will remove you violently" statement that got him in trouble with the law. It was a sign of immaturity that was to be followed by many more similar bloopers, like openly calling on South Africa to switch off electricity on Zimbabwe and so on.

The MDC is turning 20 years in September this year, and it is now under the leadership of Nelson Chamisa. Like his predecessor, Chamisa has shown his own version of immaturity, albeit in a more breathtaking manner.

He started off by calling on the United States to keep economic sanctions against Zimbabwe in place; followed that up by blatantly lying that he had personally met Donald Trump and was promised billions of dollars. He also made outrageously ridiculous promises in the run-up to the July 2018 election, but more importantly he declared that no result of the election other than his victory would be legitimate, regardless of how the election was rated by observers, or how the people voted. His win was the only acceptable arbiter for the legitimacy of the election itself.

Even today, Chamisa sounds more than convinced when he says there is a legitimacy crisis in the country. He believes his absence from Government is in itself a legitimacy crisis, and he looks so serious about it, it's not funny.

When he lost the election by about 400 000 votes last year, he announced he was going to appeal the result at the Constitutional Court, and again he said only one court outcome would be acceptable to him - a ruling in his favour. He said any other outcome would not be acceptable or legitimate, and that he would be left with only one option - to pour sand in the national food plate. His youthful supporters are quite impressionable about this slogan.

When Tsvangirai was giving his maiden speech at the MDC launch in 1999, he was, like many in the then young leadership in the opposition, clearly carried away by the rhetoric of freedom and democracy. This would shape the modus operandi of the opposition for many years to come - the idea that freedoms and liberties to cause trouble are the essence of democracy.

To the then emerging political leadership in the opposition MDC, and to its equally emerging support base the rhetoric about a promised new era of freedom and democracy through "change" created a wayward kind of zeal. It was like a rich kid just discovering the Church of Scientology.

The zeal marked the beginning of an evangelical road to discovering the wonders of democratic liberties as espoused in the synoptic gospel of international law in general, and human rights law in particular. To most of the MDC activists, human rights law is all about permission to freely hold political rallies and violent street marches - the right to deride, ridicule and vilify political opponents without censure,



and the right to stone and beat up those that may choose not to participate in opposition-organised marches.

On January 14 this year we saw that our opposition has sadly regressed back to the politics of immaturity - something that had changed after the election of 2008. So we have a party whose supporters believe free media is media that relentlessly bashes ZANU-PF and forever praises everything and anything from the opposition.

In the aftermath of the January 14 violent and deadly MDC Alliance riots, there has been massive exaggeration, sensationalisation and biased reporting on the State's response to the violence. While there are genuine and meritorious cases of abuse of power by some rogue members of the security forces; including but not limited to reported robberies, extortion, bashing of innocent civilians, and so on, there are also countless unsubstantiated stories about killings, rape, torture and other atrocities, most of which are very sensational. Tendai Biti has even purported a Rwanda-like genocide.

The opposition has roped in our erstwhile colonisers, so yet again, in the name of upholding the rule of law, we are seeing a renewed onslaught on the efforts of Zimbabwe to recover its economy and rejoin the family of nations. We hear voices saying we do not qualify for a good economy and a place among the family of nations because our security forces did not allow our hooligans and thugs the freedom to do as they pleased on January 14.

We should have left them to burn the country down until ZANU-PF invites Chamisa to take over the State House.

We are still stuck with an opposition that supports and uphold the aggression of economic sanctions on our economy - an opposition that openly hails and

defends ZDERA, the United States sanctions law. This is a sanctions law that is supremacist in content, and imperialist in application.

It is now almost 20 years after the MDC was formed, and Zimbabwe is grappling with efforts to stabilise the rocking boat that our economy is. We probably sunk to our deepest lowest in 2008, after which the economy showed signs of recovery.

When Nelson Chamisa took over the MDC after the death of Morgan Tsvangirai he clearly was convinced that the only way to remove ZANU-PF from power is to exacerbate the country's economic woes.

So Chamisa leads a party that celebrates cash shortages, a party that cheers government failure, a party that attacks those who condemn sanctions on Zimbabwe, a party that rejoices in the anger of the masses, a party that spreads hate towards authority, a party that is totally committed to sabotage, rebellion, and lawlessness. A party that wishes for the day hospital staff will leave patients to die en masse on their hospital beds; a party that celebrates the day when our teachers desert our schools to leave our children unattended.

So the MDC will attack any country that welcomes our Government, including the UK, and will lobby the EU, the Commonwealth, the World Bank and the IMF to stifle every effort at economic recovery from the Government of Zimbabwe. Nelson Chamisa calls it pouring sand in the national food plate, and he openly brags about it.

Pro-opposition Zimbabweans in the Diaspora strongly back Chamisa's isolationist politics, on whose basis many of them gained entry into Western countries as asylum seekers.

In September 2007 the MDC under Tsvangirai changed course and

joined hands with ZANU-PF to pass Constitutional Amendment No. 18 without debate. This was to facilitate the dawn of harmonised elections where elections for local government, Parliament, Senate and the Presidency all take place in one day.

Lovemore Madhuku and his then NCA civic organisation were totally angry for obvious reasons. The MDC was endorsing a Constitution that the NCA was fighting, and that was treachery. The BBC described the opposition's move as a bargain deal; we Zimbabweans saw it as political maturity on the part of MDC MPs. Thokozani Khupe said it was the beginning of the end of the Zimbabwe crisis. Ironically, she has said exactly the same words after a national dialogue meeting recently convened at the State House by President Mnangagwa.

Nelson Chamisa was as expected absent at the dialogue meeting, ostensibly because he does not want to mix with election losers. He came second best, therefore he is not a loser like all others, and no meaningful dialogue can happen without him - the man who defines the legitimacy of everything. In 2007 Africa asserted its opinion on the politics of Zimbabwe, effectively taming and rehabilitating the opposition so it could depart from its identity as a Western political project to a truly home-grown African democratic party. It appears all gains made to this effect when Tsvangirai was still alive have been eroded badly since the day Chamisa took over the leadership of the main opposition illicitly.

Back then it took Africa just five months to speak so eloquently and clearly to the MDC, without giving the party a single cent, as would the West whenever they wanted to spur the opposition into some form of action.

*Continues tomorrow

Tanzanias... 'dodgy doings' ...hopefully diminishing?

Start the week with Cynthia Stacey

Jambo for the week, and after the last one gave me so much discomfort writing in the dark at night, courtesy of Tanesco, whilst swatting the mosquito with my hand held fan as the food rotted in the warm fridge (also courtesy of the ON/OFF national power supplier) I'm geared up for more of the same this week, but how to explain power cuts to none locals.



But I'm at least grateful that the gardens haven't been classed as 'unproductive' and sold off to government sponsored cronies

...because I've got some visitors arriving soon, who are interested in seeing what's left of Dar es Salaam, hopefully, they might be so shocked, they won't notice the Tanesco torment...which seems to be increasing.

Well, having an office and house cleared recently, I came across my old "dodgy doings" folders. These are bulky records on many misdeeds I've reported on over the years, and after being away for some time, would ask friends "what dodgy doings have happened in my absence" ... hence the files name.

Anyway, it seemed some 'doings' reached epic proportions, particularly in the land grab domain, which became an informal sector 'industry'.

In agrarian societies, honest peasants valued land, but in Tanzania, it's often been their urbanised brethren in the guise of the friendly local businessman/investor, that had the will and the bank balance to appropriate whatever took their fancy, in city or village, or perhaps both.

In the same way, they could subvert Master Plans, arrange for structurally sound buildings to be classified as 'unsound'... then demolished, and the empty space 'developed' by them.

Returning here in 2010, with some visitors who used to love Dar's old town centre, and the wonderfully crafted Indian buildings that gave

the city its heart and character, they were shocked that so much of it had gone, and wondered sadly how it was allowed to be destroyed.

Long neglected by the city fathers, their disappointment continued on seeing the neglect of the Botanical Gardens near Karimjee Hall, and recalling how wonderful this oasis used to be.

But I'm at least grateful that the gardens haven't been classed as 'unproductive' and sold off to government sponsored cronies.

It was my curious visitors, a few years ago, who on leaving the Sea Cliff Hotel asked us to stop and find out why so much of the land nearby had been 'cleared'. I didn't know the answer, but told them that allocations in such wealthy prime coastal areas, were frequently the result of 'dodgy doings'! After their departure a week later, this 'project' was decried in the media, and was as dubious as it appeared, exposing major malpractice from Kinondoni Municipal Council land officers.

Though the results of their misdeeds were later revoked, by their collusion in apportioning this large beach area in Masaki, the council were maintaining a tradition of unethical land disbursement in the country, the subsequent disputes of which will perhaps still continue to

cause havoc and disruption in the future, and enrich the legal profession in the process.

But surprisingly, defending this action at the time, Lands Minister John Chiligati said "this area could have lain idle, as the council lacked resources to develop it".

However, in the years following these comments, various large waterfront projects appear to have been given the go ahead, and visitors to some of Zanzibar's coastal areas are bemoaning the fact that there are now too many beach hotels, making the Spice Isles, less special.

So government policy now appears to be full steam ahead for built up shoreline areas, but with maybe a few token ones left 'unspoiled' to give a good impression to those caring for the environmental aspects of over building.

But let's imagine a notice to bureaucrats in this sector...

Special notice-Government instructions to land officers - senior grade. Reminder that: the beauty of a beach doesn't lie in the fact that it is just that, a beautiful beach, because this doesn't generate revenue and taxes for the government. ---therefore, whenever possible all areas of coastline should be built up and developed with theme parks, hotels, casinos, and similar heavily taxable areas of business, and not wasted on free access to the public: our Chinese partners might possibly give technical assistance to speed up progress in this lucrative sector: Continued..."

Well I enjoyed penning that bit of nonsense, but since the Lands Minister also said Coco Beach should be 'developed', let's re-cap on one aspect of this areas history.

Over twenty years ago, Cocoa Beach was a gleaming expanse of unblemished white sand.

For the benefit of a few swimmers in the area, the city operated a tiny shower and toilet facility, but put it



Coco Beach hotel area in Dar es Salaam. This business in a once pristine area, has had a contentious history since the degradation of the shoreline was rapid once the hotel started operations nearby. Where are the environmental watchdogs to monitor the effects of such businesses in coastal areas by inappropriate over development, and also through negligent public usage of the beach, such as littering. (File Photo)

up for tender with the proviso that the same service be maintained.

A long term user of this facility, and its glorious beach, I went home to Britain for some time, and on returning, was stunned to find a hotel and bar operating in the now greatly degraded and rubbish strewn area.

The then City Commission ordered the business to be closed, and attending the local court cases I asked in the Guardian of August 1996, "Will Commissioner Charles Keeja be forced to back down on the Coco Beach Hotel, now that the illegal construction has been officially opened by Mrs. Mkapa?"

...the sorry saga continued, but the case finally came to an end in a City Court, as the magistrate ordered its director to pay a 45,000sh fine and closed it down, after the commission had been fighting to achieve this for some time.

...the closure duly happened, and I went off to the UK, returning to find it fully functioning once more!

Nearly two decades later, the degradation of this once pristine and perfect tropical beach is complete, and though giving gainful

employment for people, the hotel has become a squalid settlement, extending to other areas also, and could best be described as Masakis'... Manzese in the making...but can this be reversed now it's under the auspices of the Kinondoni Municipal council?

This ugly blot on the landscape, has been a very visible testament of government failure to protect fragile resources, and proves that what has sometimes passed for development in Tanzania, has at best been the result of official ineptitude, at worst corruption...or more often or not, a combination of both...though in these Magufalian times, there's a glimmer of hope

...but where was the so called National Environmental Management Council (NEMC) whilst this was going on for years?!

...time to close on the dictionary definition of "dodgy"---"dishonest...criminal...not reliable...dangerous...that'll do!

...I think I'll keep my visitors away from beaches and cities, and head for the mountains...but with 'development' the buzz word, are there cable cars going up the 'Killi' yet... and maybe a shopping mall at base camp?!



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Nigeria and politicking - from Ogunwusis straight to the 2019 presidential election

By Richard Odunaya

MUCH as ethnic establishments and/or authorities have, for quite a while now, turned into a sad remnant of what it used to be, you can't cancel out how ethnic pyramids have been a wellspring of reference if there is a discussion on political power tussle in Nigeria.

History may have been abridged because of colonialism (add slavery) thus, the new age and possibly, some who are middle-aged won't comprehend when we talk about how politicking has been a piece of our inward culture. Thus, read on, let us go through this together.

Of particular interest in this piece is the story of the Ogunwusi's from Osun. Ile-Ife, Osun is the cradle of the Yoruba race and is usually described in a rustic manner embedded with instances of a filial feud, the most recent being the one between Adetunji Ogunwusi and his younger brother Enitan Adeyeye Ogunwusi-who were engaged in a battle of entitlement to the Ooni of Ife stool.

The procedure for choosing the Ooni was simple; at least, until the feud: the State Government writes to the Ruling House, whose turn it is to provide a candidate. The Ruling House meets, choose their candidates and send same to the State Government.

The Ifa priest also receives this list from the kingmakers, who approves one name and sends to the State Government, where the final approval takes place. Installation, by the kingmakers, follows.

But, Adetunji who was desirous of the revered seat and enjoyed the support of their mother frowned at En-



itan, who was fully supported by their father. And so, the politicking ensued.

The two brothers solicited support from prominent Ife indigenes. This is where influence and 'generosity' towards king makers became a deciding factor. Midway through all these, there were allegations of fraud levelled on the two brothers by the Sijuwade family's estate.

Are you seeing similarities between the top two contenders of the 2019 presidential election yet?

Adetunji had initially thought his younger brother was goofing around and so, confident Enitan's interest will fade out. Besides, Adetunji thought

his brother did not have the financial strength to pursue such a lofty cause. He was left disillusioned when it dawned on him.

As much as we want to recognise the ambition of the 70 other presidential candidates in the 2019 election, it is pertinent to note that two candidates- Muhammadu Buhari and Atiku Abubakar- have led us to reference the story of the Ogunwusi brothers.

Usually, an election in Nigeria begins three years earlier and with the 2019 election, Atiku, who had been an ally of Buhari, reminds us of the power tussle between Daenerys Targaryen and Cersei Lannister in the popular series-

Games of Thrones (yes, go watch it if you have not). Although, the politics is quite different.

Buhari, just like Adetunji, is of the opinion that he is more entitled to Nigeria's highest office and has, therefore, titled his campaign - Next Level.

Atiku, on the other hand, is relying on some other political powers and the perceived failure of the incumbent to provide the 'Change' that he promised in 2015. Indeed, there seems to be an elementary mindset - at surface level - that we can simply look at the two situations and comprehend the whole of Nigeria politics. Yet, we should not forget the way that Nigerian

politics is unreasonably unpredictable for naked comprehension. Nevertheless, it is essentially similar stories that play out every other election year. Without doubts, tricks, hypocrisy and conspiracy is the guideline on which Nigerian politicians depend on.

Also, you cannot leave out the fact that both Atiku and Buhari are from the same demographic population, have widespread influence, have been involved in Nigerian politics from independence, and have shown to have the kind of cult-like following that wins elections in Nigeria.

But who is going to be disillusioned this time around?

Cost of counter-terrorism for civilians in Liptako-Gourma

BY IBRAHIM MAÏGA

States in the Liptako-Gourma region - including Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger - are imposing restrictive measures to try to quell the growing threat of terrorism. These include limiting the freedom of movement in several parts of their territories.

Burkina Faso's government declared a state of emergency in seven of its 13 regions on 31 December 2018 due to increased attacks by violent extremists. In all Liptako-Gourma countries, emergency measures have included banning motorcycles and pick-up trucks, restricting people's movement and closing markets and weekly bazaars in affected areas.

The authorities argue that motorcycles are used by violent extremists to carry out attacks, and that these groups also use markets, especially weekly ones, to buy food supplies. They also suspect that the groups benefit from illicit trafficking such as cross-border fuel smuggling, to finance their activities.

In Central Mali, the decision of the army chief-of-staff on 1 February 2018 to prohibit the use of motorcycles and pick-ups in many areas generated mixed reactions. While the authorities believe this decision has significantly reduced the number of attacks - mainly those carried out by armed individuals on motorcycles - people complain about the constraints caused by the prohibition.

The measures are meant to stop terror attacks, but they are depriving communities of a big part of their livelihoods, and are further increasing their vulnerability. Between June and September 2018, the Institute for Security Studies (ISS) interviewed community members in Liptako-Gourma to understand the implications of counter-terrorism measures. Results show that the prohibition has negatively affected the movement of people and goods in peripheral areas that rely on pick-ups and motorcycles for transport.

In some places, restrictions on the use of these vehicles has led to a rise in the cost of transport and the price of goods. In the Ténenkou Cercle in Mali's Mopti region, the price of 1 kg of catfish has increased from 1 250 CFA francs (US\$2.15) to 2 250 CFA francs (US\$3.87).

The supply of goods to markets has



The actions were also taken without consulting local populations to ensure their effectiveness and applicability to specific contexts

been negatively affected as producers from neighbouring villages such as Noh Bozo and Sènè Bambara are finding it hard to transport their produce. This has increased the risk of food insecurity in the area. Disruption of supply chains has also worsened the livelihoods of farmers who are unable to move their goods to urban markets.

In the south-eastern Diffa region of Niger, where Boko Haram has been active, traffic bans or market closures have been in place since 2015. These measures have since been extended to the Tillabéri area after numerous terror attacks were attrib-

uted to armed people who often travel on motorcycles.

In Tillabéri, motorcycles are used for medical evacuations and to supply medicines. The restrictive security measures have made some health workers unwilling to visit areas under the state of emergency. The situation has undermined the operations of integrated health centres or health huts, affecting delivery of, and access to, basic social services.

For most interviewees, the measures haven't stopped terror attacks, and have negatively affected their socio-economic wellbeing. The actions were also taken without consulting local populations to ensure their effectiveness and applicability to specific contexts.

The trend in terror attacks in several parts of Soum province (Burkina Faso) which borders the region of Mopti (Mali) where traffic bans have been in place since March 2017, shows no clear sign that the measures have been effective.

Straight after the restrictions were imposed, the number of attacks dropped, but then rose again, as violent extremist groups adapted. So, despite the restraints

and traffic bans, insecurity linked to the terrorist threat persists, and has even spread to other parts of the Liptako-Gourma region. The figure below illustrates the trends in attacks before and after the imposition of restrictive measures.

The economic impact of the closure of weekly markets has also been significant. Besides the loss in income for traders, markets occupy a central place in people's lives and represent important spaces for social, political and cultural exchanges. They contribute to strengthening social cohesion in areas shaken by inter-community tensions.

The restrictions have not only deprived people of their livelihoods and access to services though - they've increased their vulnerability to violent extremism, as these groups exploit the situation to lure youth into their fold.

Although state agencies see restrictive measures as effective and instrumental in the fight against violent extremism in Liptako-Gourma, on the ground there is frustration and disapproval from local populations. People see themselves as double victims caught between violent ex-

trimest groups and government responses. States in the region need to address the shortcomings associated with these counter-terrorism actions, and improve communication with local communities when they are implemented.

The restrictions should be gradually eased when the security situation allows. This could be accompanied by other efforts such as providing basic social services, including food and healthcare. In offering these services, security and defence forces could provide a social role and compensate for the shortage of state personnel and humanitarian organisations in these areas.

Restrictive counter-terrorism actions can be counterproductive if they make it difficult to build trust between government and citizens. To prevent and counter violent extremism, Liptako-Gourma states need to develop strategies based on communication and consultation with communities. This will strengthen relations between the state and civilians, and increase community resilience to violent extremism.

People see themselves as double victims caught between violent extremists and their governments' restrictive security measures. File photo

India toxic alcohol deaths jump to 133 - police

GUWAHATI

At least 35 more workers have died in northeastern India after drinking toxic liquor, police said Sunday, taking the death toll from the latest mass alcohol poisoning beyond 130.

The deaths in Assam state came less than two weeks after tainted liquor killed about 100 people in the northern states of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

In addition to the latest toll, at least 200 more people were still hospitalised across Assam.

"The death toll has reached 133 in Golaghat and Jorhat districts," Mukesh Agarwal, additional director general of state police, told AFP on Sunday.

"A total of ten people have been arrested. We have sent the samples of the liquor... to a forensic laboratory. The report is awaited," he added.

Police said people started falling sick after consuming a batch of illegally produced liquor late Thursday.

The victims, who include many women, worked at local tea estates in the region.

Doctors said those rushed to hospital in a critical condition were suffering from severe vomiting, extreme chest pain and breathlessness.

Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has ordered an inquiry into the deaths.

Apart from the arrests, two excise department officials were suspended for failing to take adequate precautions over the sale of the alcohol.

Assam health minister Himanta Biswa Sarma vowed those responsible for the tainted liquor would be brought to justice.

Hundreds of mainly poor people die each year in India from tainted liquor, which normally costs just a few US cents a bottle.

Cheap, locally made booze is common in rural parts and bootleggers often add methanol -- a highly toxic form of alcohol sometimes used as an antifreeze -- to their product to increase its strength.

If ingested in large quantities, methanol can cause blindness, liver damage and death.

Many drinkers in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand were taken to hospital earlier this month in writhing pain after drinking illicit alcohol.

About 100 people died after consuming the tainted moonshine.

In 2015, more than 100 people died in a Mumbai slum after drinking illegal liquor.

AGENCIES



Mrefu Adrian, Tanzania Plantation and Agricultural Workers Union's secretary for Tanga Region, has a word with Tancord workers who demonstrated to the Tanga regional commissioner's office at the weekend demanding three-month salary arrears. Photo: Correspondent Boniface Gideon

How Rwanda is winning malaria fight

By Donah Mbabazi

Following the malaria contingency plan that was put in place in 2016, severe cases of malaria and mortality have since decreased by 50 per cent.

There has also been estimated reduction in the country's malaria burden with 430,000 fewer cases recorded in 2017 than in 2016, according to the World Health Organisation report released last year.

These achievements are attributed to many factors and one of these includes the outstanding role played by Community Health Workers.

Information from Rwanda Biomedical Center indicates that more than 50 per cent of malaria cases are now treated by Community Health Workers.

With the introduction of Home Based Management of Malaria (HBM) for both adults and children through Community Health Workers, malaria patients are being diagnosed and treated early.

Before this strategy was introduced, however, patients had to travel to

health facilities, far from their homes, to seek medical services, a hunch that delayed service delivery and in turn limited or rather increased the number of severe malaria cases and mortality.

Dr Aimable Mbituyumuremyi, the Malaria and Other Parasitic Diseases Division Manager at Rwanda Biomedical Centre, said that empowering Community Health Workers through training in fever malaria diagnosis and treatment has been a key to this success.

Before 2015, Community Health Workers could only manage malaria in under-five, but in 2016 results showed that adult people can also be managed by well-trained CHWs.

With a strong supervision of Health Centers in the catchment areas, CHWs are well equipped to manage fever at the community level but also provide other health related services and are trained on how and when to refer or notify any complicated cases, he said.

"CHWs are receiving malaria Rapid Diagnostic Tests and Antimalarial Drugs so that they can easily provide

services to those in need. Malaria free of charge services to the poorest people (Ubudehe 1 and 2) at the community level has greatly contributed to increased services seeking," he added.

More key strategies for malaria control include mass distribution of bed nets to the whole population (Universal coverage), routine distribution of bed nets in most vulnerable groups (pregnant women and under one year).

They also include Indoor Residual Spraying (IRS) in the most affected districts, early diagnosis and treatment at community level and educating communities for malaria prevention and services use.

From 2016 to 2018, malaria cases decreased more than 10 times in Nyagatare and Kirehe districts where Indoor Residual Spraying (IRS) has been sustainably implemented.

Malaria continues to represent a real public health concern in Rwanda despite evident progress and numerous efforts being combined for malaria control.



Energy minister Dr Medard Kalemuni (L, foreground) tours Nyakafuru mining sites in Mbogwe District, Geita Region, yesterday. Photo: Correspondent Theresia Mhagama



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NARUC Women in Energy Regulation Internship Opportunities

The Energy and Water Utilities Regulatory Authority (EWURA) is an independent, world class regulatory authority responsible for licensing, tariff setting and quality of service regulation of the electricity, water, and petroleum and natural gas sectors.

NARUC is the national association representing the State Public Service Commissioners who regulate essential utility services in the United States. NARUC members are responsible for assuring reliable utility service at fair, just, and reasonable rates. Founded in 1889, the Association is an invaluable resource for its members and the regulatory community, providing a venue to set and influence public policy, share best practices, and foster innovative solutions to improve regulation.

EWURA in Collaboration with NARUC has internship opportunities for which suitably qualified Tanzanian women graduates are invited to apply. The program is sponsored by the USAID Energy Division/Office of Energy and Infrastructure/Bureau for Economic Growth, Education and Environment (E3).

1) Intern - Natural Gas Engineer- 1 Post

- Office:** Gas Transmission Department
- Supervisor:** Principal Engineer - Gas Transmission
- Duties and Responsibilities:**
 - To provide support in coordination, collation, analysis and storage of information related to natural gas transmission for regulatory reporting purpose in periodic basis.
 - To provide support in carrying out technical analyses of natural gas components and report any potential problems that require attention.
 - To assist in reviewing reports submitted by explorers, transporters and sellers.
 - To undertake any other duties as assigned by the supervisor.
- Academic Qualifications**

The ideal intern for this position should have the following qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree Engineering (Petroleum, Gas, Mechanical, Chemical and Processing) and Geo - Science (Geology and Geo-Physics).

2) Intern - Electricity Engineer- 1 Post

- Office:** Electricity Generation and Markets Department
- Reports to:** Principal Engineer - Electricity Markets
- Duties and Responsibilities:**
 - To provide support in ensuring optimal provision of economic, technical, safety and environmental inputs to regulating and controlling the generation of electricity.
 - To provide support in monitoring activities of power generation and electricity marketing, including Independent Power Producers (IPPs), Emergency Power Projects, Small Power Projects, Market Operators and cross-border trading.
 - To provide support in monitoring electricity trading arrangements between the utilities and suppliers (including IPPs) and cross border according to the best industry practices.
 - To participate in dispute resolutions of various customers' complaints.
 - To provide support in pre licensing inspection of electrical facilities undertaken by the Directorate.
 - To undertake any other duties as assigned by supervisor.
- Academic Qualifications**

The ideal intern for this position should have the following qualifications.

- Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering, or related field.

Personal Attributes

In addition to the above qualifications, applicants are required to have the following attributes:

- A very high level of integrity, honesty and sense of responsibility;
- Eager/willingness to Learn; and
- Ability to work in a dynamic team;

Tenure and Remuneration

- Eligible Interns will be provided with a monthly stipend.
- Interns shall be responsible for their travel (where applicable) to and from the Authority's location as well as their upkeep.
- Interns shall be responsible for their medical insurance coverage.
- Internship will be for the period of 3 - 6 months.

Eligibility Criteria

- Recently graduated Female Students, aged between eighteen (18) to thirty (30) years, or currently enrolled in a master's level degree program or its equivalent in a recognized higher learning institution.
- The candidate can apply for an internship within one (1) year of having obtained such a degree.
- Submission of a letter from their school confirming their enrollment or a copy of the above mentioned Degree.
- Citizens of Tanzania.
- Applicants must be fluent both in English and Kiswahili.

Mode of Application

- Signed application letter with Curriculum Vitae (CV) including e-mail address or day time contact telephone number, together with degree certificates, transcripts, academic progress report, copy of birth Certificate, one passport size photo and names and contacts of three referees should be addressed to reach the under-mentioned by 22nd March 2019.
- Only short listed applicants meeting the above criteria will be invited for interview. Lobbying and canvassing for opportunity will not be entertained and may work to the applicant's disadvantage.
- Application letters with envelope marked "APPLICATION FOR NARUC WOMEN IN ENERGY INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES" should be addressed to:

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Educational research since 1967: Everything, except the main issue?

BOOK REVIEW

Title: Educational research since 1967: Everything, except the main issue?
Author: Issa Mcholo Omari (Prof Dr)
Publisher: Oxford University Press, Dar es Salaam
Date/Size: 2011/170pp., 28pp glossary
Reviewer: Miki Tasseni

READING through this publication would not tell a local observer or visitor if the study or as the author says, experience that is compiled and applied in this study is about Tanzania specifically or it is education research in general, at best with Africa in the background. That is why a critical review ought to approach the work from a localized point of view and examine how the concepts and methods outlined lead to a comprehension, even a reconstruction, of the sort of educational scenario that we have had for the better part of 50 to 55 years. It has by all accounts been a period of steady decline in education output, and ostensibly research never had a let up.

In a way Emeritus Professor Omari is well placed to reflect on the subject, and as contradiction would have it, depict precisely through that reflection what the problem is all about, for the simple reason that the publication more or less doesn't see the problem. If anything there would be

some remarks, or lateral productions that focus on other issues, for instance educational management and budgeted resources, how they have declined over time, or expenditure per pupil or student during the past 50 years. If that parameter is taken into account it becomes evident that there is no crisis of education as a profession but part of a wider environment, of failure.

While the purpose is to highlight educational research concepts as such, it is only in a specific sense that the concepts are being applied in education, as they cut across social sciences generally, and their origins aren't in any of the sciences but in philosophy. As the latter shed its hegemony to various applied sciences, behavioural research was adopted across the field, with each discipline adapting the concepts to its specific needs, picking the relevant examples, focusing on problems that stem from human life seen from that perspective, for instance in education there are issues of cognition, learning, etc. In sociology a key original study had fo-

cus on suicide.

The main part of the study, relating to meaning of research, identifying a research problem and key research operational ideas or 'paradigms' already show the depth of the problem, for being completely general in character rather than set in a specific medium, context or historical framework. The subsequent part of this conceptual mapping of educational research is equally technical in detailing things like sampling, data collection procedures, statistical techniques and how to write a research report. At times phrases that have been made familiar for other reasons come up, like 'evidence-based decision making,' that Uongozi Institute and REPOA are trying to pursue in relation to growth strategies of the fifth phase. Seeking out evidence, or real evaluation?

A series of interesting or key concepts and issues are treated separately in annexes, boxes and figures, which are serialized to seven, six and twelve respectively, to give light on some technically complex issues raised

in passing in the main exposition. As the presentation is a rather hurried overview of all what there is to know in conceptualizing research, with rather limited application to education as such, as in picking up examples of researchable and non-researchable issues/questions among others, these auxiliary presentation cover areas where the author is aware that students usually have problems in those areas. Graduate students, to be precise.

One can say that the book has to basic uses that are immediately possible or are likely to have been the broad format of using the contents of the book, that for undergraduate students it is a textbook on research methods that they need to have under their laps. It is a way of avoiding having to read too intensely a whole stretch of textbooks as this manual is basically a professor's polished lecture notes corrected and improved over the years, as well as precisations arising from both courses and solving practical problems in the field. For graduate students, the book is closer to what is sought to be: guide the master's and doctoral student setting out a project.

It is a different issue altogether if one was to venture



to demand what aspect of the book or collection of issues in the wide field of research triumphs over the other, whether it is its textbook and course summary function for a degree course in research methods, or it is its applied function. Views in that area may differ as in either case it will need plenty of complementary material, where the issues are treated in a longer and conceptually more robust manner, not one, two or three lines about a key issue in this or that area. It is this limitation that makes the book approximate what less prominent

educationists do, producing past papers as a learning trove.

The work is in part an illustration of the fact that students are exposed to the main issues in social sciences, and often quite intensively, but the presentation and its use for course purposes and examination bespeaks of that particular failing. That there is no debate to which the professor emeritus is delving into and making a point about it, which would also reflect a wider environment of dispute and clarification on those issues. For instance there is no

search being referred to where its mode of conduct would highlight for instance traps in the use of various research concepts or methods. Nor is there a background narrative on educational research in the country as special in one way or another, for instance the ravages of equating farming with learning in the 1970s.

Perhaps Prof. Omari overreached himself with a sense of humour in introducing himself in a preliminary page, 'about the author,' where there is gender bias, fatherly pride, exhaustive sense of success and a bit of

jingoism in saying that "he is married to one and the same wife since 1972," as if to poke a finger at those who divorced, etc. He points out that the conjugal partner is an educator as well, holding an MA in Education, and they have three children, one holding a PhD in neuroscience and two daughters, holding master's degrees in environmental management and international development, respectively. While all this is all happy and nice, there is a hidden research or knowledge implication, that with this sort of family, what he says must be right!

S. Sudan warring parties urged to pursue lasting peace to win external support

JUBA

The warring parties in South Sudan should hasten implementation of a peace agreement signed late 2018 in order to secure financial support from the international community, experts told Xinhua.

Augustino Ting Mayai, a policy analyst with the Sudd Institute, a Juba-based think-tank, told Xinhua there were limited funds in the state coffers to facilitate implementation of the peace deal hence the need to seek external support.

"We are getting some money from oil revenue but this is not seen in terms of government spending. As we know there has been only 400,000 U.S. dollars available for funding peace," Mayai said on Wednesday.

He said that the government's failure to allocate enough funds to support peace deals' implementation could be interpreted as lack of commitment by the international community.

Michael Makuei Lueth, information minister, disclosed last week that the government is looking for over 44 billion pounds (285 million U.S. dollars) in order to implement the peace agreement.

Makuei revealed the state will be taxing civil servants' salaries for over a four-month period to mobilize cash to expedite the peace process as the pre-transitional period ends in May this year.

The international community has nevertheless adopted a "wait and see" strategy, having seen the 2015 peace agreement collapse during the renewed violence in July 2016.

The collapse of the previous peace agreement has made the United States, Britain and Norway under the Troika grouping become

wary of funding the revitalized peace agreement signed in September 2018 between President Salva Kiir and Riek Machar who is leader of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army-in opposition (SPLM/A-IO) in Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital.

Besides funding, the government and SPLM-IO have disagreed over the draft constitution which is currently awaiting parliament approval.

The SPLM-IO said the proposed constitution in its current form defeats the spirit of the revitalized peace agreement as it ignores the implementation of the federal system in favor of centralized power structure.

Nathaniel Oyet, representative of SPLM/A-IO on the National Constitutional Amendment Committee (NCAC), said the draft constitution violates the peace agreement, since paragraph five in the preamble of the peace agreement calls for federal system as the preferred choice for the people of South Sudan.

"We do not accept the procedure being used by the chairman of National Pre-Transitional Committee (NPTC). We raised this issue with IGAD and the guarantors of the peace agreement," said Oyet, adding that they are waiting feedback from peace guarantors on the contentious issue.

However, information minister Makuei said the opposition's disquiet over the draft constitution was unnecessary, since the document has backing from the regional peace mediators, the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD).

"These people are just trying to create unnecessary (demands) things. IGAD has already endorsed the draft constitution," said Makuei.

There are currently more than 400 peace delegates from both the government and opposition being accommodated in hotels in the capital.

Makuei revealed that they are persuading Thomas Cirilo, the leader of the National Salvation Front (NAS) whose group despite having signed the ceasefire agreement continues to fight government and SPLA-IO forces in Yei River and Amadi states in Central Equatoria region, to join the peace process.

"Thomas Cirilo is causing a lot of havoc in the Yei River State, but we have people talking to him to come and join the peace process," said Makuei.

James Okuk, political science lecturer at University of Juba, said that the real work has not been done despite formation of the various committees in place.

"A lot has been done especially on provisions in chapter I of the peace agreement. The real work that is needed is not yet there apart from formation of committees," said Okuk.

He disclosed that the key important things that are yet to be worked on include the cantonment of forces, identifying the number of states, demarcation of the borders of the states.

Okuk added that the Cessation of Hostilities (CoH) is being violated in Yei River state forcing some estimated 5,000 people to seek refuge in DR Congo, hence creating doubts on the current peace agreement.

He said NAS under Cirilo are left with no choice but to join the peace deal as regional and international pressure intensifies on them. "They (NAS) are left with no choice but to join the peace process, because I don't know which objective they want to achieve. Even if they



fight now or tomorrow I don't see them achieving their objectives," said Okuk.

He also said the Disarmament Demobilization Commission has not been set up.

"If you go to the countryside, everybody is still holding guns and that's a big problem," said Okuk.

He added that more work is needed from the parties to

move forward the peace agreement.

"Coming here to visit is fine but the real work that is supposed to be done by technocrats is not being done. What

we are seeing are high-level meetings. Beyond that it's difficult to get the bigger picture of what is happening," said Okuk.

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Biodiversity loss rapidly pushing the food system towards collapse

BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The current industrial model of agriculture underpinning the global food system is destroying itself - and humankind with it. This is the conclusion one could draw from a just-released report by the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) entitled State of the World's Biodiversity for Food and Agriculture.

The report provides some alarming details of the irreversible and catastrophic damage being done to the planet's biodiversity, specifically that which sustains the global food system.

It outlines humankind's reliance on a small group of species, the destruction of habitat and land-clearing, and the unsustainable use of resources as key factors in the rapid loss of biodiversity that is tearing apart the living systems that feed the planet.

The FAO's exhaustively researched report is the first of its kind, but its subject matter goes to the very heart of Slow Food's mission.

Since 1996 Slow Food has been fighting and crusading for the need to save biodiversity on planet Earth, including creating the Ark of Taste - a catalogue of foods at risk of disappearance, which recently added its 5,000th product.

Also included are creating 575 Presidia, empowering and supporting farmers and food producers who work in harmony with the environment and promote local biodiversity; and campaigning against the current destructive and unsustainable model of intensive industrial agriculture.

Slow Food has long been working with the FAO to develop food and agricultural systems that are better for consumers, producers, and the planet. In fact, Slow Food President Carlo Petrini is a FAO Zero Hunger Special Ambassador for Europe, which highlights the affinity between the two organisations.

Time is running out and, in-

deed, humankind must turn things around within the next ten years or risk a total and irreversible collapse.

This relies on combining modern knowledge and technology with its traditional counterparts as well as redefining our approach to agriculture and food production by placing the preservation of biodiversity and ecology on equal footing with profit and productivity.

Action on every level, from small-scale farmers and producers to the highest levels of government and through regulations like those in the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), must be geared towards a food system that protects biodiversity.

PROMOTION

NMB names 'MastaBata' lottery winners for Dubai trip

By Guardian Reporter

THREE lucky winners of NMB Bank Plc's 'MastaBata' campaign with their partners who will have a four day fully paid trip to Dubai next April, have been named.

The trio who won grand draw held in Dar es Salaam last Friday are: a pharmacist with Muhibili National Hospital, Eistein Ngao, a Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority employee, Paul Kasambala and Arusha Regional Medical Officer, Dr Magebo Simon.

The two months campaign which sought to encourage NMB customers use either NMB MasterCard or NMB

Masterpass to make payments, ended last Friday. During the campaign, 12 people won Samsung S9+ smartphone each while another 140 people went home with 100,000/- cash prize each during weekly draws.

Speaking after picking up the winners, NMB Senior Product Specialist for Card Business, Stephen Jilila said the bank is extremely satisfied with the two months campaign while congratulating the winners.

"Apart from these three winners, dozens other also won various cash prizes and smartphones during the two months," Jilila said while urging customers to adopt a culture of using bank cards to pay for goods and



NMB Bank Senior Product Specialist for Card Business Stephen Jilila (C) speaks during a draw to pick three lucky winners for 'MastaBata' campaign in Dar es Salaam last Friday. With him are Senior Manager Card Business Manfred Kayala (L) and NMB Senior Manager, Card Business, Philbert Casmir (R). Photo courtesy of NMB.

services as the country heads towards a cashless economy.

Seconding Jilila's observations, NMB Senior Manager, Card Business, Philbert Casmir said as a result of the campaign, the bank has seen an overwhelming use of NMB MasterCard and MasterPass by cus-

tomers.

"I urge customers to continue using these cards because they are by far safe and secure...rather than walking around with bulky cash," Casmir said.

NMB Bank is the first bank in Tanzania to issue secure EMV (chip and pin) MasterCard with con-

tactless technology, and pioneered the largest roll out of contactless MasterCard payment cards in the country to date.

Contactless technology allows consumers to make fast, secure and more convenient payments at real time hence efficient and convenient.

CENSURE

Treasury withholds billions in funding for Dar priority projects due to laxity

By Guardian Reporter

DISSATISFIED by laxity in executing priority projects including construction of modern markets at Magomeni and Kisutu, Vingunguti slaughter-house, Treasury has withheld the release of 38bn/- allocated to three major projects in Kinondoni municipality.

Speaking at the end of her three days tour of the municipality last week, Deputy Minister for Finance and Economic Planning, Dr

Ashatu Kijaji said Treasury is not convinced by the pace of construction of the projects hence her decision to withhold funding.

"We need to pull up our socks and implement these key projects as a matter of urgency," Dr Kijaji said while challenging municipal authorities to put their act together and speed up the process. She said 5.5bn/- allocated for the 8.5bn/- Magomeni market will not be released so too is 3bn/- allocated for Vingunguti slaughter-house.

The three projects which also includes

that of upgrading Oysterbay beach which has been allocated 14.1bn/- and Tandale modern market allocated 9.7bn/- and Kibada modern market with a 14bn/- allocation.

"We will not release the funds allocated to implement these strategic projects in the second phase because supervisors of these projects will be the same people," the Deputy Minister added.

"We will only release the funding if we see satisfactory progress being made on the ground," she charged. She urged Kinondoni,

Ilala and Ubungo District Commissioners to strictly supervise the priority projects which Treasury has already released some funding because President John Magufuli wants all municipal councils of the commercial capital to be self sufficient after the projects are finished.

"But equally important is that we should not politicised these strategic projects because they are meant to empower all people economically regardless of their political affiliation," Dr Kijaji stressed.

During her three days inspection tour, Dr Kijaji visited 22 projects which were financed by 147bn/- Treasury grant released in May 2018 which include Kisutu, Mburahati and Magomeni modern markets; Vingunguti modern slaughter-house and Mbezi Louis upcountry bus depot.

She commended Ubungo municipal officials for a satisfactory implementation of Mbezi Louis upcountry bus station promising to back completion of the project on time.

FRIGHTENING



Finance and Planning Deputy Minister for Finance, Dr Ashatu Kijaji speaks to Dar es Salaam municipal officials.

Johnson & Johnson under investigation over fears its baby powder may cause cancer

LONDON

LET'S be clear: If you know that your baby powder is pure, there's nothing dangerous about slapping some on a newborn or sprinkling a little bit in some smelly shoes. But for Johnson & Johnson, which has come under fire recently due to concerns about contamination in its baby powders, millions of dollars are now riding on a few tricky questions.

The first is: did the company know that its powder may have contained some asbestos when they sold it? And second, if there was asbestos in the baby powder, how much was there, and was it enough to cause harm?

The questions stem from the use of talcum powder in baby powder; talc can sometimes be contaminated with asbestos - a known can-

cer-causer - because the two naturally occurring Earth minerals are often mined in close proximity.

Johnson & Johnson disclosed on Wednesday that federal regulators were raising questions about the company's baby powders in a filing with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

That federal investigation comes on the heels of a series of lawsuits about baby powder, some decades in the making. The most recent suit was decided in July: A jury in Missouri ordered Johnson & Johnson to pay up \$4.7 billion to 22 women who claimed the company's baby powder caused their cases of ovarian cancer. The company maintains that's not the case.

"Johnson & Johnson remains confident

that its products do not contain asbestos and do not cause ovarian cancer," the company said in a statement after that verdict was announced.

Questions remain about Johnson & Johnson's product

There are clues that suggest Johnson & Johnson baby powder may have had some asbestos in it, and that people inside the company knew about it.

In December 2018, a Reuters investigation revealed internal documents from the company that showed that from at least 1971 to the early 2000s, "the company's raw talc and finished powders sometimes tested positive for small amounts of asbestos."

After that Reuters report, Johnson & Johnson CEO Alex Gorsky said again that there was

no asbestos in the company's products. "We know that our talc is safe," Gorsky said in a video message on the company's website. He added that the company uses the "purest, safest, pharmaceutical-grade talc on Earth," and that the baby powder "does not cause cancer or asbestos-related disease."

The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) conducted a study from 2009 to 2010 that checked 34 different talc cosmetic products, including baby powders, and found no asbestos fibers.

Another study of earlier powders in the 1960s and 70s also found no evidence of asbestos. But Johnson & Johnson has not yet revealed any internal information about asbestos tests or concentrations, and without that specific data, it's hard to know exactly what

was or is in its baby powder.

The messy link between talc and asbestos Asbestos miners have been diagnosed with lung cancer for centuries, but the studies investigating whether talc miners get lung cancer are mixed. "To prevent contamination of talc with asbestos, it is essential to select talc mining sites carefully and take steps to purify the ore sufficiently," the FDA says on its website.

Some studies have suggested there's a link between using talc and getting cancer - women who use baby powder report higher instances of ovarian cancer than others. But even the researchers behind those studies are skeptical about their results, since most of that research was conducted by surveying women about their powder use years later.

INVESTMENT

Kenyan ride-hailing firm Little plans to raise \$50m as it eyes Africa expansion

NAIROBI

Kenyan ride-hailing company Little is expanding to Tanzania and Ghana by May and plans to raise about \$50 million more from investors, its chief executive said on Friday.

Little, which competes with global players Uber and Taxify in Kenya, is valued at about \$70m to \$75m, chief executive Kamal Budhabhatti said,

a minnow compared to rivals but it has aims to expand across Africa.

The company will offer rides in Tanzania's commercial capital Dar es Salaam from next week and plans to launch in Accra by May, Mr Budhabhatti said, adding to operations in Kenya, Uganda and Zambia.

"We want to get into a lot more countries than what we are in at the moment," Mr Budhabhatti said. He said Little was talking to investors to

raise about \$50m in series A funding, the financing received when a start-up opens up to outside investors for the first time. It aims to finalise this by mid-2019.

"We are meeting a couple of investors, both on the continent and in Silicon Valley. The interest is there," he said, adding that new funds would be used to develop technology and to expand to more countries. He did not name the potential

investors.

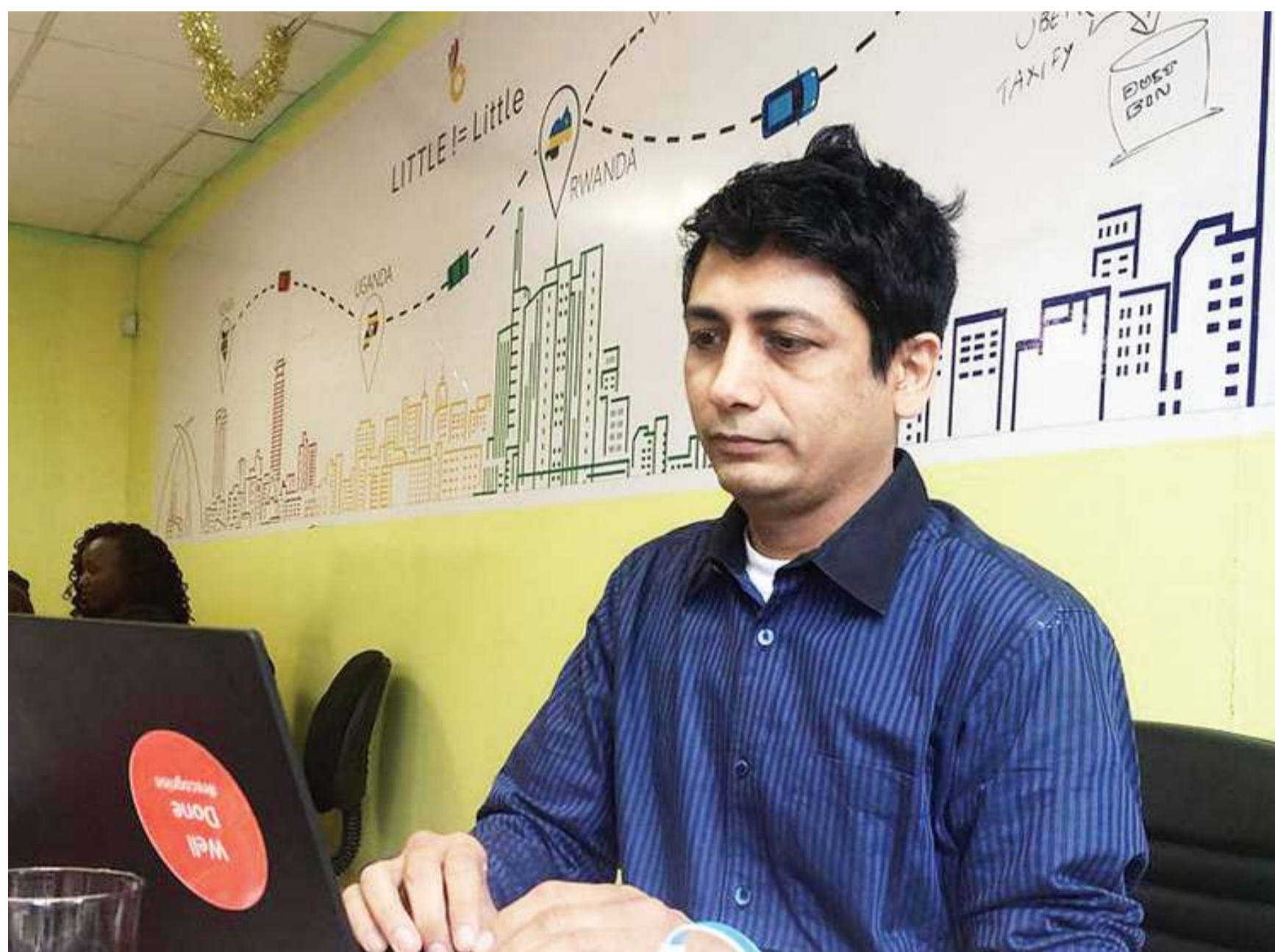
Without the deep pockets of its ride-hailing rivals in the region, Little has been attracting drivers by encouraging them to offer extra services to earn money, Mr Budhabhatti said. "Our drivers are agents, they can sell insurance to you, they can sell (mobile) airtime, they can pay light and/or water bills, they can do all those little things around that increases that income," he said.

Little, which has a marketing partnership with Kenya's biggest mobile operator Safaricom, is also available to Kenyan customers who do not have a smartphone. The company worked with mobile operators to introduce a code to identify a passenger's location. "About 20 per cent of our rides actually come from non-smartphones," Mr Budhabhatti said.

The company, which started up in 2016, has 10,000 registered drivers

in Nairobi, with about 60 per cent of those active, and more than a million users on its platform across all markets, with more than 60 per cent of those in Kenya, he said.

Uber, which has been operating in Kenya for four years, has 6,000 active drivers. Little launched a bus service in January in Nairobi, on top of its car taxi service and motorcycle taxi service, known in Kenya as "boda boda". It is also looking at a delivery service.



Kamal Budhabhatti-CEO of Kenyan ride-hailing company, Little.

CENSURE

Sasol intentionally polluted the Vaal River, SAHRC inquiry hears

JOHANNESBURG

AN official at Sasol Secunda has accused the petrochemical giant of intentionally polluting the Vaal River. The employee made submissions at the South African Human Rights Commission's (SAHRC) inquiry into the contamination of the river, held at Constitutional Hill in Johannesburg.

"Sasol excretes a type zero waste which is not allowed to be landfilled at all. And if it (Sasol) wishes to do so, it will have to treat it (the waste) to be type one, to reduce harm," he said. Some residents in the Vaal claimed that the foul smell in the area made them sick and wanted their concerns to be attended to urgently.

The situation prompted the SAHRC to establish an inquiry to determine whether the spillage amounted to an infringement of basic human rights, and what may have caused the pollution in the first place.

The Emfuleni municipality, which is the most

affected, has since been placed under administration and the mayor, Jacob Khawe, tendered his resignation in December. Among some of the chemicals the whistleblower said Sasol continues to spill, is vanadium.

A quick Google search reveals that a person's exposure to vanadium may affect the central nervous system, with symptoms including headaches, abdominal cramps, diarrhoea and a green colour to the tongue.

Another chemical the Sasol official testified that his company unlawfully discharges is potassium carbonate, which can cause severe irritation of the gastro-intestinal tract and result in nausea, vomiting and burns.

"Those chemicals should never be allowed into a stream, and I have been advised that some of the chemicals can cause birth defects," the whistleblower said. He also explained to the inquiry that he had been subjected to intimidation after he spoke

about the matter to his superiors.

"The intimidation is worsening despite the fact that I have followed proper procedures to report the irregularities to relevant authorities, I am just surprised that I am not shot in the head yet," he continued.

These revelations come despite Sasol having appeared before the same inquiry in November and denied its involvement in the pollution of the river from its Secunda plant. The petrochemical giant at the time only conceded that it had struggled to interpret some compliance requirements about regulations on the discharge of waste.

Sasol also revealed that three of its incinerators were closed last year due to non-compliance. The SAHRC's inquiry sat for the last time on Wednesday and its chairperson Buang Jones said "all written and verbal submissions will be considered, evaluated" and added so that a final report would be compiled in three months.

POLE POSITION

Nigeria retains top spot as Africa's largest economy

NAIROBI

NIGERIA has been named Africa's largest economy for the second year in a row, citing its economic prowess in the continent, multinational professional services network PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) disclosed.

The auditing firm which ranks second to Deloitte in professional services published its latest edition of Nigeria Economic Outlook: Top 10 Themes for 2019 on February 18 this year, distinguishing its economy from other seven.

Nigeria leads the pack in the west-

ern part of the continent with Kenya falling short to Ethiopia in the East African region. The level of competition in East Africa is quite tight with various sectors accounting for the hefty foreign investments.

Other than agriculture which is the spine of many African economies, aviation and oil sector are contributing heavily to the economies. Egypt leads in North Africa while South Africa leads southern African countries as it is recovering from economic recession to be a competitive investment hub.

Top seven economies in Africa

Nigeria

With a GDP of \$1.121 trillion, the country leads the rest of its counterparts. According to analysts, the postponing of the country's general election in 2019 could cause the economy over \$1 billion but are adamant the various sectors such as agriculture, oil and manufacturing industry will stabilise it.

Foreign investors have expressed their concerns over investing in the electioneering era, as politics which shapes most economies took centre stage. Communications and technol-

ogy have elevated the country's economy as well.

Egypt

The Northeast African country follows closely with a GDP of \$1.13 trillion. According to reports from the World Bank, its economy is set to shoot up by at least 5.7% in 2019. Main sectors playing a crucial role in the growth and development of the country include construction, telecom and gas industry.

South Africa

President Cyril Ramaphosa has

governed the country in overcoming its economic recession and attract foreign investments. With a GDP of \$765.5 billion, the tourism sector is playing a fundamental role in steering the economy of the country.

Algeria

With a GDP of \$630.5 billion, petroleum and gas industry is the main contributor to the country's economy.

Ethiopia

The East African nation is dubbed as the investment hub of East Africa

and has made headlines for its conducive business environment that has lured Turkish, German, Chinese and Vietnamese investors among others including Americans.

Aviation industry driven by the nation's air carrier Ethiopian Airlines has contributed to the country's economy. Moreover, with a GDP of \$199.3 billion, agriculture contributed extensively to the country's growth. Angola finishes above Kenya with a GDP of \$197.9 billion and \$163.3 billion respectively. Both depend on the agriculture sector for economic development.

PROGRESS

Gemfields unveils USD15M state-of-the-art, industry-leading sort house

MAPUTO

GEMFIELDS unveils a new ruby sort house on one of the most significant recently discovered ruby deposits in the world, at Montepuez Ruby Mine in Mozambique. The first of its kind in the coloured gemstone industry, it will be on a par with the best diamond facilities in the world. This state-of-the-art facility, the result of an investment of USD15M, will allow Montepuez Ruby Mine (MRM) to consistently deliver a greater volume and spectrum of responsibly sourced rubies to the global market.

The facility itself will raise production levels significantly. It works by using the natural properties of rubies as a means of automated sorting. The process starts

with washing of the raw material, before passing it under ultra-violet (UV) light. Rubies naturally fluoresce under UV light, meaning optical sorters can detect the fluorescence and employ blasts of air to direct individual rubies to separate channels for further sorting and grading.

The use of programmable logic controllers and data software under the UV light to conduct this process is faster, more reliable and more efficient than the human eye. It also allows the identification of a finer material component than before.

A greater number of washing plants - the equivalent of washing 10,000 tonnes of ore per day - combined with UV optical sorting account for how throughput will increase exponentially, translating into significantly higher production figures.

As commented by Kaung San, Ruby Grading Supervisor, "Previously the sorting of rubies was largely manual, but it is very exciting to now introduce automated sorting which will require minimal manual sorting. Our productive capacity will increase exponentially."

However, the introduction of automation will not mean a reduction in workforce, in fact quite the opposite. Firstly, the greater throughput of the sort house means an expansion of the current active mining area, which will require an increase in workforce. Secondly, the manual part of the sorting process - categorisation and grading the rubies themselves - will require a greater volume of highly skilled employees.

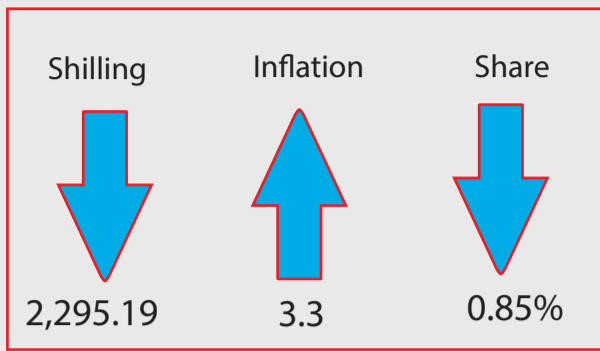
Rather than import this expertise, MRM

is creating the first group of Mozambican gemmologists specialised in the selection and classification of rubies, which marks a substantial step for the ruby industry. And finally, the installation of the technology itself has equipped the Mozambican workforce with the technical ability to understand, operate and manage facilities of this nature anywhere in the world, enabling their place as a specialised and competitive labour force in the international employment market.

Mervyn Dettmer, Head of Sort House, commented "We believe that this new machinery will enrich and expand the knowledge of our employees, creating development opportunities and specialisation in the field of gemmology within the local workforce."



Gemfields sort house at montepuez.



Total Market Capitalization

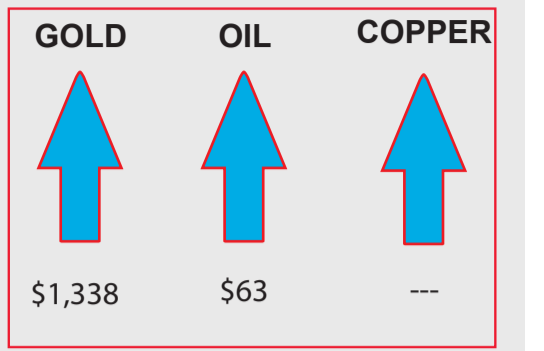
TZS 20,705.40 bln (USD 9,083.65 mln)
 Indices February 22, 2019
 TSI 3,533.65 +0.00
 DSEI 2,148.11 -24.93

AVERAGE PRICES FOR FOOD CROPS TSH/100KG

Maize	52043.48	Finger Millet	146210.53
Rice	185909.09	Wheat	125214.29
Sorghum	74263.16	Beans	177500.00
Bulrush Millet	72846.15	Round potatoes	77704.55

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: February 22, 2019

Company	Closing	Prev	Chg (%)
ACA	7,600	7,900	-3.80
CRDB	135	135	+0.00
DCB	340	340	+0.00
DSE	1,300	1,300	+0.00
EABL	4,460	4,460	+0.00
JHL	9,750	9,800	-0.51
KA	165	185	-10.81
KCB	960	960	+0.00
MBP	490	490	+0.00
MCB	500	500	+0.00
MKCB	800	800	+0.00
MUCOB	400	400	+0.00
NICO	170	170	+0.00
NMB	2,340	2,340	+0.00
NMG	1,480	1,480	+0.00
PAL	400	400	+0.00
SWALA	490	490	+0.00
SWIS	2,340	2,340	+0.00
TBL	11,700	11,700	+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	15	15	+0.00
VODA	800	800	+0.00
YETU	600	600	+0.00

DSE MARKET SUMMARY

TSI	3,533.65	+0.00
DSEI	2,148.11	-24.93

TRADING STATS

Market Cap (bln)	20,705.45
Equity Turnover	176,275,150.00
Total Volume	62,162
Total Deals	44

TOP MOVERS

CRDB	135	28,290
VODA	800	17,580
TBL	11,700	13,032

GAINERS & LOSERS

Company	Price	Change
ACA	7,600	-3.80%
JHL	9,750	-0.51%
KA	165	-10.81%

Interbank Foreign Exchange Market (IFEM)

Date	Amount Traded (Mn USD)	High	Low	Weighted Average
22/Feb/2019	2.35	2,310.90	2,298.60	2,300.37
21/Feb/2019	4.50	2,311.00	2,298.50	2,300.34
20/Feb/2019	3.90	2,310.00	2,297.30	2,299.45
19/Feb/2019	4.70	2,306.00	2,297.25	2,297.65
18/Feb/2019	1.55	2,307.00	2,293.97	2,295.23
15/Feb/2019	1.53	2,308.50	2,293.95	2,295.19
14/Feb/2019	1.42	2,307.80	2,293.98	2,295.15

Inter-bank Local Money Markets

Date	Volume (million-TZS)	High	Low	Weighted Average Rate (WAR)
22/Feb/2019	23,500	6.50	4.50	4.96
21/Feb/2019	20,800	4.75	4.50	4.68
20/Feb/2019	23,700	4.85	4.50	4.76
19/Feb/2019	48,800	5.00	4.50	4.60
18/Feb/2019	44,800	6.00	4.50	4.53

Tanzania Shilling On Average bases

The USDTZS increased 7.0000 or 0.30% to 2,335.0000 on Wednesday February 20 from 2,328.0000 in the previous trading session. 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 prices rise on subdued dollar; Fed stance limits gains

- * Gold on path for second straight weekly gain
- * Platinum sees best week since early Jan
- * Palladium set for third straight weekly gain

LONDON, Feb 22 (Reuters) - Gold inched up on Friday as optimism over U.S.-China trade talks pressured the dollar, but signs that the U.S. Federal Reserve could raise interest rates again this year kept prices below a 10-month high hit earlier this week.

Spot gold rose 0.3 percent to \$1,326.56 per ounce as of 0814 GMT. The metal was headed for a second straight weekly rise, up almost 0.4 percent this week.

U.S. gold futures were up 0.1 percent at \$1,329.1 per ounce.

"The dollar's trajectory and soundings from the Fed will obviously play on gold prices, but the metal's focus is now more on key levels than key events," said Ronan Manly, a precious metals analyst at BullionStar Singapore.

"The main target is still the technically important area between \$1,350 and \$1,360 above which would be a one year high."

The dollar index against a basket of six major currencies was set to decline about 0.3 percent this week, which could be its biggest weekly fall in a month. The U.S. unit has been under pressure on hopes of a U.S.-China trade deal.

U.S. and Chinese negotiators resumed high-level talks on Thursday to hash out a deal that could end their trade war, just over a week before a U.S.-imposed deadline.

*On a day to day basis gold is a function

of changing currency markets and the U.S. dollar. Medium outlook is a lot more to do with geopolitical issues and yields" said Kyle Rodda, a market analyst with IG Markets.

"But the fact that it was overbought-driven very much by a new yield environment, tensions around the world especially around geopolitics, is keeping gold prices elevated."

Gold had hit a 10-month high of \$1,346.73 on Wednesday, but minutes from the Fed's January policy meeting indicated there might in fact be a rate hike this year, erasing gains in gold.

"Dovish signals from U.S. Federal Open Market Committee officials for the shorter term have kept global equities steady whilst applying bearish pressures on the non-interest bearing asset," Phillip Futures said in a note.

Indicative of investor sentiment toward bullion, holdings of SPDR Gold Trust, the world's largest gold-backed exchange-traded fund, dropped 0.63 percent to 789.51 tonnes on Thursday.

Elsewhere, palladium gained nearly 1 percent to \$1,480.96 per ounce, having surpassed the key \$1,500 level for the first time on Feb. 20.

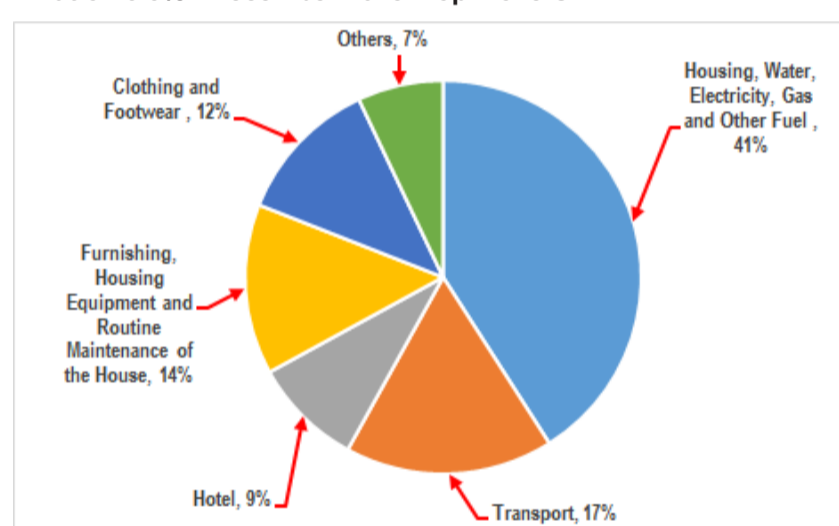
The autocatalyst metal was on track for a third straight week of gains, up nearly 3 percent.

All Share Index :20 Feb 2019

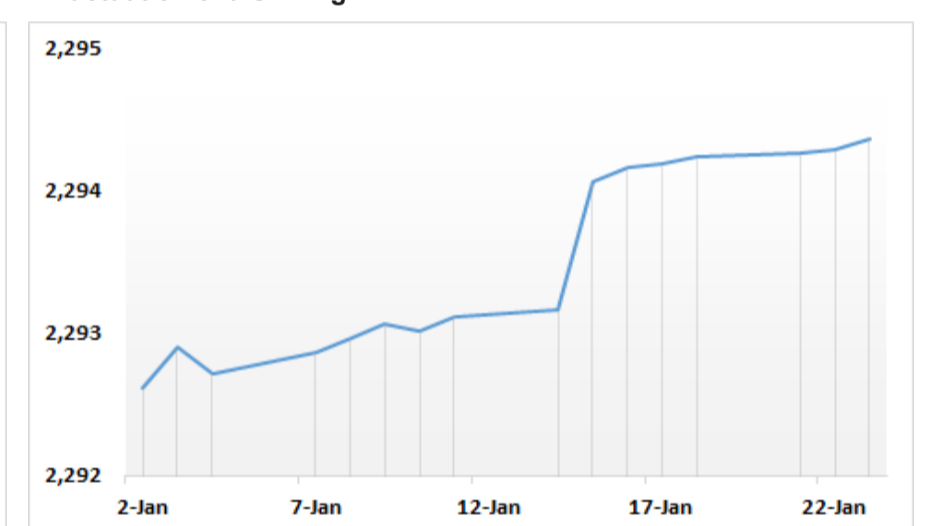
Africa	Actual	Change	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
NSE-All Share	32,516	53.14	-0.16%	30,200	29,845	29,497
FTSE/JSE TOP 40	49,736	530.33	1.08%	47,251	46,556	45,872
JALSH-All Share	56,086	92.76	0.17%	53,361	52,575	51,801
Egypt EGX 30	15,068	78.92	-0.52%	13,909	13,694	13,484
Casablanca CFG 25	11,297	86.14	-0.76%	11,276	11,201	11,127
NSE All Share	154	0.57	-0.37%	149	148	147
Nairobi 20	2,977	28.14	-0.94%	2,935	2,913	2,890
DSEI	2,148	24.93	-1.15%	1,972	1,829	1,695
TUN	7,186	10.44	0.15%	7,205	7,149	7,094
GGSECI	2,425	2.55	-0.11%	2,409	2,387	2,365
NSX Overall	1,366	11.28	0.83%	1,334	1,310	1,287
Gaborone	7,874	0.00	0.00%	7,842	7,809	7,777
SEMDEX	2,207	1.92	-0.09%	2,205	2,197	2,190
Zimbabwe Index	510.21	2.36	0.46%	509.65	493.93	478.62

DSEI increased 48 points or 2.24% to 2148 on Friday February 22 from 2173 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 firm on trade hopes, but record U.S. output drags

LONDON, Feb 22 (Reuters) - Oil prices were firm on Friday, supported by OPEC's ongoing supply cuts and hopes that Washington and Beijing may soon end their trade dispute.

Prices however remained just below 2019 peaks reached earlier this week as U.S. crude oil production hit a record 12 million barrels per day (bpd) and its exports also surged.

International Brent crude futures were at \$67.18 per barrel at 1019 GMT, 8 cents above their last close, but below \$67.38 per barrel reached earlier this week.

U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil futures were at \$57.03 per barrel, up 7 cents, but below this week's \$57.55 per barrel 2019 high.

Traders said prices were lifted by hopes that Washington and Beijing could resolve their trade disputes, which have dented global economic growth, before a March 1 deadline, during negotiations this week.

"We'll just have to watch trade talks in D.C. today. Yesterday, the market was rather dead, volume was low and U.S. data on crude and products was mixed, so the market didn't really react," Olivier Jakob of Petromatrix consultancy said.

"Anything positive today on trade talks will boost the oil price."

Prices have also been supported by supply cuts led by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

OPEC and some non-affiliated producers such as Russia agreed late last year to cut output by 1.2 million bpd to prevent a large supply overhang from growing.

Goldman Sachs said in a note that it expects OPEC output to average 31.1 million bpd in 2019, down from 31.9 million bpd.

At least in part offsetting that is surging U.S. crude oil production which reached 12 million bpd for the first time last week, the Energy Information Administration (EIA) said on Thursday.

That means U.S. crude output has soared by almost 2.5 million bpd since the start of 2018, and by a whopping 5 million bpd since 2013. America is the only country to ever reach 12 million bpd of production.

As output surges, U.S. oil stocks are also rising.

U.S. commercial crude oil inventories rose by 3.7 million barrels to 454.5 million barrels in the week ended Feb. 15, the EIA said.

Analysts say U.S. output will rise further and that oil firms will export more oil to sell off surplus stocks.

"We see total U.S. crude production hitting 13 million bpd by year-end, with 2019 averaging 12.5 million bpd," U.S. bank Citi said following the release of the EIA report.

Fuel Wef. Wednesday, 6th Feb 2019

Town	Petrol (TZS/Litre)	Diesel (TZS/Litre)	Kerosene (TZS/Litre)
Dar es Salaam	2,120	2,080	2,046
Arusha	2,255	2,299	2,286
Kibaha	2,125	2,084	2,050
Dodoma	2,179	2,139	2,105
Geita	2,286	2,245	2,211
Iringa	2,185	2,144	2,110
Kagera (Bukob)	2,336	2,295	2,261
Katawi	2,329	2,288	2,254
Kigoma	2,352	2,311	2,277
Moshi	2,245	2,289	2,276
Lindi	2,110	2,089	2,105
Manyara (Babati)	2,289	2,333	2,320
Mara	2,299	2,258	2,225
Mbeya	2,228	2,187	2,153
Morogoro	2,146	2,105	2,071
Mtwara	2,096	2,075	2,118
Mwanza	2,271	2,230	2,196
Njombe	2,213	2,172	2,138
Rukwa	2,294	2,253	2,219
Sumbawanga	2,294	2,253	2,219
Ruvuma	2,182	2,161	2,169
Shinyanga	2,249	2,209	2,175
Singida	2,211	2,171	2,137
Songwe	2,237	2,196	2,162

Foreign Exchange- Feb 22

	Actual	Chg	%Chg
EURUSD	1.13410	0.0007	0.06%
GBPUSD	1.30520	0.0003	0.02%
AUDUSD	0.71270	0.0035	0.49%
NZDUSD	0.68430	0.0044	0.65%
USDJPY	110.68	0.0100	-0.01%
USDCNY	6.70090	0.0236	-0.35%
USDCHF	1.00010	0.0007	-0.07%
USDCAD	1.31360	0.0094	-0.71%
USDMXN	19.1365	0.1485	-0.77%
USDINR	71.0200	0.1300	-0.18%
USDBRL	3.7482	0.0211	-0.56%
USDRUB	65.3575	0.2335	-0.36%
US Dollar	96.51	0.0980	-0.10%
USDKRW	1,121.99	2.6400	-0.23%

Exchange Rates for 22 / Feb /2019

Currency in 100 Units	Spot Buying	Spot Selling
EAST AFRICAN CURRENCIES		
Kenya SHS	2,275.29	2,293.46
Uganda SHS	58.45	62.63
Rwandan Franc	253.04	256.14
Burundi Franc	218.06	219.71
OTHER SELECTED CURRENCIES		
USD	227,756.44	230,034.00
Pound STG	297,928.19	300,976.49
EURO	258,594.66	261,226.61
Canadian \$	172,896.41	174,612.11
Switz. Franc	227,574.38	229,781.24
Japanese YEN	2,057.24	2,077.62
Swedish Kronor	24,357.94	24,593.62
Norweg. Kronor	26,449.48	26,701.57
Danish Kronor	34,657.16	34,998.40
Australian \$	161,912.05	163,554.17
Indian RPS	3,204.18	3,234.72
Pakistan RPS	1,561.10	1,631.45
Zambian Kwacha	18,900.16	19,201.50
Malawian Kwacha	291.09	311.77
Mozambique-MET	3,620.93	3,651.33
Zimbabwe \$	42.62	43.48
SDR	316,925.36	320,094.61
Gold (T/O)	304,109,503.13	307,178,202.24
S. African Rand	16,317.97	16,473.60
UAE Dirham	62,015.04	62,618.14
Singapore \$	168,471.36	170,093.17
Hong Kong \$	29,024.65	29,313.78
Saudi Arabian Rial	60,731.81	61,334.22
Kuwait Dinar	750,507.25	757,737.66
Botswana Pula	21,477.43	21,876.23
Chinese Yuan	33,912.01	34,234.31
Malaysia Ringgit	55,877.44	56,367.07
South Korea Won	202.59	204.25
Newzealand	155,307.11	156,906.19

World Commodities (\$) 22 February 2019

Energy	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Crude Oil	57.26	0.53%	3.00%	8.82%	-10.01%
Silver	15.916	0.64%	0.89%	3.68%	-4.45%
Brent	67.12	0.07%	1.31%	9.78%	-0.29%
Natural gas	2.717	0.74%	3.50%	-8.83%	2.96%
Gasoline	1.6112	-0.20%	2.44%	16.27%	-11.90%
Heating oil					

WORLD

Experts call for efforts to eradicate Africa's healthcare perils, commend China's support

ADDIS ABABA

AFRICAN healthcare experts and policymakers, who gathered in Ethiopia's capital Addis Ababa as part of a high-level continental meeting, called for collective efforts to effectively eradicate major healthcare perils in Africa.

The experts and policymakers made the joint call during a two-day high-level meeting that brought together the African Union (AU), the Africa Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC), and the World Health Organization (WHO).

The event was aimed to share information on the Ebola virus disease preparedness, vaccines and therapeutics, as well as the spread of major public-health perils.

Deputy Chairperson of the AU, Thomas Kwesi Quartey, told African healthcare experts and policymakers that the disproportionate burden of disease faced by Africa, coupled with inadequate health systems and the shortage of health personnel across the continent, "remained a major challenge."



Deputy Chairperson of the AU, Thomas Kwesi Quartey

"Overcoming these challenges requires collective efforts both for Africa as a continent and our partners to build the Africa we want as articulated in the Agenda 2063," the AU deputy chairperson said.

According to Quartey, Africa must adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to the health problems it is facing, with particular emphasis on the diseases cross-border nature.

Quartey further assured "the strong commitment of the African Union Commission to creating the synergy needed to maximize the impact of our interventions for disease control and prevention in Africa."

Deputy Executive Director of the UN Economic Commission for Africa's (ECA), Giovanni Biha, also stressed that a committed political leadership, institutional strengthening, investments in health systems, community health and awareness are all crucial to the eradication of the disease from the continent.

The ECA deputy chief said "Africa cannot build strong

and resilient health systems without adequately investing in hard and soft health infrastructure, including the provision of right numbers of health personnel both in urban and rural areas."

Biha, who noted that Africa needs to mobilize adequate resources for strong and resilient health systems, also indicated that strategic partnerships, including the role of the private sector, are also critical for a coordinated multi-sectoral response to health challenges in Africa.

She also reiterated the ECA's commitment to health care in Africa within the broad framework of economic and social development.

"As a premier knowledge institution, we are building on our unique position and privilege to bring global solutions to Africa's challenges, including Ebola and taking local solutions to the continent," the deputy executive director said.

The call made by the AU and ECA deputy heads is

also shared by the Chairperson of the Governing Board of Africa CDC, Amir Aman, who urged AU member states as well as its partners to share important and latest information on Ebola and other major healthcare perils.

Aman, who is also Ethiopia's Minister of Health, said that if Africa is to save lives by preventing disease outbreaks "we have to share crucial information because without a healthy population we cannot move the continent forward."

The meeting, which concluded on Saturday, created common understanding about the current state of the Ebola virus disease vaccines and drugs, including evidence and practical considerations for application, it was noted.

Africa's fight against the life-threatening impacts of the Ebola virus, which was widely considered as Africa's major cross-border public-health threat in recent years in particular, was "significantly" backed by the support from China, Director of the Africa CDC, John Nkengasong, told Xinhua on the sidelines of the high-level meeting.

The latest 10th Ebola Virus Outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is said to be the second largest outbreak of the deadly virus, after the outbreak that hit West Africa in 2015.

Speaking of China's contribution to Africa's efforts in taming such problems, Nkengasong said that China has deployed experts in neighboring countries of the DRC, which the director said is "important support to detect and stop the spread of the Ebola virus."

"The Chinese government has deployed experts in neighboring countries in Uganda and other countries," he said. "It is very important that we are focusing not only in DRC but we are also focusing in the neighboring countries, just in case the virus escapes."

He also noted that China has been supporting the Africa CDC which has been taking various activities as part of the response efforts to the latest Ebola outbreak in the DRC.

With regard to China's support to the development of Africa CDC, the director said that two Chinese experts are working together with African experts at the headquarters of Africa CDC to develop the center. **Xinhua**

Russia's top diplomat rules out peace treaty negotiations with Tokyo on Japan's terms

MOSCOW

MOSCOW has not been negotiating a peace treaty with Japan on Tokyo's terms, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said yesterday in an interview to Vietnam's national broadcaster Vietnam Television (VTV), China's CCTV and Phoenix TV.

According to Russia's top diplomat, solving such complicated tasks requires not only creating a proper atmosphere, but also filling economic, political and diplomatic relations with practical contents.

"If we take a look at the real situation, [Japanese Prime Minister] Shinzo Abe, tells the parliament that he plans to solve the peace treaty issue on Japan's terms. Frankly, I have no idea of where this opinion of his comes from," he said.

"Neither Russian President Vladimir Putin, nor me, nor anyone else taking part in Russian-Japanese consultations has ever given our Japanese colleagues grounds for such statements," Lavrov (pictured) continued.

"The fact that on the sidelines of the G20 summit in Singapore Putin and Abe spoke of the need to speed up the work on a peace treaty on the basis of the 1956 declaration, testifies to the opposite: we are negotiating not on Japan's terms, but on terms of this document."

Lavrov said that in order for the peace treaty to be signed, Japan must recognize the results of World War II in their entirety, including Russia's sovereignty over all islands of the Kuril Archipelago including the four islands of the Lesser Kuril Chain.

"It is weird enough that our Japanese colleagues are not willing to accept the results of World War II the way they are sealed by the UN Charter. It says that everything done by the victorious powers is out of discussion," he said.

"Even if the Japanese have their own interpretation of the San Francisco Peace Treaty and other documents related to this region, they had nevertheless ratified the UN charter, and it would be incorrect to withdraw their ratification now."

Commenting on Japan's previously announced plan on signing a framework agree-



ment on a peace treaty during Russian President Vladimir Putin's upcoming visit to the country, Lavrov said he would "prefer it to remain on their conscience."

"There were no agreements, and there can be none, because we have never supported any kind of artificial timeframes created for any problem," Russia's top diplomat continued. "Moreover, none of us has ever seen any kind of framework agreement. I have no idea of what our Japanese colleagues mean."

Lavrov also said that despite Moscow and Tokyo's declared agreement to bring relations to a new level, Japan had joined "a wide range of sanctions against Russia, which can hardly be viewed as a friendly stance."

Besides, Tokyo sides with US on all UN resolutions directed against Moscow and either opposes or abstains as far as projects proposed by Russia are concerned, Lavrov said.

"Generally speaking, Tokyo has been coordinating its UN stance with Washington," he said. "We don't mind Japan cooperating with other states, but the United States has designated Russia - naturally, together with China - as its main adversaries."

Tokyo's plans to hold consultations with Washington on making a peace treaty with Moscow point to Japan's lack of independence, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said in an interview with Vietnam's national broadcaster Vietnam Television (VTV), China's CCTV and Phoenix TV.

"It has been announced recently that US President Donald Trump plans to visit Japan in late May and issues concerning Japan's peace treaty with Russia will be on the agenda. If Japan shows its lack of independence to such an extent, I have nothing more to say."

Agencies

Three ministers throw weight behind Brexit delay to stop no-deal

LONDON

THREE British cabinet ministers publicly indicated on Saturday they will back plans to delay Brexit if lawmakers vote down Prime Minister Theresa May's plan for a new deal with the European Union.

Business minister Greg Clark, work and pensions minister Amber Rudd, and justice minister David Gauke signaled in a Daily Mail column that they will side with rebels and opposition parties next week to stop Britain leaving the European Union without a divorce deal on March 29 if necessary, adding their weight to calls for May to rule out a no-deal departure.

May is struggling against the clock to get a deal with Brussels on Britain's exit from the world's largest trading bloc that will pass parliamentary muster. She will meet European Council President Donald Tusk on the sidelines of an EU-League of Arab States summit on Sunday, but EU diplomats are not expecting any imminent breakthrough.

In the newspaper column headlined "If we don't get a deal next week we must delay Brexit", Clark, Rudd and Gauke wrote that a no-deal exit was a risk to business, security and British territorial unity, and accused some colleagues in parliament of complacency.

"Far from Brexit resulting in a newly independent United Kingdom stepping boldly into the wider world, crashing out on March 29 would see us poorer, less secure and potentially splitting up," they said, referring to



In this Feb 21, 2019 photo, an anti-Brexit protester wearing a European Union flag cap, flies European and Union flags outside the Houses of Parliament in London. (AFP)

the threat of a new bid for Scottish independence from the United Kingdom.

"Our economy will be damaged severely both in the short and the long term. Costs will increase, businesses that rely on just-in-time supply chains will be severely disrupted and investment will be discouraged," they wrote.

The ministers called on members of the European Research Group, formed by Conservative pro-Brexit lawmakers, to back the government's deal in parliament or risk seeing Brexit de-

layed.

But in a further sign of deep division over the issue, May's junior minister for Northern Ireland, John Penrose, wrote a column in the Sunday Telegraph saying removing the option of a no-deal departure on March 29 "could torpedo Brexit completely". Penrose said such a move could lead to further temporary extensions that "would become permanent."

Both May's Conservatives and the main opposition Labour Party are formally committed to delivering Brexit. Labour has recently appeared to soften its

stance on a second referendum, although May has ruled such an option out.

Lawmakers from both parties, however, are deeply split over how or even whether Britain will leave, and no majority has so far emerged in parliament for any comprehensive Brexit strategy.

May has promised that if she does not bring a revised deal back by Feb 27, parliament will have an opportunity to vote on the next steps. Some lawmakers are expected to use that to try to wrest control of the process from the government. **Agencies**

Terrorism, illegal migration to top EU-AL summit - experts

SHARM EL SHEIKH

EGYPTIAN political experts believe that the issues of terrorism and illegal migration are among the most important issues on the European Union (EU)-Arab League (AL) summit which will kick off Sunday evening in Egypt's Sharm el-Sheikh city.

The summit, scheduled on Feb. 24-25, will bring together for the first time heads of states and governments from both sides.

The EU President Donald Tusk will co-chair the meeting with Egyptian President Abdel

Fattah al-Sisi.

Jihan Jado, an expert of European Affairs and member of the local council of Versailles, France, said the problem of refugees and illegal migration is one of the most important topics to be discussed at this summit.

"This issue worries the Europeans and costs the Europeans many economic, political and security burdens," she told Xinhua.

During the summit, the leaders will also discuss the issue of securing the European continent from the threat of terrorism and controlling terrorists whose threats extend from the

Arab region to the European countries.

"The two sides will also discuss the measures that can be taken against some crises, especially in Libya, which is receiving great attention from both sides," she said.

"Egypt, France and Italy also pay great attention to the reconstruction of Arab countries affected by the Arab Spring such as Libya and Syria," she added.

The professor added that one of the topics of the summit is the theme of "investing for stability," where Europe seeks to support stability in the Arab region, especially the countries in crisis.

"Europe aims to inject large investments in these countries. The European continent would prefer to see the Arab region in security and stability, so trade exchange and investments that benefit both sides can keep going and growing," she noted.

"I expect that this summit will produce very important results to determine the priorities of cooperation between the two sides and coordinate positions on many issues, especially in international arenas," the expert said.

She added that the summit will also help both sides take the necessary measures to control

the hot spots in the Arab countries, namely in Libya, Syria and Yemen. "I also believe that a unified vision will be announced by both sides towards Iran, as many Arab and European countries view Iran as an imminent threat to both the European continent and the Arab region," Jado told Xinhua.

Meanwhile, Hani al-Gamal, director of al-Kenana Center for Political and Strategic Studies, said there are several important issues on the agenda of the first EU-AL summit.

One of these topics is developing the bilateral relations between the two sides, especially

in the economic aspect in an attempt to reduce dependence on the United States, al-Gamal said.

"The issue of illegal immigration from the south of the Mediterranean, which worries the European side, especially amid the deteriorating security conditions in Libya and Syria, will also be discussed," he pointed out.

"Fighting terrorism is an issue of common interest for both sides, especially after the series of bombings that rocked different European cities over the past few years and months," the expert told Xinhua.

Al-Gamal said that the Arab countries also need the Europe

support to solve the Palestinian, Syrian and Libyan issues through Europe's backing of Arab solutions on the international level.

"I believe that positive results that will emerge from the summit...we will see more security and intelligence understandings, as well as a common vision between the two sides, especially with regard to American, Iranian and Turkish interventions in Arab affairs," the expert said.

Both sides will also cooperate in the elimination the terrorist groups that are settled in many Arab countries, he added. **Xinhua**

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Switzerland's Belinda Bencic celebrates with a trophy after winning the final against Czech Republic's Petra Kvitová. (Agencies)

Unseeded Bencic upsets Kvitová to lift Dubai title

DUBAI

SWITZERLAND'S Belinda Bencic ended a four-year title drought with a 6-3 1-6 6-2 victory over Petra Kvitová in the final of the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships on Saturday.

Victory gave Bencic, 21, her first win over second seed Kvitová, who had breezed past her in straight sets in the third round of the Australian Open last month.

The win was also Bencic's fourth win over a top-10 player this week after getting past Aryna Sabalenka, Simona Halep and Elina Svitolina in the previous rounds.

"It's unbelievable, it's incredible. I mean, I still cannot believe it," Bencic told reporters

after clinching her first title since she won the Canadian Open in Toronto in 2015.

"I'm so happy about the consistency that I could back up my wins. After playing a tough match, I could mentally win another one; it's very difficult."

Kvitová continued to struggle with her rhythm, as she had during the course of the tournament, hitting only 53 percent of first serves on target in the opening set and she also produced seven double faults.

"I think I played better in Melbourne," Kvitová said. "I think definitely I served much, much better in Melbourne than here."

"(During the) whole tournament I was fighting with my serve. It wasn't really great, I played a lot from the second serve."



Bluefins' swimmer Husain Hassanali in action at the Taliss Championships that took place in Dar es Salaam earlier this year. He will be part of the Bluefins' team which will participate at the Isamilo Gala in Mwanza next weekend. PHOTO: COURTESY OF BLUEFINS CLUB

Bluefins unveils squad for Mwanza swimming tourney

By Correspondent Renatha Msungu

DAR ES SALAAM'S Bluefins Swim Club has announced 29 swimmers that will participate in Mwanza's Isamilo Invitational gala slated for March 1-2.

The two-day event has been organized by Mwanza Swim Club and is expected to attract clubs from across the country. The Isamilo gala is an annual event, which is held at the same venue.

Bluefins' founder and head coach Rahim Alidina said that this is the third major swimming event that Bluefins competes in this year.

The squad also competed in the Morogoro Invitational and the Taliss-IST Championships held earlier this year.

Alidina said the swimming events aim at preparing swimmers for the National Swimming Club Championships to be held in April this year.

"This is part of preparations for our swimmers ahead of the National Swimming Championships which will see swimmers from Mainland Tanzania, Zanzibar and abroad compete for the national honours," he disclosed.

"The championships as well, gives the competitors chance to earn qualifying marks for the FINA World Championships to be held in Korea." He said they expect Bluefins swimmers to beat their times and set new Personal Best Times (PBS) that will help them garner better seeding at the upcoming National Championships.

"Our team has always managed to do well at the Isamilo Championships and we expect to excel in it this year as well. We had won it in 2016 before finishing as runner-up in 2017 and last year."

"We have included young swimmers that are aged seven in the team. They will travel with the team and will participate in the gala in Mwanza so they can experience swimming in the different altitude and weather of the Lake Zone."

"Such trips provide wealthy experience for

young swimmers which may help them adapt well in the future when they go to swim in different places either around the country or outside the country."

Bluefins' swimmers, who will be part of the squad travelling to Mwanza, are Alexis Misabo, Filbertha Demello, Maryam Ipilinga, Viva Pujari, Sarah Shariff, Aminaz Kachra, Fatema Manji, Muskan Gaikwad, Aliyana Kachra, Zainab Moosajee and Lina Goyayi.

The list also includes Moiz Kaderbhai, Idris Zavery, Sahal Harunani, Isaac Mukani, Enrico Barretto, Zac Okumu, Hassan Harunani, Mohamedhussein Imran and Husain Hassanali.

Burhanuddin Mustansir, Ayaan Shariff, Kaysan Kachra, Parth Motichand, Shuneal Bharwani, Sahil Chudasama, Salman Yasser, Christian Fernandes and Revocatus Josephat also make the squad.

R. Kelly bond on sexual assault charges set at \$1 million, due back in court today

CHICAGO

GRAMMY-WINNING singer R. Kelly, who has faced years of sexual abuse allegations, was ordered held on a \$1 million bond on Saturday on charges that he sexually assaulted three teenagers and a woman, as prosecutors offered new details in the case.

In Cook County court, prosecutor Jennifer Gonzalez said Kelly met one of the teenaged victims during his trial on child pornography charges in 2008 when she sought his autograph after a day in court and repeatedly had sex with her between 2009 and 2010. Kelly was acquitted of the child porn charges.

He met another victim at her 16th birthday party, Gonzalez said, and had sex with her in the first of many encounters in 1998 after telling her to take a taxi from school to his recording studio. A third charge is based on a videotape that purportedly shows Kelly and a 14-year-old girl engaged in sexual acts sometime between 1998 and 2001.

The fourth victim was Kelly's hairdresser, then 24, who said Kelly tried to force her to have oral sex in 2003 before ejaculating on her shirt, according to prosecutors. DNA testing linked the sample to Kelly, prosecutors said.

Cook County Judge John Lyke, who called the allegations "disturbing," set bail at \$1 million for Kelly. The singer appeared in a black hooded sweatshirt and looked down as prosecutors outlined the case against him. He was not asked to enter a plea at what was purely a bond hearing, although his lawyer Steven Greenberg has described Kelly as "an innocent man."

The 52-year-old R&B singer, whose real name is Robert Kelly, was charged with a 10-count indictment on Friday, nearly two months after the Lifetime television network aired a six-hour documentary series "Surviving R. Kelly" in which multiple women accused him of sexual misconduct and abuse.

The judge also ordered Kelly not to have contact with anyone under



Star of Mexican film 'Roma' prompts raw discussion of race, class

MEXICO CITY

THE Oscar-nominated film "Roma," which chronicles the life of a young housekeeper in 1970s Mexico, has put an uneasy focus on the nation's sharp class, ethnic and racial divisions, leading to mixed reactions to the indigenous woman cast in the starring role.

Yalitza Aparicio, who is nominated in the Best Actress category in Sunday's Academy Awards, has appeared on the cover of "Vogue," attracted over a million Instagram followers and been celebrated with a towering mural in her likeness over a humble district in Mexico City.

With her bronze skin and short stature, the 25-year-old woman from a poor indigenous family in southern Mexico has for many become a symbol of pride. She cuts a stark contrast to the pale women and men with European features who dominate Mexican television and film, despite representing only a sliver of Mexico's overwhelmingly mestizo and indigenous population.

But reactions to Aparicio's leap to fame after her powerful portrayal of a young domestic worker for a middle-class family in "Roma," which is directed by Alfonso Cuarón and nominated for 10 Oscars, have also exposed

how deeply prejudice is ingrained.

A telenovela actor disparaged her with crude, racially-charged language, one of many offensive remarks following her Oscar nomination that were especially prevalent on social media. When leading society magazine *Hola!* featured Aparicio on a recent cover, the actress' skin appeared to have been digitally lightened.

Although Hollywood has been forced to confront its lack of diversity amid #OscarsSoWhite criticism in recent years, Mexico's film industry has rarely turned the mirror on itself.

"We're uncorking this racism that we've been carrying around for centuries," said Itza Varela Huerta, a post-doctoral researcher studying indigenous and Afro-Mexican groups at the Center for Research and Advanced Studies in Social Anthropology in southern Oaxaca state, where Aparicio grew up.

"When we're with an indigenous person, it's always: she doesn't know anything, she can't do anything, she's not pretty, she doesn't know how to act."

The stereotype-busting actress was studying for her teaching degree in the small town of Tlaxiaco when Cuarón discovered her at a local casting call.

R. Kelly indictment is latest case fueled by TV documentaries

LOS ANGELES

FOR years, singer R. Kelly has denied sexual abuse allegations against him and Friday's felony indictment of the performer was delivered weeks after first-person accounts of several accusers aired on television, leading prosecutors to urge potential witnesses to come forward.

The Lifetime network's "Surviving R. Kelly," which aired in early January, marked the latest in a series of TV documentaries that helped spur criminal investigations of prominent figures, from the late pop star Michael Jackson to multimillionaire real estate scion Robert Durst.

As with Jackson, who was charged and ultimately acquitted of child molestation in 2005, and Durst, now awaiting trial on a murder charge, allegations against Kelly were brought into sharper focus when presented as the subject of a made-for-TV narrative.

"Art turns data into experience," Robert Thompson, a Syracuse University professor of popular culture, said of Lifetime's treatment of the sexual misconduct accounts that had surrounded Kelly.

"When you see those stories

embodied in actual human beings, with pretty unrelenting closeups (of interview subjects), that has a rhetorical power that exceeds just the facts," he said.

The six-hour Lifetime program, aired over three nights, featured interviews with more than 50 people, including seven women identified on camera as victims of sexual and emotional abuse by Kelly, some when they were underage.

Among those interviewed were his ex-wife, Drea Kelly, the R&B singer's former managers, record producers and others once close to him. The program has had more than 20 million U.S. viewers, Lifetime said.

The documentary also added fuel to the social media movement #MuteRKelly, launched in late 2017 to pressure record companies, concert promoters and others to cut ties with the artist.

At a news conference after the program debuted, Cook County State Attorney Kim Foxx called for anyone alleging abuse by the Grammy-winning star to come forward to authorities.

On Friday, he was charged with 10 counts of sexual abuse involving four alleged victims, three of them under

the age of 18 and to surrender his passport. Each count carries a maximum of 10 years in prison.

Kelly is due back in court on Monday when a trial judge is expected to be assigned, a spokesman for the Cook County Sheriff's Office said. Greenberg told reporters that he expected his client to secure his release sometime over the weekend and described Kelly as "devastated," even as he also denied the charges.

"We haven't seen any evidence, any reason to believe these allegations are credible," Greenberg said. "He's a rock star. He doesn't need to have nonconsensual sex."

The video in question was apparently obtained by lawyer Michael Avenatti, known for representing porn star Stormy Daniels in her legal battle against President Donald Trump. Avenatti said he represents two victims and turned the tape over to authorities.

Kelly, best known for his hit single "I Believe I Can Fly," has for years denied accusations of abuse. In 1994, he married his 15-year-

old protege, the singer Aaliyah, a union that was annulled months later because of her age. Aaliyah died in a plane crash in 2001.

The 2008 child pornography case stemmed from a video purportedly showing Kelly having sex with an underage girl. A jury acquitted Kelly after concluding it could not be certain whether Kelly and the girl were the people shown in the video.

"Surviving R. Kelly" touched off a new controversy when it debuted in January, prompting his record label, Sony Music-owned RCA, to end its relationship with the performer. "We are proud that Lifetime was able to provide a platform for survivors to be heard," Lifetime said in a statement on Friday.

Kelly, a three-time Grammy winner whose hits also include "Bump N' Grind" and "Your Body's Callin'," grew up in a Chicago public housing project where, according to his autobiography, he was sexually abused beginning at age 8.

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case ended with a California jury finding the singer not guilty on all counts.

Similarly, Durst's own words came back to haunt him in the 2015 HBO documentary "The Jinx," which examined connections between the enigmatic heir and several slayings, including the unsolved disappearance and presumed murder of his wife in 1982. He was acquitted in 2003 in the killing and dismemberment of a Texas neighbor two years earlier.

But his arrest on a charge of murdering his longtime confidante, Los Angeles writer Susan Berman, coincided with broadcast of "The Jinx" finale, in which his voice was captured on microphone, muttering off-camera: "What the hell did I do? Killed them all, of course."

Prosecutors have since cited Durst's recorded statement in court filings in their case against him.

Despite the role true-crime documentaries have sometimes played in "lubricating the wheels of justice," in the end they belong to the realm of entertainment, Thompson said. "We have to let justice be served by the rule of law."

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Three-goal Messi says Barca back to their best

SEVILLE

LIONEL Messi said Barcelona were back to their best following a mid-season slump after he scored a remarkable 50th career hat-trick in a rousing 4-2 win at Sevilla in La Liga on Saturday.

Barca had only won one of five games in February as they kicked off at the Sanchez Pizjuan stadium but after another landmark day, Messi pledged his side would now go all out for a 'treble' of La Liga, Copa del Rey and Champions League trophies.

Having been held to a goalless draw at Olympique Lyonnais in their Champions League last-16 first leg on Tuesday, Barca looked set for another disappointing result when Jesus Navas gave Sevilla the lead.

Yet Messi responded with a stunning volley and although Gabriel Mercado put Sevilla in front again before halftime, Barca's captain again hauled his team back into the game quite brilliantly.

His thumping strike from just inside the area saw Barca equalise midway through the second half before he put them ahead with an ice-cool dinked finish in the 85th minute and then laid on the pass for Luis Suarez to seal all three points.

"Today, we were ourselves again and we produced a great performance," Messi told reporters.

"We went through a spell where, to be honest, we did not play our best football so that made it much

harder for us to score.

"You have different moments over a season, and we can't always play at the highest level. But when we manage to get the play to flow, things always happen for us."

Barca's inconsistent results have not harmed their bid to successfully defend the La Liga title and the thrilling win extended their lead at the top of the table to 10 points over nearest challengers Atletico Madrid.

"There is still a long way to go in the season but it was very important to win here and keep the distance with our rivals," added Messi, who leads the scoring charts in Spain and in Europe's top five leagues with 25 goals.

"It's always tough to win here, we know what it is like to come to this stadium and how good Sevilla's players are, they made things very hard for us by taking the lead but we knew how to overcome all that."

Barca now face back-to-back trips to arch rivals Real Madrid, with a Copa del Rey semi-final second leg on Wednesday followed by a league visit back at the Santiago Bernabeu next Saturday.

"Now we have some very difficult games coming up and everything will get harder as the season draws to a close," Messi said.

"We won't give up in any competition. We are one step from reaching the Cup final. That game is going to be very tough because it's against Madrid, in their stadium. **REUTERS**

Pochettino concedes Spurs not 'real contenders' for title

BURNLEY, England

TOTTENHAM manager Mauricio Pochettino all but conceded his team's title hopes were over after they fell to a 2-1 defeat at Burnley on Saturday.

"I said, for me this game is going to be key to put pressure on our opponents. If we didn't win, we cannot put pressure and we cannot think now of being a real contender. It is a massive opportunity lost for us," said the Argentine.

Pochettino vented his frustration at referee Mike Dean in a furious confrontation at the end of the game but he said that the blame for the loss lay squarely at his team.

"You want to win for the emotion, you know how important was the game and when you feel so disappointed and upset, you make some mistakes," he said.

"We made some mistakes on the pitch and I made some mistakes afterwards on the pitch. I need to go to the dressing room and drink some water but what happened, happened. We need to see inside ourselves," added the Spurs boss who said he might apologise to the referee.

Pochettino is likely to face an FA charge over his behaviour at the conclusion.

"I think I am going to accept everything that can happen from the FA. The thing happened on the pitch and I hope that it's not going (any) further."

Spurs remain five points behind leaders Manchester City and Liverpool but missed a chance to put some real pressure on the top two.

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Leicester City part company with manager Puel

LONDON

PREMIER League side Leicester City said on Sunday they have parted company with manager Claude Puel, with the club sitting 12th in the league standings.

Puel, 57, had been unable to get Leicester out of a recent slump with the club losing five of their last six league matches, and a 4-1 defeat at home to Crystal Palace on Saturday compounded their misery.

"The club would like to thank Claude for his efforts in leading the team during his 16 months in the role and wish him well in his future career," Leicester said in a statement.

"Assistant manager Jacky Bonnevey also departs with the club's best wishes.

"First team coaches Mike Stowell and Adam Sadler, supported by the club's established backroom staff, will assume responsibility for the senior squad

while the club begins the process of appointing a new manager."

Puel had been appointed Leicester manager in October 2017 when they were 14th in the standings and the Frenchman led the club to a ninth-placed finish in his first season.

Although the club were in seventh place at the turn of the year, they had a dismal start to 2019, suffering four consecutive home defeats.

Earlier this month, Peter Schmeichel, father of Leicester keeper Kasper, said the club did not have a manager capable of getting the best out of the players and indicated that his son might be looking to move.

Leicester's Jamie Vardy had also been critical of Puel's style of play this season although Puel said there was no rift with the striker.

Leicester's next game is a league trip to Brighton & Hove Albion on Tuesday. **REUTERS**

'Decisive' Messi downs Sevilla with 50th career hat-trick

SEVILLE, Spain

LIONEL Messi scored his 50th career hat-trick to fire Barcelona to a 4-2 win at Sevilla on Saturday after the champions had twice fallen behind, giving the Catalans a 10-point lead at the top of La Liga.

Sevilla, who have only won once in the league in 2019, took the lead midway through the first half through veteran winger Jesus Navas but were soon pegged back by an unstoppable volley from Messi.

The home side capitalised on sleepy defending from Barca to re-take the lead before halftime as Gabriel Mercado pounced in the area.

Barca coach Ernesto Valverde made two attacking changes at the start of the second period by introducing Ousmane Dembele and Sergi Roberto and got the intended reaction when the France winger laid the ball off to Messi just inside the area and the Argentine lashed it into the top corner.

Messi, who has struggled for form in recent weeks due to a niggling injury, looked on a mission to grab the winner and after twice coming close he completed his treble to put Barca ahead in the 85th minute, reacting quickly to a poor Sevilla clearance to dink the ball over goalkeeper Tomas Vaclik. Luis Suarez made sure of the points by scoring deep in stoppage time, chipping Vaclik after being played through by a pass from Messi.

Barca lead the standings on 57 points after 25 games while second-placed Atletico Madrid have 47 but can reduce the gap back to seven when they host Villarreal on Sunday. Sevilla fell to fifth, slipping out of the Champions League places behind Getafe.

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"Messi is decisive and superlative, every team has decisive players but we have the



Barcelona's Lionel Messi scores their third goal to complete his hat-trick during the La Liga Santander match between Sevilla and FC Barcelona, at Ramon Sanchez Pizjuan, in Seville, Spain, on Saturday. Reuters

best in the world," said Barca coach Ernesto Valverde.

"It's not just his goals either, but because he always delivers in the right place at the right time." Sevilla had endured a humiliating 3-0 loss at struggling Villarreal last week but before the game Valverde warned of the Andalusians' outstanding record at their Sanchez Pizjuan, where they had thrashed Real Madrid 3-0 and beaten Barca 2-0 in the Copa del Rey this season.

They took the lead through a lightning quick counter-attack as Wissam Ben Yedder marauded down the pitch and played

in Navas, who took one touch to control and the other to slide the ball through the legs of the diving Gerard Pique and beyond the outstretched Marc-Andre ter Stegen into the bottom corner.

Sevilla's intensity prevented Barca from replicating their usual slick passing game and it took a superb goal from Messi to pull them level, the Argentine swivelling to meet a cross from Ivan Rakitic on the volley, leaving Vaclik with no chance.

Sevilla are Messi's favourite victims, and last year he came off the bench to score twice in two minutes and rescue a 2-0 draw from 2-0 down.

He went one better this time and has now scored 36 times in 37 games against the Andalusians.

"It's always tough to win here, we know what it is like to come to this stadium and how good Sevilla's players are, they made things very hard for us by taking the lead but we knew how to overcome all that," Messi added.

It was his 44th hat-trick for Barca, with 32 coming in La Liga, eight in the Champions League, three in the Copa del Rey and one in the Spanish Super Cup. He has also struck six trebles for Argentina.

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Mbappe: 'Scoring goals and breaking records is what drives me'

PARIS

PARIS Saint-Germain superstar Kylian Mbappe now has 51 Ligue 1 goals after his brace in the 3-0 win over Nimes at Parc des Princes on Saturday and the France international admitted that he is motivated to set new records.

Christopher Nkunku put PSG ahead in the first half but Mbappe added a second-half brace to ensure the three-point haul for Thomas Tuchel's men who took a provisional 17-point lead at the top of Le Championnat.

"I work every day to help my team as much as possible," said Mbappe after the final whistle. "I want to enjoy my football because it is great fun. Scoring goals and breaking records is what drives me." Mbappe, 20, also praised Tuchel for his role in the victory, citing the German manager's desire for relentless attack and effort as the reason for his and his teammates' impressive form and performances this season.

"The coach transmits [and] motivates us to never give up and to always keep going forward," Mbappe said. "We have players that run for the full 90 minutes - we do it for him, as well as the supporters.

"We are working well. We have come a long way and we still have a long way to go - we need to continue like this."

Tuchel himself was dissatisfied by his team's finishing against Nimes and wanted more goals, particularly from Mbappe, although he did recognise their improved second-half showing.

"We had a lot of chances to score throughout the game," said the coach. "We could have won by more - Kylian could have scored five goals!"

"Perhaps we lacked a little concentration, but I think we played really well and defended high up the pitch.

"The second half was exceptional. It was a great win - the team got stronger and stronger as the game wore on."

Midfielder Marco Verratti, who assisted Nkunku's opener, expressed his delight that his teammate has already reached a half-century of Ligue 1 goals.

"The most important thing is that Kylian keeps getting opportunities," the Italy international said. "Right now, we are managing to find him.

"Kylian is even more decisive when played through the middle and we are happy with that - I am really pleased that he has already reached 50 Ligue 1



Kylian Mbappe

goals." Next up for Mbappe, Verratti and PSG are Dijon at home in the Coupe de France quarterfinals next Tuesday.

Meanwhile, thieves broke into the home of Paris Saint-Germain's Dani Alves and stole luxury watches while the defender played in a match earlier this week, L'Equipe reported

on Saturday.

Burglars entered Alves' house in Neuilly-sur-Seine, just outside Paris, while he played in a Ligue 1 match against Montpellier on Wednesday.

The report said they broke in through a first-floor window that had been left open,

with a number of watches taken.

Alves is the third PSG player to be targeted by thieves in recent months, L'Equipe said, with the homes of teammates Eric Maxim Choupo-Moting and Thiago Silva broken into during matches in November and December. **(AGENCIES)**

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Dar es Salaam residents turn up at Mlimani City mall to pick their race numbers for Kilimanjaro Premium Lager Marathon 2019 scheduled to take place in Moshi next Sunday. The number collection exercise will be held at the Kibo Palace Hotel at the Kibo Palace Hotel in Arusha today and tomorrow. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT

Hundreds turn up for Kili Marathon number collection

By Guardian Reporter

AS hundreds of Dar es Salaam residents turned up at the Mlimani City mall over the weekend to collect their running numbers for the much awaited Kilimanjaro Premium Lager Marathon 2019, the exercise moves to Arusha today and tomorrow.

A statement issued by the race's organizers immediately after completion of the exercise in Dar es Salaam, said the turnout was encouraging just as the online registration.

"This is the first time we have fully used online registration and Tigopesa and the response is overwhelming," the statement said in part.

One of the participants, Mohamed Said, said: "This online registration has made number collection easy as I have hardly spent 10 minutes here and I got my number. Other marathons must emulate this."

"I thought I would spend the whole day here for this exercise but within seven minutes I had my number, this is so encouraging," Grace Matiku, another participant, disclosed.

The exercise involved collection of numbers for the Kilimanjaro Premium Lager 42km race and Tigo 21km race and registration of the Grand Malt 5km Fun Run.

The number collection exercise in Arusha will take place at the Kibo Palace Hotel from 14:00 to 20:00 and there will be registration for fun run on a cash only basis.

In Moshi, race number collection will take place at Keys Hotel on February 27 (10:00 - 17:00) and February 28 (10:00 - 20:00) where runners that pre-entered for the full and half marathon, and fun run will collect their numbers and there will be registration for the fun run as well.

"We will also allocate March 1 (10:00 - 17:00) and March 2 (9:00 - 12:00) for outstanding race number collection only for full marathon, half marathon and fun run for pre-entered only. There will be no registration at all during these two days and none on race day (Sunday 3 March)," the organisers said.

They noted that they will not be responsible for those who will travel to Moshi after the numbers are all sold because participants had ample time to pre-register and pre-pay.

Kibo Palace Senior Marketing and Sales Manager, Patricia Maina, said they are all set for the exercise and are proud to partner with Kilimanjaro Marathon once again.

"Apart from being water tables sponsors of the event, we are glad to host the number collection exercise and registration of 5km Fun Run," she said, adding that they are all geared to take part in the Corporate Challenge.

Sponsors for this year's event include Kilimanjaro Premium Lager-42 KM, Tigo-21 KM Half Marathon, Grand Malt 5 KM Fun Run and water table sponsors and partners KK Security, Keys Hotel, Kilimanjaro Water, TPC Sugar, Simba Cement, AAR, Kibo Palace, Barclays Bank, Precision Air and CMC Automobiles.

We will also allocate March 1 (10:00 - 17:00) and March 2 (9:00 - 12:00) for outstanding race number collection only for full marathon, half marathon and fun run for pre-entered only. There will be no registration at all during these two days and none on race day (Sunday 3 March)

Zahera committed to coaching Yanga

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

YANGA head coach, Mwinyi Zahera, has dismissed rumours linking him to Azam FC, saying he is committed to his current job.

The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) gaffer, who is enjoying a good spell at the Jangwani Street-based side, said there are no discussions going on between him and Azam FC management regarding the possibility of taking over from Hans Plujim, who was sacked by Azam FC on Saturday.

News of Zahera replacing Plujim went viral on social media after Azam FC had parted ways with the Belgian tactician and his assistant, Juma Mwambusi, due to poor run of form in the league.

"Our coach is committed to the club and rumours linking him to any other club is not true, you should disregard them," said a message on Yanga's Instagram page.

Azam are currently placed second in the league's table with 50 points from 24 games. They have not recorded any win in the previous five matches in the league and the meeting between the outfit's coaches and the club management was held following the 3-1 defeat to Simba on Friday.

In the past five game, the team slackened on game intensity as they drew 1-1 with Alliance FC and went on to record the same results in matches against Lipuli FC and Coastal Union.

Azam then lost 1-0 to Prisons and the former then succumbed to 3-1 loss to Simba SC but the loss to Simba appears to have been the final straw on the two coaches.

Coach Plujim guided the team to 14 wins, eight draws and three losses. Many fans looked to have taken the news seriously after Zahera was reported on some media outlets claiming that he is to resign from his post at the end of this season.

Zahera is reported to have said so due to frustration by his club failure to work closely with him and act on his recommendations.

Another coach who is also linked to Azam is former Mbao FC head coach, Etienne Ndayiragije, who is currently heading Kinondoni Municipal Council FC technical bench. However, efforts to get the coach's side of the story proved futile. Coach Plujim who has guided Azam to 25 matches and helped the side win the 2019 Mapinduzi Cup, on Saturday confirmed that he has been dismissed from his post and wished the club well.

The coach on Friday lead his team to his final assignment against Simba SC and in a post-match interview, he hailed his players for playing well, but said they failed to score.

He said he was not bothered by speculations that he will be fired, saying coaches are hired to be fired.

Azam on Saturday thanked the two coaches for their contribution to the club. Meanwhile the outfit has announced that it has appointed youth teams' coaches, Abdul Minganga and Iddi Cheche, to head the technical bench on temporarily basis.



Yanga players pose for picture prior to taking part in the 2019 SportPesa Cup tournament played in Dar es Salaam recently.

Yanga progress to Azam Sports Federation Cup quarterfinals

By Guardian Reporter

YANGA have booked a place in the last eight stage of this year's Azam Sports Federation Cup (ASFC), posting a 1-0 win over Namungo FC at the latter's venue, Majaliwa Stadium, in Lindi yesterday.

Yanga had to deploy all skills at their disposal to register the victory given Namungo FC put an enterprising showing and got good opportunities in either half of the match.

Namungo FC had a meaningful opportunity during the early stages of the game as an effort by forward Lucas Kikoti from close range went inches wide.

Midfielder Ibrahim Ajibu's effort from outside Namungo FC area went off target on the 16th minute as Yanga went in search of an opener.

Namungo FC keeper Adam Oseja made a timely save a minute later to frustrate Yanga winger Mrisho Ngassa, who had sped into the area to attempt to connect a cross from the right.

Namungo FC defender Hamis Fakhi came

to his side's rescue on the 19th minute when he foiled an attack initiated by Ajibu from the left side.

Yanga forward Heritier Makambo blasted a left foot shot off target from outside Namungo area during the closing stages of the first stanza as the former continued to press for an opener.

Neither team had managed to score when the opening 45 minutes ended.

Yanga went close after the restart in which Ngassa dribbled past Namungo FC defender within the latter's area and unleashed a low strike, which was saved by Oseja.

Yanga got a free kick a few meters from Namungo FC area two minutes later, Ajibu though could only blast the ball over.

Namungo FC central defender Daniel Joram made a timely clearance to frustrate one of Yanga players that had whipped in a pinpoint cross on the 51st minute.

Namungo FC will live to remember a good opportunity they got on the 60th minute as forward Reliants Lusajo made his way into Yanga's area, the forward though failed to beat Kindoki.

Namungo went close on the 77th minute when Kindoki made a timely save to frustrate striker Hashim Manyanya that had unleashed a shot from close range.

Makambo netted the opener for Yanga on the 82nd minute, heading in an inviting cross whipped in by second half substitute, Deus Kaseke.

Yanga right Fullback Paul Godfrey made a timely clearance on the 86th minute to frustrate Namungo FC forward that had sped into the area to try to poke the ball.

Yanga wasted a good chance during the added on time, as they won a free a few meters from Namungo FC's box, midfielder Feisal Salum's effort disappointingly went begging.

Yanga have joined Kinondoni Municipal Council FC, Kagera Sugar and Singida United into the last eight stage of the tournament.

Kinondoni Municipal Council FC, Kagera Sugar and Singida United cruised to wins over Mtibwa Sugar, Boma FC and Coastal Union respectively in the fifth round matches which were held last weekend.

Flexibles by David Chikoko



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17:55 KURASA
18:00 eNewz
18:30 Music
19:00 EATV SAA 1
19:30 MJADALA
21:00 UJENZI
21:30 SSPORTS LIVE
22:30 BONGO HITS

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