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My support for Uhuru is not a political debt, DP Ruto says

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DEPUTY President William Ruto (pictured) has said his support for President Uhuru Kenyatta in the 2013 and 2017 elections was not a political debt that should be paid by Central Kenya when he runs for the top seat in 2022.

Speaking at a time when a sizeable section of the vote-rich region has vowed not to support him in the 2022 State House race, saying they owed him nothing, Ruto said that the debate is unnecessary.

"There has been debate doing rounds on who owes who what... I want to remind leaders what Paul says in Romans 13:8; 'Owe no man nothing except the debt of love for one another,'" Ruto said.

"That is the debt that all of us have, to love one another; no person, no community, no section of Kenya, owes anybody, including myself, anything."



'The (only) debt that all of us have is to love one another; no person, no community, no section of Kenya, owes anybody, including myself, anything'

The deputy president was speaking yesterday at the All Saints Cathedral in Nairobi where he donated Sh8 million and pledged Sh2 million more for the construction of a Sh1 billion children and teen centre.

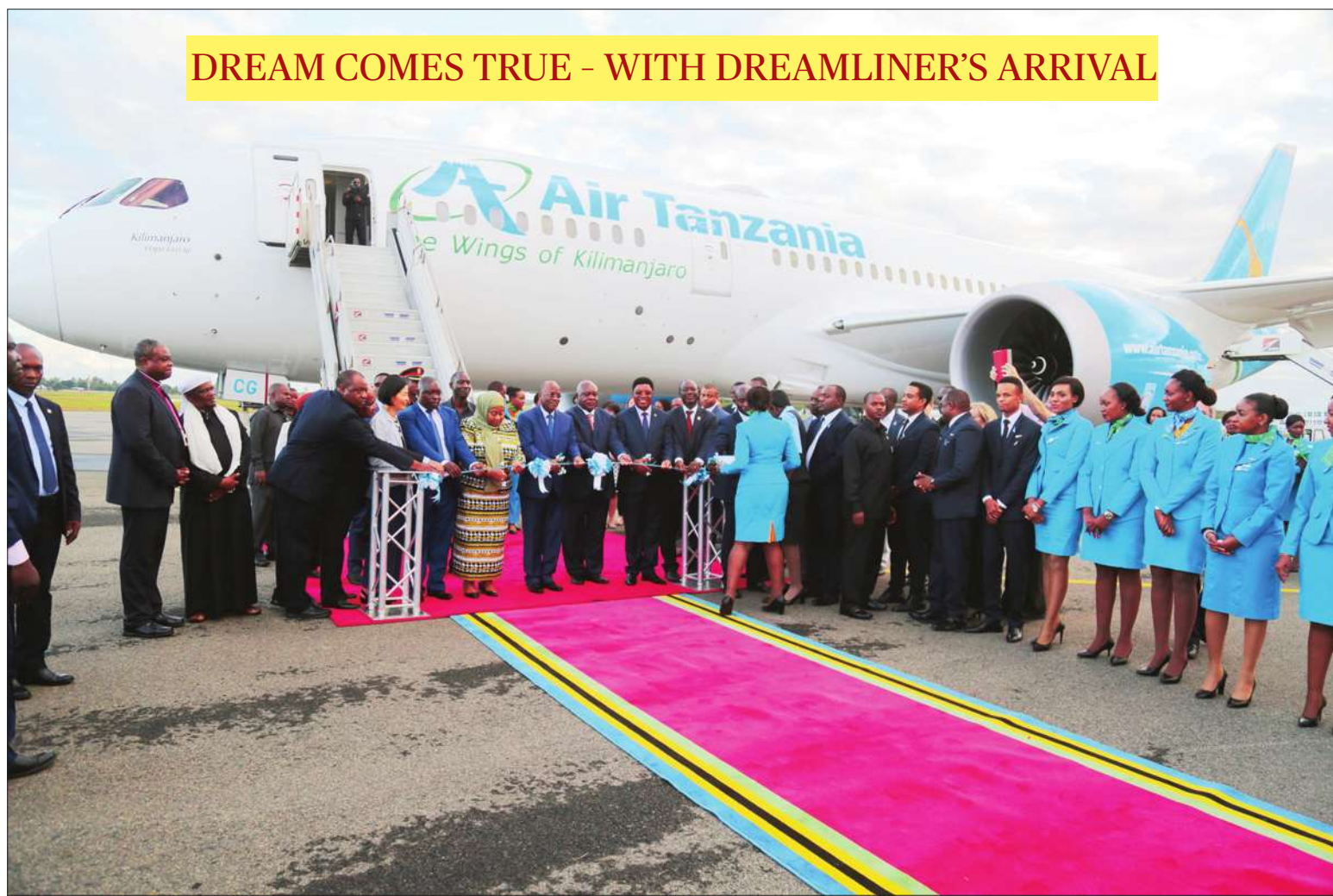
The only debt that should be paid in full, the DP said, is that of leaders who promised to deliver after the elections.

Talk of political debt and whether or not Central Kenya - President Kenyatta's support base - are obligated to vote for Ruto in 2022 following what is said to be an agreement in 2013 for his boss to back him in his State House bid has hit headlines in the recent past, with the Jubilee Party divided almost in the middle on the issue.

Last week, a Gikuyu song titled Hatuna deni ya mtu (We owe nobody a debt) was circulated online, presumably as a continuation of talk on whether the second in command deserves a shot at the presidency and whether the Central

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Revealed: Almost half of Dar's water supply goes to waste owing to 'leaks'



President John Magufuli cuts a ribbon alongside Vice President Samia Suluhu Hassan, Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa and other senior government officials at Julius Nyerere International Airport in Dar es Salaam yesterday moments after the arrival of the latest addition to the state-owned Air Tanzania Company Limited fleet - a Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner. Photo: State House

Second ATCL Dreamliner will be here by January 2020 - Magufuli

By Guardian Reporter

ANOTHER Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner jet plane will be arriving in the country by early 2020 to further boost the state-owned national carrier Air Tanzania Corporation Limited (ATCL), President John Magufuli confirmed yesterday.

The president was speaking at yesterday's special welcome function for the first Dreamliner at the Julius Nyerere International Airport (JNIA) in Dar es Salaam, where it touched down at around 5 pm following a direct flight from Seattle in the United States.

"We have already made an advance payment on the second Dreamliner and its construction is ongoing... we expect its arrival in January 2020," Magufuli said.

The aircraft, which is valued at \$224.6 million (over 500 billion/-), is one of seven planes



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procured by the government on behalf of ATCL, and the fourth to have already arrived in the country.

Three Bombardier Q400 turboprop planes of Canadian make are already plying domestic routes within the country, while another Q400 and at least two Bombardier CS300 jetliners with 130-passenger capacities each are expected to arrive by November this year.

The president described yesterday's event as a significant milestone in the fifth phase government's efforts to revive the once-ailing, state-owned airline and enable it to compete in the local and international aviation industries.

"These planes will help to attract more tourists to Tanzania, as we have seen in other nations with strong airlines like Egypt, South Africa and Kenya, among others," he said, adding: "Most tourists prefer air transport, and we have decided as a

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Authorities attribute the loss of nearly 44 per cent of the precious liquid every day to dilapidated water pipes, as revenue losses mount up to 48bn/- per year

By Felister Peter

RECENTLY-appointed Water and Irrigation minister Prof Makame Mbarawa yesterday tasked the Dar es Salaam Water and Sewerage Corporation (DAWASCO) to reduce water leakages that amount to revenue losses of at least 4 billion/- per month.

"Nearly 44 percent of all produced water is lost every day. DAWASCO should work to fix this problem so more people can get water and government revenues may be boosted," the minister said after inspecting the 275 billion/- Upper Ruvu Water Treatment Plant expansion project in Coast region.

He noted that with the plant's expansion now complete, water being pumped out has shot up from 73 million litres to 210 million litres per day.

Prof Mbarawa commended the Dar es Salaam Water and Sewerage Authority (DAWASA) for ably supervising the multi-billion-shilling project which will allow more than 1.7 million people to access clean and safe water.

He stressed that more efforts must be made to get the 40 million-plus litres still needed to meet the daily water demand of 544 litres for Dar es Salaam and Coast regions combined. Currently, DAWASA produces 502 million litres of water per day.



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The minister assured residents of Kibamba, Kiluyva and some areas of Kibaha-Mailu Moja in Coast region that reliable clean water services will become readily available by the end of next month.

Representing the DAWASCO chief executive officer, the corporation's technical manager Shaban Mkwanye said various interventions have been made to reduce water loss which accounted for 57 per cent in 2015 but is now down to 44 per cent.

According to Eng. Mkwanye, the plan is to reduce it to 30 per cent by 2020. He attributed the water loss to poor, dilapidated water pipe infrastructure, and revenue losses to the inefficiency of some water meters.

"We need to replace the old water meters to ensure better efficiency and proper billing... most of the water is lost due to errors in our water usage measuring devices," he said.

DAWASA chief executive officer Dr Suphian Masasi said a 9.5bn/- project is in the pipeline to take water to industrial areas in Chalinze and other parts of Coast region, including the Sayona fruit plant in Mboga area.

The 53-kilometer project will be implemented by local engineers from DAWASA in seven months, Dr Masasi said, adding: "We have already completed the feasibility study, and some of the equipment is already in the country."

He assured industrial investors in both Dar es Salaam and Coast regions of the coming availability of reliable water services for their factories.

Father and son die together from suffocation in borehole at village

By Correspondent Ambrose Wantaigwa, Tarime

A VILLAGE community in Tarime district, Mara region, is mourning the death of a man and his son from suffocation after they were trapped inside a 60-foot borehole over the weekend.

A group of volunteer rescuers, trying to retrieve the body of the boy who had fallen into the borehole in Buriba village on Saturday



morning, was shocked to find the similarly lifeless body of the boy's father in the same hole.

According to local authorities, the middle-aged father identified as Zacharia Senda had risked his life to climb into the borehole in an attempt to save his 12-year old son named Kelvin Zacharia after the boy became trapped inside.

Buriba village chairman Juma Mkeha said the boy fell into the borehole while trying to retrieve

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Natural Resources and Tourism minister Dr Hamisi Kigwangalla (L) moves cautiously on tricky terrain as he approaches Kalambo Falls, a rare natural attraction located in Rukwa Region. Photo courtesy of Natural Resources and Tourism ministry

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government to invest heavily in this sector."

The recently-appointed Minister for Works, Transport and Communication, Isack Kamwelwe, said the just-arrived Dreamliner will begin its international routes schedule with flights to Mumbai, India from early September.

"All the seven planes we have procured are state properties, so ATCL will have to make proper use of them while offering quality services," the minister stated.

Initially, ATCL will fly three times

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a week to Bujumbura, Burundi via Kigoma, and four times a week to Entebbe, Uganda via Kilimanjaro, to fill a critical void in the regional transport market and enhance regional economic integration.

The state-owned airline currently flies to Arusha, Dar es Salaam,

Kigoma, Mbeya, Mtwara, Mwanza, Tabora, and Moroni in the Comoros, increasing its market share from single to double digits in less than two years despite still flying fewer seats than rival airlines.

Yesterday's welcome ceremony for the new Dreamliner was also attended

by high-ranking state and private sector leaders including Vice President Samia Suluhu, Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa, Chief of Defence Forces General Venance Mabeyo, Chief Secretary Ambassador John Kijazi, and Tanzania Private Sector Foundation chairman Dr Reginald Mengi.

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Kenya bloc is indebted to cast the ballot in his favour.

So strong are the emotions in both camps that nominated Senator Isaac Mwaura told NTV last week that leaders are being asked to choose between "Kieleweke" (let it be understood) and "Tangatanga" (loitering) camps.

"Tangatanga," he said, stood for those rooting for Ruto's presidential ambitions, while "Kieleweke", which was invented by Nyeri Town MP Ngunjiri Wambugu, a known Ruto critic, stands for President Kenyatta's Big Four agenda and national unity in the context of post-March 9 dispensation after the famous "handshake" between the President and opposition leader Raila Odinga.

It was the same reference made by nominated MP Maina Kamanda on Saturday when he warned a section of Central Kenya leaders whom he said have now abandoned President Kenyatta's Big Four agenda and the fight against graft, and are now in an overdrive with early campaigns for the DP.

"A section of the Mt Kenya leaders hung on the President's coat to secure their positions but they are now behaving as if they have another bigger master than the President. They have even gone a notch higher to publicly oppose his directive on lifestyle audits. We will not let them disrespect the head of state," Kamanda said in Thuita village of Mathioya Constituency in Murang'a.

While speaking yesterday, Ruto also dismissed people he said were opposed to his contributing huge amounts of money in church.

"We do not come to church as politicians, but as Christians and we are unapologetic about our faith. None of us is being asked to give beyond our means, and we when we do, we will do so cheerfully and proudly," Ruto said.

He was accompanied by Senate Speaker Ken Lusaka, Senate Majority Leader Kipchumba Murkomen, Health Cabinet Secretary Sicily Kariuki and MPs Kimani Ichung'wah (Kikuyu), Ndindi Nyoro (Kiharu), Sabina Chege (Murang'a County), and nominated Senator Naomi Waqa.

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a bucket that had accidentally dropped in as he was fetching water.

"Concerned neighbours raised the alarm after hearing screams from inside the borehole, and it is at this point that the boy's father showed bravery to jump inside and try to save the boy. Unfortunately they both died," Mkeha explained.

Medics at the nearby Sirari health centre later confirmed that both victims had died of suffocation.

The mood around the borehole site became sombre after the recovery of the two corpses following the five-hour operation. "It's terrible to imagine that two people from one family can die this way at the same time," remarked Ras Koba, one of the volunteer rescuers.

"When the news first emerged on

Saturday, the village rallied together, donating food and money to the family as a communal way of showing sympathy," Mkeha said.

The double tragedy also triggered anxiety within the village community as the borehole is located just 2.5 kilometres from Ngerengere primary school, where the boy was a pupil. Most local children fetch water from the borehole for domestic use.

Ngerengere school teacher Esteria Sangaya described the late Standard Three pupil Kelvin as a "cheerful, energetic and friendly" kid who got along well with both teachers and fellow pupils.

It has been established that the bodies of father and son are being preserved at the Tarime district hospital mortuary awaiting an official autopsy before being handed to the family for burial arrangements.



Industry, Trade and Investment minister Charles Mwijage (L) symbolically receives from Bakhresa Foods and Beverages Ltd CEO Salim Aziz just-rebranded African Fruit juice, formerly trading as Azam juice, at a ceremony in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Abu Dhabi police officer climbs Mount Kilimanjaro

ABU DHABI

AN officer from the Abu Dhabi Police, ADP, has made history by climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain, in Tanzania, and raised the photo of the founding father, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, and the logo of the Year of Zayed 2018 at the summit.

The mountain is about 4,900 metres (16,100 ft) from its base and 5,895

metres (19,341 ft) above sea level.

Lt. Colonel Mohammed Al Naqbi of the ADP's Criminal Security Sector, who reached the summit of the world's fifth-highest mountain in just one week and is a passionate adventurer and nature lover, said that his dream is to climb the seven highest summits in the world.

He thanked the ADP for its support and motivation, which enabled him to achieve excellence and leadership,

Mbeya Region resorts to prayers to rid itself of road crash 'demons'

By Guardian Reporter, Mbeya

MBEYA residents have now resorted to prayers to dispel the adamant spirit of death after a series of road accidents killing 45 people in one month despite efforts made by authorities to improve safety.

Government leaders, clerics and traditional leaders held a meeting here yesterday at the office of regional commissioner Amos Makalla and agreed to hold a joint prayer in another effort to end road accidents in the region.

The joint prayer has been slated for this Saturday at the CCM Ruanda Nzovwe grounds and Mbeya residents of all political affiliations, religions and ethnic groups have been called upon to turn up in big numbers.

"We are implementing all the directives issued by national leaders to improve security but wisdom dictates us to turn to God for our region to be safe," Makalla said.

Representative of traditional leaders at the meeting, Chief Rocket Mwashinga of the Safwa tribe expressed optimism that after the scheduled prayer to appease the angry spirits, the accidents will come to an end.

He revealed that traditional leaders will hold a separate ritual on Wednesday to consult spirits to establish if at all someone is behind the spate of deaths that has befallen the region.

"If we established that the accidents are a result of work of humans through the strength of evil spirits, the perpetrators will be cursed during our ritual but if it is the will of God, we believe He will heed our prayers," Mwashinga said.

One of the religious leaders who attended the meeting, Sheikh Hassani Katanga of Mbeya central mosque, said they were making plans to work with

local media especially radio stations to broadcast live the Thursday event so that even those at home can take part.

Rev. Oscar Hngere of the Free Pentecostal Church of Tanzania recommended that for the goal to be achieved, such prayers should not be a one-time event but a routine.

The latest accident in Mbeya claimed the lives of five people on Friday at the usual black spot—the Mbalizi slopes—after loaded truck rammed into a Noah van.

The accident occurred just hours after the newly-appointed Home Affairs minister Kangi Lugola demoted Mbeya regional traffic officer for failure to contain the accidents.

Another accident took place at the same black spot the preceding weekend and involved a container truck and three commuter mini-buses. The crash killed a total of 20 people and injured 45 others.

Hardly 24 hours after the accident, minister Lugola visited Mbeya and dissolved the National Road Safety Council (NRSC) and all district and regional road safety committees for failing to contain recurrent deadly accidents in the country.

Addressing regional defence and security committee, Lugola said after questioning chairman of NRSC and members of various regional road safety committees, he concluded that they were not well informed about what they were supposed to oversee: the road traffic law and its regulations.

Lugola also directed inspector general of police Simon Sirro to take legal action against regional traffic officers of 10 regions which recorded the highest number of road accidents recently. He named police regions whose traffic heads face action as Ilala, Kinondoni, Temeke, Mbeya, Tarime-Rorya, Dodoma, Morogoro, Tabora, Ruvuma, shinyanga and Manyara.

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Former President Jakaya Kikwete visits a demo fish farm at the National Service pavilion at the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair yesterday in the company of Industry, Trade and Investment deputy minister Stella Manyanya (2nd-L). Photo: Halima Kambi

Minister suspends 27 officers and game rangers over bribes

By Guardian Correspondent, Sumbawanga

MINISTER for Natural Resources and Tourism Dr Khamis Kigwangala has suspended 27 officers and game rangers under the Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA) over corruption allegations and failure to supervise management of the Uwanda reserve forest.

Those suspended include, the Uwanda forest acting manager, Lackson Mwamezi. Dr Kigwangala made the decision after listening to complaints from the villagers during a public rally held at Kilyamatundu village. The villagers accused forest officials and game rangers of taking bribes from livestock keepers so as to allow them graze in the forest.

He said the suspended officers were charging 100,000/- from each of the fishermen at Rukwa river in order to allow them to use prohibited illegal fishing gears. He said livestock keepers were fined to pay between 6m/- and 7m/- for allowing their cattle in the reserve forest.

The minister directed the Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau (PCCB) to investigate the allegations.

One of the villagers, Shija Imeli accused five game rangers of asking for a 6m/- bribe in order to allow him to graze in the forest for five months.

"We gave 5.8m/- to the game rangers, but our cattle were confiscated because we failed to pay the remaining 200,000/-", complained Imeli.

Minister Kigwangala directed TAWA managing director, Dr James Wakaibara to recruit new game rangers pending completion of investigations by PCCB.

He gave a 30 days ultimatum to the villagers to remove their cattle in the reserved forest.

Last week, the minister sacked the Uwanda forest manager, Mark Chuwa over similar allegations and failure to control farmers from grazing in the forest. According to Dr Kigwangala there were more than 12,000 heads of cattle grazing in the reserved area.

The Uwanda game reserve is located along the Rukwa rift valley in Sumbawanga District, Rukwa Region. It is managed by the Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority (TAWA).

By Guardian Reporter

Premier asks co-operatives to employ qualified managers

PRIME Minister, Kassim Majaliwa has called on leaders of the Agricultural Marketing Co-operative Societies (AMCOS) to employ qualified managers to address challenges facing the societies.

The premier made the call over the weekend when speaking with members of co-operative societies and hundreds of Mwanza city residents during the International Co-operative Day—an annual celebration of the co-

operative movement observed on the first Saturday in July since 1923 by the International Co-operative Alliance.

Majaliwa said that AMCOS staff should have been trained at the Moshi Co-operative University (MoCU).

"Operation of these societies, in most cases goes in line with truthfulness. If the society finds there is one staff member who is trustworthy, they should ensure that he/she goes to

MoCU for better training," the premier suggested.

He is interested to see co-operative services of the people are improved and meet people's expectations.

He, however, asked MoCU vice chancellor to ensure that students are posted in different AMCOS across the country for field training.

"In Tanzania we've more than 4,000 AMCOS and you have 1,000 students, so

make every student serve four AMCOS. This will help to scale up co-operative education in villages," the PM said.

Some of the leaders attended the celebration included Minister for Agriculture, Dr Charles Tizeba and his deputy Dr Mary Mwanjelwa.

Others were Deputy minister for Land, Housing and Human Settlements Development, Angelina Mabula and Regional and District Commissioners of

Kagera, Mara, and Simiyu.

International Co-operative Day is an annual celebration of the co-operative movement observed on the first Saturday in July since 1923 by the International Co-operative Alliance.

On December 16, 1992, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed in resolution 47/90 "the first Saturday of July 1995 to be International Day of Cooperatives, marking the centenary of

the establishment of the International Cooperative Alliance." [1] Since 1995 the United Nations' International Day of Co-operatives has been observed jointly alongside International Co-operative Day. [2]

Co-operatives around the world celebrate the day in various fashions and each year the organising institutions agree on a theme for the celebrations. The 2010 theme was Cooperative Enterprise Empowers Women, to coincide with the 15th anniversary of the Beijing Platform for Action.

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By Guardian Correspondent

THE much awaited arrival of the government owned Dreamliner yesterday brought together Tanzania Tourism Board (TTB) and Air Tanzania Company Limited (ATCL) to discuss ways of attracting more tourists for betterment of both aviation and tourism sectors.

The meeting which was also attended by the Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism, Dr. Aloyce Nzuki saw the both sides coming up with a common purpose towards enabling the revived national flag carrier to achieve the intended objective by President Magufuli of boosting the tourism sector.

Dr Nzuki directed TTB to ensure that in all its promotional adverts, Air Tanzania is featured especially the 262 seats' Dreamliner, which will be making international flights to various destinations starting with China and India.

"The importance of this bigger plane is on its capacity to make long direct flights and therefore these two institutions need to work together in promoting our national flag carrier," she said.

She noted that the presence of direct flights to Tanzania will reduce traveling costs among tourists visiting

TTB, ATCL deliberate on ways to promote tourism as single army

the country and therefore the number of visitors will increase.

Dr Nzuki called on the two agencies to meet regularly and discuss on ways of improving the sector as well as addressing challenges that maybe faced from time to time.

He ordered TTB to look for public relations agencies in China and India, the two Asian countries will be among the initial destinations of ATCL international flights.

"Ambassadors representing our country in various nations in the world stand a better chance to promote our tourism destinations, it is important that they get involved. A special seminar should be organized to enrich their knowledge on the attractions we have in the country so that they can effectively promote our country," she said.

He noted that Tanzania is endowed with so many tourism attractions, therefore it is obvious that direct flights will increase the number of tourists and national revenue resulting from the sector will increase.

The TTB Board Chairman, Retired Judge, Thomas Mihayo said already

the Board was in search of PR agent in India and China which is one of the strategies to be used in marketing the country's tourism attractions abroad.

"We have already nominated an officer who will coordinate Indian and China markets where ATCL will make its direct flights with its Dreamliner," he said.

He said starting with China and India was the great idea as the two countries have potentials of tourists, adding that TTB will organize tour operators' meeting to discuss ways of thorough penetration to the market of the duo countries.

The Chairman of ATCL Board of Directors, Eng Emmanuel Korosso said: "We have agreed to work together in improving the aviation industry as well as increasing the number of tourists. We (ATCL) have started with regional trips to collect tourists in destinations such as Entebbe, Zimbabwe, Nairobi, Kigali and South Africa".

He added that ATCL will collaborate with TTB in preparing flight magazines wherein various articles will help tourists to get know about the available attractions.



Tanzania Tourism Board chairman Judge (rtd) Thomas Mihayo (R) briefs journalists in Dar es Salaam yesterday on a recent joint resolution by the board and Air Tanzania Corporation Limited on ways to use the addition of the US\$ Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner to the ATCL fleet to promote the country's tourism. With him are Natural Resources and Tourism ministry deputy permanent secretary Dr Aloyce Nzuki (C) and ATCL board chairman Emmanuel Korosso. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Govt set to establish livestock resource protection unit soon

By Guardian Correspondent, Dodoma

THE government is set to establish the livestock resource protection unit soon, which will be under the Directorate of Production and Marketing in the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries.

Minister for Livestock and Fisheries, Luhaga Mpina revealed this over the weekend here, saying the move is meant to spearhead protection of the resources and its related products after discovering that there were loopholes that allow smuggling of the resources

lots of revenues.

The minister also directed the need for the establishment of special strategy that will bar loss of revenues from smuggling of livestock resources and its products. "All these challenges are those which make the sector unable to pump enough revenues to the national coffers," he said, suggesting the need for reviewing livestock drugs importation system.

According to the minister, livestock keepers have been complaining about the current veterinary drugs system, particularly on its availability, price and sometimes they are being sold

while they have expired and were also substandard drugs. Mpina was speaking here over the weekend when assessing a special national operation dubbed: 'Operation Nzagamba 2018' to control revenues in the livestock sector. The three-month operation covered ports, livestock auctioning areas, airports, borders, supermarkets and all abattoirs across the country.

The minister said that 7.1bn/- has been collected during the operation, which were in terms of taxes, and fines. This has made the ministry to collect 19.5bn/- by 2017/18 fiscal year compared to 12bn/- in the 2016/17 financial year.

During the operation, Mpina said the government discovered a loss of 1.27bn/- for 15 companies which imported beef and dairy products. Apart from financial related impacts, the government lost employment opportunities, raw materials for industries as well as turning Tanzania the market and pastures ground for cattle from neighbouring countries.

"This is not accepted in this fifth-phase government, which is promoting industrialization," he said, calling perpetrators to stop from doing the vice for the well-being of the nation.

He said that operation 'Zagamba'

came after discovering that some traders had been engaged in illegal cross-border trading in livestock, animal drugs and other products.

37,262 cattle, 125,015 sheep and goats, 2,156 donkeys were seized and auctioned as they were destined for neighbouring of Kenya, Zambia, Comoro and Burundi as well as 10,600 tonnes of animal feeds were seized for illegal entry during the operation.

Head of operation 'Nzagamba' 2018, Dr Lovince Assimwe said that during the operation they discovered that large number of livestock is smuggled as well as illegal importation of livestock

products such as meat and dairy products. Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Water, Mahmoud Mgemwa commended the ministry's move of protecting country's resources, saying the lawmakers will continue to support the government's initiatives.

For her part, Permanent Secretary in the ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, Dr Mary Mashingo also said that the government is determined to reform the livestock and fisheries sectors, which if well managed it can generate hefty incomes for the country's development.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)

TENDER TITLE: DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND SUPPORT OF TMEA RESOURCES INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TRIMS)

TENDER NUMBER: PRQ20171242

TradeMark East Africa (TMEA) is an aid-for-trade organization that was established with the aim of growing prosperity in East Africa through increased trade. TMEA operates on a not-for-profit basis and is funded by the development agencies of the following countries: Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, UK and USA. TMEA works closely with East African Community (EAC) institutions, national governments, the private sector and civil society organizations.

TMEA wishes to identify and shortlist reputable firms/consortiums for the Implementation of a TMEA Resources Information Management System (TRIMS). The Expression of Interest (EOI) document can be obtained at <https://www.trademarkea.com/get-involved/procurement/>. All queries quoting the above Tender Title and Number should be emailed to procurement@trademarkea.com. The closing date for submission of the expressions of interest is on **Monday, 30 July 2018**. Only successful applicants will be contacted.

Interested and qualified firms/consortiums must submit their expressions of interest through TMEA's mail box using the email address, procurement.trademarkea.com. All attachments must be 5 MBs or less.

TMEA cannot answer any query relating to this tender 7 days or less prior to the submission deadline

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

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TMEA wishes to engage **reputable consultancy firms/consortiums** for the following tender opportunities: -

- **PRQ20171199** Provision of Travel Agency Services to TradeMark East Africa (TMEA);
- **PRQ20171214** Provision of Company Secretarial Services to TradeMark East Africa; and,
- **PRQ20171221** Provision of TRIMS Project Management Consultancy.

The Terms of Reference and the Request for Proposals (RFP) document for all tenders can be obtained from TMEA's website <https://www.trademarkea.com/get-involved/procurement/>. All queries about these tenders should be sent to procurement@trademarkea.com quoting the specific tender title and number in the email subject. The closing date for submission of this tender is on **Wednesday, 25 July 2018 at 4.00 p.m. (Kenya Time)**.

Interested and qualified reputable consultancy firms/consortiums must register and apply online **ONLY** on the TMEA procurement portal, <https://procurement.trademarkea.com>, and all attachments must be **10 MBs or less**.

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Dar es Salaam Water and Sewage Authority (Dawasa) acting distribution director Aron Joseph (L. gesturing) makes a briefing to Water and Irrigation minister Prof Makame Mbarawa (with fingers crossed) during yesterday's familiarisation tour of the Upper Ruvu water treatment and distribution plant in Coast Region. Photo: Correspondent Miraji Msala

Access to 1.0bn/- water project improves women's livelihoods

By Guardian Reporter

OVER 13,000 people of Maganzo and Masagala in Kishapu District are expected to benefit from a 1.0 billion/- prepaid water project, thanks to the initiatives made by Investing in Children and their Societies (ICS).

The "Innovative Prepaid Solutions for Sustainable Water Services" project has been implemented by Investing in Children and their Societies (ICS) to address the challenge of water shortage and increasing the revenues for water in Maganzo and Masagala village of Kishapu District in Shinyanga Region.

The prepaid water project which is funded by the UKAid through the Human Development Innovation Fund (HDIF) has proved to be an appropriate and efficient solution, providing water to a large number of residents in urban low-income areas.

"Using the fund that we received from HDIF, we managed to put up a water scheme for pipeline network (11.7kms), provision of pre-paid water meters, construction of two storage water tanks with a combined capacity of 215,000 litres and 25 water kiosks (water ATMs) installed with pre-paid meters and solar power systems", said Peter Matyoko, ICS representative.

He said that the project is based on innovative prepaid water technology developed by SUSTEQ, a social enterprise based in The Netherlands.

He went on to say that it was a pilot project geared towards developing a viable and scalable business, to ease access to water for the residents while at the same time increasing the sustainability potential by reducing the non-revenue water.

The community of Maganzo town and Masagala village depended on buying water from water vendors who fetched it from Mwadui Mines about 3kms from Maganzo and sold a bucket of 20 litres for 500/-.

Apart from buying water from water vendors, the residents used to get water from seasonal shallow wells resulting from rain, which was however not clean and safe for their consumption.

"Only 25 per cent or less of the entire population of Maganzo town and Masagala village were served with water from water vendors and seasonal shallow wells", said Lucas Said, Kishapu District Water Engineer.

Reliable access to water has improved better control of households and children are able to go to school. Before women were collecting water and this had a negative impact on households functioning, including children getting ready and attending schools. Access to water has also improved the overall wellbeing of women, as they spend more time at home and do things which they would like to do instead walking long distances and spending hours looking for water.

The village chairman, Charles Manyene has described the situation before the project as very bad. Households either collected dirty water from a distance and buying the liquid from water vendors. Both options were not satisfactory and amounted to challenges for their health and wellbeing.

ICS area manager said that they are optimistic on the sustainability of water supply due to guaranteed income from water sales using prepaid system and the sense of ownership of the community to date, adding that SUSTEQ, who are the system providers, are monitoring the network on an ongoing basis and ICS water team is providing data and checking hardware as required.

Water kiosks are located on public grounds like schools, dispensaries and other private grounds donated by their owners, which makes it easier for the authority to manage and maintain the facility.

'Make good use of new ships in Lake Nyasa'

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

WORKS, Transport and Communications minister Isack Kamwelwe has urged Tanzanians to make well use of the new constructed ships in Lake Nyasa to improve their businesses.

According to him, if well utilised, business people will, be able to experience improvement and economy growth of their ventures.

In his recent tour at the Lake Nyasa's Itungi and Kiwira ports in Kyela District, Mbeya Region to witness the operation of the new ships Dr Kamwele said that

the completion of the ships is a major step in the improvement of transport in the lake as will easy businesses and daily economic activities.

Constructed by a local firm, M/s Songoro Marine Transport Ltd, the 20bn/- the cargo ships have capacity to carry up to 1,000 tonnes of cargo each.

He however said that the remaining task was the construction of a 27kms road from Kyela to Itungi and Kiwira ports to enable smooth transportation of cargo and passengers.

According to him, the road construction is scheduled to commence in the next fiscal year budget as its

feasibility study of the construction had already been completed.

"Improving port infrastructures and linking roads would attract more investors, so it my plea to all traders transporting cargo to Malawi and other countries to use these ships," he added.

Dr Kamwele said that the government is determined to improve water and railway transport to eliminate cargo transportation by road thus help reduce unnecessary accidents which are mostly caused by trucks carrying cargo. Earlier, Itungi port manager Galus Abeid said that most of the roads linking the port were in devastating

state thus affecting the port efficiency.

"Traders are yet to utilised this opportunity, we are appealing for them to transport cargo through our ports as they are cheap, timely and efficient," he said. For his part, Kyela District Commissioner Claudia Kitta said that they will continue educating traders and the public in general over the opportunities offered by the port.

"We have business strategies with our neighbours from Malawi and in the coming month, we expect to conduct a Tanzania-Malawi business and investment forum to promote trade between the two nations," he added.

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Request for Proposal (RFP) for Provision of Consultancy Firm to Support the Finalization of the Establishment of the Tanzanian Renewable Energy Information Management System (TREIMS)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Tanzania is seeking to engage reputable and highly professional firm/institution/consortia to provide **Provision of Consultancy Firm to Support the Finalization of the Establishment of the Tanzanian Renewable Energy Information Management System (TREIMS)-RFP/TZA/2018/005**.

Interested eligible Institution/Firm may obtain the bid documents (RFP and ToR) upon written request from: http://procurement-notice.undp.org/view_notice.cfm?notice_id=47844

United Nations Development Programme
P.O. Box 9182
Plot.182, Mzinga Way, Off Msasani Road, Oysterbay
Dar es Salaam - Tanzania

Requests for clarification should be sought in writing from the following e-mail address: tenders.tz@undp.org. You're encouraged to read and download the Request for Proposal available at the website www.tz.undp.org.

Sealed envelopes clearly marked "**Provision of Consultancy Firm to Support the Finalization of the establishment of the Tanzanian Renewable Energy Information Management System (TREIMS)- RFP/TZA/2018/005**" must be submitted to UNDP before the 27th July 2018 @ 13:00hrs (Tanzanian Time).

All bids must be delivered physically (no electronic submission) to reach UNDP Tanzania before the deadline for submission of bids and deposited in the tender box located at Registry UNDP Tanzania on or before **Friday, 27 July 2018 at 13.00 hours (East African Time)**.

Late submission will be rejected. Proposals submitted to other places than Registry, UNDP Tanzania will not be considered.

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REQUEST FOR QUOTES RFQ 2018 - 06/03

Closing Date: Monday 23rd July 2018, 2:00 pm (Dar es Salaam, Tanzania)

Pact Inc. is an international non-profit organization with its headquarters in Washington, DC. Pact serves communities challenged by poverty and marginalization because we envision a world where everyone owns their future. To do this, we build systemic solutions in partnership with local organizations, businesses and government. Our goal is thriving, resilient communities where those we serve are heard, capable, and vibrant.

Pact Tanzania is looking to print IEC materials for the USAID Kizazi Kipya project, a 5-year, USAID-funded award. Pact Tanzania now invites quotes from eligible, registered local suppliers to supply to print IEC materials with the following specifications:

s/n	Item description	Specifications	Quantity	Delivery date
1	Puberty books for girls age 10-14	Size: A5 Colour: Full colour Cover: 250gsm gloss lamination Inside: 80MF Finishing: Saddle stitch No of Pages: 38pgs+cover	79,488	11 th August 2018
2	Puberty books for boys age 10-14	Size: A5 Colour: Full colour Cover: 250gsm gloss lamination Inside: 80MF Finishing: Saddle stitch No of Pages: 42pgs+cover	61,216	11 th August 2018
3	Health Adolescent books for boys and girls in and out of school age 15-19	Size: A5 Colour: Full colour Cover: 250gsm gloss Inside: 80MF Finishing: Saddle stitch No of Pages: 52pgs+cover	140,703	11 th August 2018

Note 1: Quote must include distribution cost to the final destination; please email procurementTZ@pactworld.org to obtain distribution list before submitting your quote.

The deadline is Monday 23rd July 2018 2pm EAT.

Please note 2:

1. Late or incomplete bids will not be accepted or reviewed by Pact Tanzania Tender Committee.
2. Electronic bid will not be accepted
3. The quote that complies with all specifications/requirements and offers the lowest price will be selected
4. Pact may cancel solicitation and not to award.
5. Pact may reject any or all responses received.
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9. Pact will be contacting all offerors to confirm contact person, address and that bid was submitted for this solicitation.

Interested Vendor must submit the following information to Pact Tanzania:

- Quote, valid for at least 60
- Copy of business license, VAT and TIN certificate
- Payment terms must be specified
- Evidence of similar assignments must be submitted
- Delivery time

Interested, vendors should deliver their quote to:

The Tender Committee
Pact Tanzania
74 Uporoto Street, Victoria
P. O. Box 6348, Dar es salaam, Tanzania

All quotes must be enclosed in a plain sealed envelope.



Selemani Jafo (3rd-L), Minister of State in the President's Office (Regional Administration and Local Government), receives a gift from Nama International managing director Dr Salehe Baziadi of Malaysia at the inauguration of a sponsorship programme for Form V and VI Tanzanian students in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

'Build positive relationship on children's education'

By Guardian Reporter

THE fundamental importance of building positive relationships with children can be best illustrated by the following making close follow-ups on children education development.

Minister of State in the President's Office, Regional Administration and Local Government, Selemani Jafo has called upon parents, guardians and institutions to make a closer follow-ups on child education development to help them from unbecoming behaviours.

Jafo made the call over the weekend when speaking at the launch of special programme for sponsoring Form Five and Six students. The sponsorship has been made possible by Pamoja Foundation in collaboration with

Malaysian-based organization – NAMA Foundation.

The minister said that the two organizations have been ensuring that the youth continue with Form Five and Six education, hence it's important for all players to ensure that they make a closer follow up for the beneficiaries.

"We're fully aware that there are youth who go against norms and traditions when the learning environment has changed," he said.

He added: "I am expecting you beneficiaries do not fall in that trap. It's his time you invest heavily in education and maximize your dream of going to universities."

According to Jafo, the government has created better learning environment for Tanzanian children to get better

education.

Citing examples, the minister, who is also an MP for Kisarawe said the government, has been renovating all old public schools at the tune of 1bn/- to 2bn/- per school.

So far, according to the minister, 43 out of 89 have been renovated across the country; urging youth who got the sponsorship to study hard for their own future life and the nation at large.

He pledged that the government will continue to partner with all organizations, whose aim is to scale up education for the Tanzanian children.

Earlier, NAMA executive director Dr Salehe Baziadi said his organization complements government's policy of free education policy. Initiative to improve the country's education

sector.

He said that NAMA Foundation is founded to empower the education sector and civil communities organisation throughout the world.

The empowerment of the sectors is through institutional grants and partnership building, supported by excellent project management and sophisticated result measurement.

For his part, director of Pamoja Foundation Haji Mrisho said that the programme focuses on students who missed the opportunity to get education in public schools.

According to Mrisho, there are more than 200 students who are benefiting from the programme by paying them school fees, textbooks, exercise books and other related teaching and learning facilities.

Mugana hospital hailed for quality healthcare delivery

By Guardian Reporter

MUGANA hospital located in Kagera Region has been commended for achieving excellence in healthcare delivery and becoming the first facility in Tanzania to reach the SafeCare highest level in excellence in quality of care, SafeCare Level 5.

SafeCare is an international initiative that aims to support health facilities in developing countries to incrementally comply with set of standards of care that are approved by the Ministry of Health and also internationally recognized, as they move up the quality of care ladder from SafeCare Level 1 to excellence in quality, SafeCare Level 5.

The SafeCare initiative was launched in 2011 in Cape Town, (South Africa) and implementation in Tanzania started in 2012. Up to June 2014, about fifty (50) facilities, majority of them received loans for improving quality of care voluntarily enrolled in the program and just a few (less than 10 pc) facilities were able to move up the SafeCare quality ladder.

In July 2014, Human Development Innovation Fund (HDIF) funded PharmAccess International (PAI) to implement a four-year Business of Quality (BOQ) project to scale up this initiative countrywide. The project is being implemented in collaboration with Christian Social Services Commission (CSSC), the Association of Private Health Facilities Tanzania (APHFTA) and Private Nurses and Midwives Association of Tanzania (PRINMAT).

The BOQ project is intended to improve both clinical and business performance of 475 facilities countrywide. In addition, the project also is aimed at promoting sector-wide acceptance of the fact that with structured support, facilities in Tanzania are capable of meeting internationally recognized standards of healthcare that focuses on patient safety and effectiveness of care.

Through regular technical support provided by CSSC and PharmAccess, there has been a great shift in quality, where majority of facilities have climbed the quality

ladder from one level to the next. In March 2018, PharmAccess witnessed the first champion in quality, Mugana hospital emerging from Level 2 (in 2015) to Level 5 which is the highest.

"After two years of implementation there was encouraging results to observe that it was possible for facilities in Tanzania to comply with internationally recognized standards of care and improve from one level to another. Very few facilities moved up the SafeCare quality ladder, the highest level of quality achieved by the highest performer was Level 3 but majority (95 pc) of facilities remained at the lowest level, Level 1", said Dr. Peter Risha, SafeCare Programme director, of PharmAccess Tanzania.

"HDIF is delighted to be part of this success as it demonstrates that it is really possible for a hospital in Tanzania to comply with internationally recognized standards of care, achieve excellence in quality within the available resources", said HDIF team leader, David McGinty.

McGinty concluded by saying that the commitment of the hospital management and staff, have the desire to be the best of the best, the support provided by CSSC were some of the contributing factors that made this dream become a reality. Mugana hospital will be the shining star that will be followed by others, provided the achievements are sustained.

Speaking on the achievement of Mugana hospital, Dr. Josephine Balati, director of health of CSSC said that it is crucial for care givers to adhere to the best practices even when resources are scarce, applauding Mugana hospital while stressing that being recognized and rewarded is informing the community where to go for quality services and to set an example for other facilities to adopt such initiatives.

The health care delivery system in Tanzania is riddled with a lot of challenges including availability of adequate resources for provision of quality services. Even when resources have been made available, patient safety and effectiveness of care has been a risk when best practices are not put in place.

Moshi ready to promote sustainable waste management and cleanliness

By Correspondent James Lanka, Moshi

MOSHI Municipal Council (MMC) has unveiled measures towards making the town remain clean all the times, and among the measures include purchasing garbage collecting equipment.

Moshi is one of the cleanest towns in Tanzania and is also one of the busiest tourist towns, as it hosts several cultural tourism programmes operating on the lower slopes of nearby Mount Kilimanjaro.

Acting MMC director, Uhuru Mwebembe said that currently the town is overwhelmed with a waste produced on daily basis to an extent that it was incapable of disposing it all due to lack of disposing facilities.

He told reporters here over the weekend that the municipal was able to dispose 70 per cent only of the 225 tonnes of garbage produced daily.

Mwebembe said the amount of waste produced in the municipal was still a challenge because of increased businesses since it was one of the town's business

centre that brings in people from various destinations worldwide. Moshi is the home town of the famous free standing mountain, the Kilimanjaro which is also famously as the 'Roof of Africa'.

He said plans were underway to flood the municipal with more dust bins that would be positioned in various places, being one of the measures to tackle the problem.

They have also introduced penalties for keeping the town clean such as imposing the 50,000/- fine to any person who would be found littering the municipal's environment.

"Such penalties have in a way reduced the tendency by some people to litter the town and keep the town clean," the acting municipal director explained.

Head of environment and cleanliness department at the municipality, Danford Kamenya explained that, the municipal council has set aside 900m/- in the 2018/19 budget for the purchase of various cleaning equipment including garbage trucks in efforts to make the

tourist town clean.

"We have already purchase a caterpillar, and soon we're going to receive our three more garbage trucks that will be used to collect garbage in all wards of the Moshi municipality for sustainable cleanliness of our municipality," Kamenya explained.

Kamenya further explained that, Moshi Municipal Council had only 5 garbage trucks, and they decided to purchase more three garbage trucks which had the capacity of collecting a total of 100 tonnes of solid waste per day; thus improving garbage collection in the municipal for sustainable cleanliness.

He further said they have formed special groups of the public to oversee the town cleanliness which comprises food vendors and small-scale traders.

They are also contemplating of forming up a special fund in which top business community personnel and various stakeholders will donate in the campaign to make the town clean.



Tanzania Breweries Limited beer-making specialist Christian Tarimo briefs a delegation of Zimbabwean army officers on beer-making during their visit to TBL Group's plant in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

TFDA urged to use accreditation to detect aflatoxin in food crops

By Correspondent Devota Mwachang'a

THE Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA) has been urged to effectively use the accreditation to detect aflatoxin in food crops and medicines produced by local industries for international recognition.

TFDA has received accreditation ISO 17025:2005 from the Southern African Development Accreditation (SADCA) which gives the authority mandate to approve the medicines and foods which will meet the required international standards.

Speaking during the handing over of the accreditation held at the TFDA head quarters in Dar es Salaam over the weekend, Minister for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children Ummu Mwalimu said having the accreditation will enable the authority to continue giving out results of the samples which will be reliable and accurate.

"You (TFDA) have made another history in protecting the community's health through this accreditation; it is high time now for the authority to collaborate with my ministry and

ministry of agriculture to find out the best ways of reserving food crops from harvesting to the warehouses, this will help prevent or reduce the problems of aflatoxin in food especially in corn, peanuts, and seeds in general," she said.

According to Mwalimu, the community is experiencing poor methods of preserving foods which put massive people at risk of suffering the consequences caused by the consumption of foods with highest aflatoxin contamination.

"I am afraid to say that the problem

of Aflatoxin is still high; so the authority must do its best even conducting researches and come out with good recommendations on how to solve the problem," she added.

Earlier, TFDA acting director general Agnes Kijo said SADCA has authorized the laboratory for foods and microbiology samples to carry on holding the accreditation for another era of five years from February 21, 2018 to February 20, 2023.

"Apart from many advantages, the ISO 17025:2005 for laboratory shows the accurate results required for the

international trade, especially for the certified local made products exported to the outside countries are accepted to the international market," she said.

She said TFDA has laboratory quality management system which works under ISO 17025:2005, the laboratory implements the system of World Health Organisation (WHO) dubbed: "Good Practices for Pharmaceutical Quality Control Laboratories".

Kijo said in 15 years of its existence, the authority has been the core centre of training of various institutions in Africa, whereby at least 15 institutions

dealing with controlling of foods and drugs received training from TFDA.

For his part, Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) director general Dr. Ngenya Athuman Yusuph said: "Our work is not differ from that is being performed by TFDA, the only difference is that TFDA deals with foods and drugs while TBS deals with commodities; the basic obligation is to protect the users, we always engage into inspecting the quality of goods for example clothes, construction materials even condoms, all in all is to ensure people utilize the best products".

RC Masenza wants stakeholders to address challenges facing farmers

By Guardian Correspondent, Iringa

THE Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor of Tanzania (SAGCOT) has been urged to collaborate with other stakeholders to find a lasting solution to the challenges raised during the just ended annual review meeting in Iringa municipality.

Closing the two-day annual cluster review meeting of the SAGCOT in Iringa municipality yesterday, Iringa Regional Commissioner, Amina Masenza said the farmers challenges raised during meeting need to be resolved once and for all.

"Every stakeholders with the coordination of SAGCOT needs to address the challenges observed in our meeting with all stakeholders, including the central government, local government, private sector on specific challenges falling under their mandate," she said.

Some of the challenges that she said needed quick solution was the tendency by most of the sellers

of the Irish potatoes to package the potatoes in the packaging materials known as "Lumbesa" in Kiswahili as a selling unit measure price instead of using kilogramme standard measurement.

She said "Lumbesa" measurement vary in terms of weight from one package to another and making it possible for both buyers and sellers of the product to be cheated, saying this was utterly theft and a day light robbery to farmers.

"To use Lumbesa as a weight measurement per unit price especially for the Irish potatoes was utterly killing and daylight robbery of the farmers and consumers. Let me call upon my fellow government leaders to exert more efforts in reversing this trend," she said.

On the poor road network in the Ithemi and Mbalali cluster regions of Mbeya, Njombe, Songea, Mbeya and Songwe, the RC called on the TARURA—a government agency overseeing rural road repairs and

construction to ensure that they mobilize more resources and investors to tackle the challenge.

She called upon the managing director of the SAGCOT's catalytic trust fund (SAGCOT CTF), John Kyaruzi to visit the Ithemi and Mbalali clusters to educate the farmers on the criteria used for farmers in the areas to qualify for the funding.

The regional commissioner called on the tropical Pesticides Research Institute to do more in educating the farmers, and agricultural extension officers and sellers of the pesticides in the area covered by the Ithemi and Mbalali clusters in a move to get rid of the pests destroying the crops and livestock.

The two day meeting, which ended yesterday, brought together various personalities including stakeholders from the public sector, private sector and consumers to discuss ways and means to address challenges facing the farmers in the two clusters.



Prajwal Sinha (seated), a pupil of Dar es Salaam's Aga Khan Primary School, demonstrates how to draw robotics. This was during a training conducted at the weekend as part of a camp hosted by Airtel Tanzania in partnership Dar Teknohama Business Incubator - DTBi - and aimed at educating and entertaining children. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

By Guardian Reporter

AIRTEL Tanzania and Dar Teknohama Business Incubator - DTBi have organized a programme dubbed "Steam camp" aimed at educating and entertaining children during the summer period.

The programme was launched on June 28 and ended on July 6 2018 at the Kijitonyama primary school at the Airtel DTBi Lab.

Speaking in Dar es Salaam, the Michael Thomas from DTBi said the programme brought together different schools from Dar es Salaam to learn, have fun, create and explore techno science technology, engineering, arts and maths - STEAM.

"The programme brought together 10 pupils from different schools and five from Kijitonyama primary school plus three teachers for this summer camp," he said.

Airtel partners with DTBi to host steam summer camp

According to the Thomas, this year's programmes for the steam summer camp included robotics with lego mind storms EV3, project maker, mine craft and game design, scratch programming and 3D printing.

He said the training also is among other things intended to ensure the pupils get the general concept - basics of robotics with lego - actuator, sensor, to learn the basic features of the robot from the origin using lego pieces and programming with lego mind storms software, understanding blocks and how to programme a robot.

"Others included building and ensuring the basic robot participates in a guided and open ended robotics

challenges, making different design using lego pieces and integrating robotics with project made. He thanked Airtel Tanzania for the sponsorship.

The Airtel Tanzania events manager Dangio Kaniki said they were proud to sponsor the initiative as it promotes innovation and ensures a good foundation for pupils who are aspiring to pursue science subjects.

"Airtel has been on the frontline in promoting education and steam summer camp is an important initiative that we felt is important for our children. We hope this will go a long way to enable them to develop more interest in science and maths, Kaniki said.

Ithraa to showcase Omani expertise in Tanzania

By Guardian Reporter and Agencies

A 23-strong trade delegation led by Ithraa, Oman's inward investment and export promotion agency, will today expected to jet in Tanzania for a three-day to demonstrate the expertise and quality of Omani companies and non-oil exports.

Mazen Al Siyabi, Ithraa's head of export development, said: "Tanzania is very much on the international business community's radar because of its geographic location, excellent connectivity, macroeconomic and political stability and fast growing economy which expanded by over 6 per cent in 2017."

According to the World Bank, Tanzania's population of 53 million is estimated to grow at an annual

rate of 3 per cent. This coupled with an urbanisation rate of 30 per cent has resulted in increased consumer demand that Omani exporters are looking to meet.

Bordering eight countries including Kenya, Uganda, Congo and Mozambique, Tanzania has a relatively diversified economy and according to Ithraa a number of opportunities remain untapped.

Experts expect Tanzania's economic growth to average 6.2 per cent between 2017 and 2026, said a statement.

Al Siyabi explained: "This growth is underpinned by infrastructure development and a growing urban consumer base. In particular, international firms are being attracted to Tanzania's mining, food and beverage, telecom, construction and

energy sectors."

On the logistics front, by linking the ports of Duqm, Salalah and Sohar with Dar es Salaam Port, Oman's growing community of non-oil exporters, particularly SMEs, could gain also access to new African markets using Tanzania as a gateway, it said.

Al Siyabi said: "We believe Tanzania offers Omani exporters ample trade and investment opportunities not to mention access to a market of more than 150 million people in the East African Community (EAC) region."

"There is huge potential and we are excited about the positive results our visit to Dar es Salaam will produce. Indeed, we look forward to building a lasting trade relationship with Tanzania that brings benefits to both our countries," Al Siyabi added.



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Job Title: Technical Integration Cluster Manager (1 position)

Location: Tabora, Tanzania
Reporting To: Senior Program Manager

Position Purpose:

Serve as an active member of the program team for the implementation of Pact's Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) project. The Technical Integration Cluster Manager oversees and guides the CSO liaison officer, M&E officer, data, officer, and technical coordinator staff in implementation of the project in the field locations offices listed below. This includes the promotion of quality and timely project management as well as intra- and interdepartmental coordination and collaboration.

Job Title: Technical Services Coordinator - Adolescent HIV Prevention (6 positions)

Location: Dar es Salaam, Mwanza, Dodoma, Mbeya, Songea and Tabora, Tanzania
Reporting To: Technical Cluster Manager

Position Purpose:

This position will lead the implementation of all adolescent HIV prevention activities in respective clusters under the USAID Kizazi Kipya project in targeted councils to improve and expand HIV prevention services to vulnerable adolescents. The Technical Services Coordinators- Adolescent HIV Prevention will be part of the wider USAID Kizazi Kipya implementation team and be stationed in Dar es Salaam, Dodoma, Mbeya, Mwanza, Songea, or Tabora to cover the respective councils in the respective zone. Identify source and applications of funds; effective control and accountability of funds, property and other assets; and comparison of expenditure versus budgets amounts.

Job Title: Technical Services Coordinator - Bi Directional Referral and Linkages (1 position)

Location: Songea, Tanzania
Reporting To: Technical Integration Cluster Manager

Position Purpose:

The Technical Service Coordinator Bi-Directional Referral and Linkages (TSC-BDRL) will play a pivotal role in ensuring implementation of 90-90-90 strategies and functional bi-directional referral systems between communities, clinical services, and social service providers. The TSC-BDRL requires a high degree of integrity, professionalism, flexibility and perseverance, as well as the ability to anticipate, identify and resolve problems in the field. Proficiency in dealing with M&E is essential, as is expertise in referral systems.

Job Title: Technical Services Coordinator - Economic Strengthening (2 positions)

Location: Mbeya and Songea, Tanzania
Reporting To: Technical Cluster Manager

Position Purpose:

The Technical Services Coordinator - Economic Strengthening (TSC - ES) serves as an active member of the program team for the implementation of Pact's Kizazi Kipya project. The outcome that the TSC - ES works to achieve is making sure that Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) caregivers have financial resources to serve their OVC and adolescents. At the Cluster level, the TSC - ES will also ensure the technical cohesion of project integration, strengthening age-appropriate HIV/AIDS-related and other services for improved care, health, nutrition, education, protection, livelihoods, and psychosocial well-being.

Job Title: Cluster Accountant (1 position)

Location: Tabora, Tanzania
Reporting To: Technical Integration Cluster Manager

Position Purpose:

Cluster Accounting Officer works with the Finance team to ensure that Pact's financial policies and procedures and those of donors are adhered to all times and Safeguarding funds set aside specifically for insurance of grants and ensuring that they are used in line with the purpose intended by donor and accurate financial records are maintained by Implementing Partners.

Job Title: Driver/Logistics Assistant (1 position)

Location: Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Reporting To: Administration Officer

Position Purpose:

To safely operate Pact Tanzania vehicles efficiently and to provide administrative assistance to the Pact office as needed

Job Title: MyWorth IT Support Officer (1 position)

Location: Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Reporting To: Social and Economic Empowerment Specialist

Position Purpose:

Serve as an active member of the program team for the implementation of Pact's Sauti-Tz MyWorth activities in execution of the program objectives

Job Description Details and How to Apply:

If you believe you are the ideal person we are looking for, please submit your application describing why you are the right candidate for this position, your region of preference and a curriculum vitae detailing your experience and three (3) professional referees from previous and current place of employment.

Please send the application through the following links:

Technical Integration Cluster Manager:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/technical-integration-cluster-manager-56mn7x>

Technical Services Coordinator-Adolescent HIV Prevention:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/technical-services-coordinator-adolescent-hiv-prevention-2j4xzj>

Technical Services Coordinator - Bi Directional Referral Coordinator:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/technical-services-coordinator-bi-directional-referrals-linkages-q4mr77>

Technical Services Coordinator - Economic Strengthening:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/technical-services-coordinator-economic-strengthening-two-positions-zv7049>

Cluster Accountant:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/cluster-accountant-tabora-78kqnx>

Driver/Logistics Assistant:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/driverlogistics-assistant-rzgxvn>

Cluster Accountant:

<https://www.brightermonday.co.tz/job/cluster-accountant-tabora-78kqnx>

The closing date for applications will be Friday 20th July 2018

Qualified women are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please note only the applications sent to through this link will be reviewed.

(only shortlisted candidates will be contacted)

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Departing Kim Poulsen leaves indelible mark at Serengeti Boys

THINGS are changing on the national soccer scene with the precipitous resignation of Kim Poulsen as head coach - or technical adviser - for the national under-17 soccer squad, Serengeti Boys. Impeccable news sources had it loud and clear in yesterday's mastheads that the Danish tactician was leaving the side, without saying what direction he is taking after this, and without obtaining actual confirmation from the Tanzania Football Federation (TFF). Still the remarks the coach made to the news sources were definitive and clear, that everything has an end; his sentiment was that it is the right moment to leave.

That falls short of airing any disputes, and given the background of working sufficiently hard and diligently to enable the squad to bag the East and Central African Under-17 title in a tournament in Bujumbura three months ago, suspecting disagreements goes a bit far. Chances are that there is a new opening in his coaching life, or enhanced demand for his technical advisory services as it were, and to that sort of anticipation, no obstacles can be raised.

So Tanzania needs the coach like other countries or teams, and we just need to be thankful that we have had his company and insights for the better part of ten years, if not slightly longer than that, in which case we have no reason to complain if he calls it a day.

What the fans and the broader range of stakeholders expect, and that is hard to put one's finger in the pie, is that those whom he leaves behind on the technical bench of Serengeti Boys would have learnt a thing or two under his tutelage and will be ready to

continue where he left. A cup winning technical advisor isn't one with whom to exchange barbs of one sort or another, or compare his philosophy of football from what 'local coaches' think, or purvey the idea that he was favored because he hails from Europe, etc. This sort of thinking catapults the country to reel from one moment of failure to another.

In a situation in which stakeholders are raking their heads or brains to figure out how the Tanzania senior national team (either as Kilimanjaro Stars or as Taifa Stars) can stamp its mark on the regional tournament to start with, Kim Poulsen expressed precisely that same dream and enabled the team to realize it.

He was quoted by the media early April saying that Serengeti Boys was capable of leaving a mark on the CECAFA Under-17 Championship and indeed that is what happened, when his side lifted the title. Stakeholders have often underlined that the youth side is a trope for Taifa Stars players later, but that isn't where the big issue lies; plenty stands between youth success and national team achievement.

A number of the youths have since obtained scholarships to study abroad and may in future actually provide the country with a crop of players who are based outside, to beef up the national side. At the same time it is true that foreign academies don't actually seek out Under-17 national side players but the top clubs, and scout local academies for talent, to improve in superior training conditions. In his subsequent career, Kim Poulsen could even help with those aspects, if he returns home or is reassigned.

Stiegler's Gorge critics could take a leaf from Inga III power project

NEIGHBOURING Democratic Republic of Congo is gearing up to start work this year on the frequently delayed Inga III hydropower project, after receiving a joint bid from previously competing investors' consortia, on the basis of regional media reports. A major cited bidder is the Three Gorges Corporation of China whose power project is among the most imposing the world over, and had an avalanche of critics when it came up, for significantly modifying the natural environment in the zone on which it is built. Nearly the same thing is being raised in relation to Stiegler's Gorge, so we have lessons to pick up.

The DRC project is much larger than Stiegler's Gorge, despite the latter being massive by Tanzanian standards, as we are used to incremental power capacity increases, by 100MW from nearly each new power station, etc. In that case a range of analysts and especially environmental stakeholders had the feeling that adding around 2000 MW to the national grid all of a sudden was rather ambitious, and in a sense not reflecting current power needs.

It is a position that doesn't take into account the fact that any surplus power added to capacity wouldn't remain surplus for long, with current trends towards industry.

Inga III is billed to produce 11,000MW of power when completed, with project costs estimated at \$13.9billion, while Stiegler's Gorge is expected to generate 2,100MW and cost around \$3.9billion, where the massive project costs comparably less in relation to capacity. That is the first reason for supporting big projects, as small projects put the country in costly incremental increase in power sector development, and multiplies nearly ungovernable

series of contracts and profitability expectations for each 100MW power system added to the national grid. A big project is less susceptible to shenanigans.

What however lurks out from the Inga III project is that countries and major power consortia around the world still have confidence in hydroelectricity, and recent trends have shown that it isn't just one track climate change where rain gradually dries up. In many parts of the country holding back the sky from yielding more rain has been painstakingly expressed in prayers, which means that over the next ten years chances that Stiegler's Gorge will have lost a significant portion of its current capacity are fairly low, Inga III project is testimony that the world still has confidence in hydropower, so we can take it up.

As a matter of fact the contention between the use of natural gas as opposed to hydropower is not quite a real one, as natural gas costs significantly higher than hydropower, and currently at least, use of natural gas in power generation is to diminish export opportunities.

It means that hydropower frees more gas for direct industrial uses and exports, though accelerated pace of shifting to electric cars implies that a cap is on the way for hydrocarbon exports. Meanwhile opportunities for renewable sources of energy like wind power and geothermal sources are limited, as the infrastructures needed are at times unaffordable, and involve too many stakeholders for the comfort of investors.

It appears to be a niche sector of energy industry concerns that will be taken up in due course, as power needs shall only rise in future rather than diminishing. Ours is still a rather basic power infrastructure quest, presently.



Rwanda, China media commit to deepen ties

By Marie-Anne Dushimimana

RWANDA and China have a long history of cooperation and friendship, and they have good stories which are still untold or are told on a biased way.

Media managers from Rwanda and China have agreed to deepen relations in the interest of telling true and factual stories about both countries, to the benefit of the peoples of both countries.

Relations between Rwanda and China have been existent for over 40 years, and it has gained momentum over the past few years with cooperation pacts expanded to cover various areas.

During a dialogue between Rwandan media managers and their Chinese counterparts led by Guo Weimin the Vice Minister of China state Council of Information Office, the two parties agreed that there are many ways in which they could work together.

The dialogue which was held in Kigali was held ahead of the forthcoming visit by Chinese President, Xi Jinping who is expected in the country on July 22 for a state visit, a first one in recent history.

Claudine Uwanyirigira the Deputy Director General at Rwanda Broadcasting Agency said it's a good thing to develop joint projects between media practitioners of both countries.

The cooperation has been there in terms of capacity building and getting supports in terms of equipment, but it should be even better if it extends to



Rwanda President Paul Kagame and Chinese President Xi Jinping

another level, she said.

"I'm looking for long term relations between media of China and Rwanda, whose impact may even expand to the whole Africa," she suggested.

John Mbanda, the Director in Charge of Media at Rwanda Governance Board, said the two countries have a long history of cooperation and friendship and they have many good stories which are still untold or are told on a biased way.

"There have been many misconceptions on the other side and it can be corrected with telling the truth of what Rwanda is and what China is within our own contexts. I think the

exchange in terms of capacity building and content exchange will be fruitful," he said.

Jiang Aimin the Director of China Radio International (Africa) said media houses of both countries have the responsibility to report the factual truth in order to keep away the biased reports mostly done by those with their own agenda to push.

"It's only developing countries that can understand other developing countries. We have to sign agreements to be able to exchange content freely," he said.

Huang Cheng the Director of CGTN Africa said Rwanda and China share

the same view said that there was an opportunities to change this narrative.

"Our media partnerships should do away with some misconceptions told around us. We have to report stories, good or bad, but with fact and accuracy," he said.

On his part, the Chinese Vice Minister for Information, Guo Weimin pledged his support towards strengthening China-Rwanda media fraternity.

"We should deepen exchanges and cooperation between our media houses. I think we can build a mechanism to get it institutionalized," he said.

Reporters from Rwanda can go to China and Chinese come to Rwanda to exchange experience, knowledge and content as way to promote cooperation and tell the stories of Beautiful Rwanda and Beautiful China, he said.

He also urged local media to report on the forthcoming visit by the Chinese President.

Earlier in the day, Weimin had led a delegation to the head office of The New Times, during which he said that the forthcoming visit should help to promote a people-to-people engagement through the media of the two countries.

During the visit, he also outlined the different engagements he they would be undertaking, including donating scholastic materials to students, a Chinese film festival and a photo exhibition, among others

Africa's huge resources can empower its people - Museveni

PRESIDENT Yoweri Museveni has called on African leaders to focus on practical issues including promoting trade and services among their people and where possible, use third parties to develop the continent's huge resources and reverse its hemorrhage spending abroad to building infrastructure and industries home.

"We must guarantee the prosperity of the African people through trade of goods and services. If I buy what you produce, am supporting your prosperity. That is why our leaders in 1980, through the Lagos plan of action, coupled with ECOWAS, COMESA and the recently signed Continental Free Trade Area (CFTA) are for the prosperity of our people. We do not only buy from one another but also negotiate for third party markets," he said.

The President said when this is accomplished, including the physical infrastructure to link East-Central-West-Southern Africa, our continent will be united and strong.

The President was last evening speaking shortly before he was hosted to a grand state dinner by President Alpha Conde at State House in Guinea,



President Yoweri Museveni

Conakry. The President was awarded the Highest Order of Merit Award given by Guinea Conakry to distinguished leaders. He was decorated by Hon. Kaba 43, the in-charge of Guinea Medals Board.

"The reason I came here is partly because of the history of Guinea and also the Pan African position of Sékou Touré's union with Ghana. Africa must renew its view of political integration alongside economic integration to support prosperity and survival. Unity is strength. All these African people are the same - the Mandingo in Guinea,

Mali, Sierra Leone, the Fulani etc. In our part of the world, the Bantu people are found everywhere. Am very happy to be here. I am coming here for pilgrimage because this is the land of Sékou Touré who represented people's struggles in the support of the independence of Guinea. They are standing with us and now we are talking about cooperation," he said.

Touré was a strong champion of African unity and Pan-Africanism. He wasted no time in attempting to strengthen ties with neighbouring and other African countries and thus lessen

their collective dependence on former European colonizers. He is reported to have initiated the Guinea-Ghana-Mali Union, a proposal of union between African countries, which preceded the idea of the African Union by 40 years.

His widow Maama Hajia Andre Toure, was at the dinner to witness the award to President Museveni with whom they later sat and had a conversation.

In a passionate plea, the President said the purchasing power of Africans directed towards importing things like human hair, curtains, clothes, carpets etc, can be used to build factories on the continent to create jobs for our people.

"I see our children going to Europe and dying at sea. Going to Europe to look for jobs. Jobs that we have been exporting because we are buying other people's products. That's why I came to discuss these issues with H.E. Conde, because he is a revolutionary. Africa must unite," he said.

President Alpha Conde described Museveni as a pan Africanist President and the first ever Ugandan President to visit Guinea Conakry. He said the medal was also given to re enforce bilateral relationships between Uganda and Guinea.

Tanzanian young scientists investing in innovations and creativity

BY CORRESPONDENT GERALD KITABU

TANZANIA Commission for Science and Technology (Costech) is holding the 6th Annual National Science, Technology and Innovation conference and Exhibitions in Dar es Salaam under the theme: Towards industrialization: The role of Science, Technology and Innovation.

The young scientists have been given priority to showcase various innovations and share the various products and services developed in the country.

The STI conference and exhibitions which was officially opened by the Minister for Education, Science and Technology Prof. Joyce Ndalichako is designed to inform, engage as well as get feedback from stakeholders, chatting the way together on how science, technology and innovation can be a driver to the industrialization agenda. It brings together scientists, academic and researchers from different institutions in the country.

The speeches and discussions include alignment of STI development to the national industrial Agenda, linkages between research and development, industries and private sector in research and innovation.

Also in the list are showcasing of innovations, potentials of technology and knowledge transfer in Tanzania among many other topics.

More interesting in this conference and exhibitions is the showcasing of research results and innovations especially the young scientists.

Speaking during the conference, the Minister for Education, Science and Technology Prof. Joyce Ndalichako said that the second five-year development plan acknowledges that reaching advanced level of inclusive and sustainable industrial development requires conscious efforts to sustain growth, promote social inclusiveness and move towards a greener structural information as well as managing the trade-offs between them. This can be attained only with accumulation of internal sciences, technology and innovation capabilities.

"To ensure that industrialization is well embraced and nursed, the fifth phase government is committed also at strengthening the country's research and innovation ecosystem so that research results can be used to guide the country in making evidence-based decisions to improve lives of Tanzanians.

She said, the government has allocated 8bn shillings for the financial year 2018/19 to support research activities in the country.

She directed the Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (Costech) to use the funds for intended purposes and ensure that the research outputs reach targeted individuals or institutions.

She said that the government uses a lot of tax payers' money as well as donor funds to fund research activities adding that researchers and research institutions should focus their research undertakings in providing solutions to societal problems and make impact at grassroots level.

"Scientists and researchers have a pivotal role of supporting the country to attain indotraination dream. The industrial economy we are aspiring to attain, among other things, depends very much on the contribution of science, technology and innovation capacity and capability available among human resources and the knowledge and skills required to produce products and services," she said.

She said that the government through Costech has always ensured that researchers and local innovators benefit from their innovations.

She said that in May this year, the government through Costech disbursed 3.2bn shillings to support eight projects for research infrastructure development and rehabilitation in Tanzania Mainland. Furthermore, in collaboration with the Zanzibar Planning Commission on the same day, Costech released 960 million shillings to support eight projects aiming at finding solution for specific problems in Zanzibar in the areas of sustainable tourism, agribusiness and aquaculture, and non-communicable diseases.

"The government recognizes your contribution in STI, it will therefore



The Minister for Education, Science and Technology Prof. Joyce Ndalichako being briefed by Numwagile Mwajumba from Tanzania Automotive Technology Centre on Coal briquetting machine. Left is the Acting DG for Costech. Photo by Gerald Kitabu

continue supporting the use of STI in order to promote industrialization and competitiveness by allocating sufficient funds as a means to reach middle income economy by 2025," she added.

She directed the academic and research institutions to make use of rural innovators and build capacity for them to effectively and efficiently contribute to the industrial drive and development.

"I would like to see one day, Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) is in Katavi or Pangani grooming up innovators there. Work with district councils to unearth these youth innovators and train them," she said.

Earlier on, Director General for Costech, Dr. Amos Nungu said that commercialization of research and innovation products is one of the areas where costech I putting more emphasis.

"We started in 2012 by Advanced Revolving Loan, for the purpose of supporting research and development institutions to commercialize research results and transfer of technology," he said. He named TEMDO, CAMARTEC, Nyumbu

and MZINGA as some of the applicants of the loan saying unfortunately, the repayment experience was not good. He said that is one of the topical issues to be discussed during the roundtable discussions.

The Vice Chancellor of Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) Prof. Raphael Chibunda said that the academic and research institutions are working to support the government adding that the institutions would adhere to the government directives of ensuring the research results reach the users at the grassroots level.

"We thank the government for the continued support.

In this three day STI conference, we shall share knowledge and experiences and come up with recommendations on how to enhance our research," he said.

In another development, Dr. Nungu reported that the higher education and research institutions network (HERIN) has 28 institutions which are connected to the network with initial bandwidth provided by e-government agency

through TTCL under RCIP.

On the other hand, some of the Tanzania education and research institutions are connected to Africa-Connect, a higher capacity internet network for research and education across Africa.

This is funded by the European Union and African governments and we are currently testing 10Gps speed. Since high speed connectivity is pre-requisite to data intensive research collaborations with international partners, Costech is finalizing the arrangements to inject the bandwidth under Africa-Connect into the HERIN," he said.

Tanzania Tanzania Commission for Science and Technology (COSTECH) is a parastatal organization with the responsibility of co-ordinating and promoting research and technology development activities in the country. It is the chief advisor to the Government on all matters pertaining to science and technology and their application to the socio-economic development of the country

Russia to host high-level Russia-African Union summit

BY KESTER KENN KLOMEGAH

FACED with persistent criticisms, Russia has finally announced it will most likely host the first high-level Russia-African Union forum next year, a replica or a carbon copy of the Forum on China Africa Cooperation or European Union-African Union summit, signalling its readiness to work towards deepening and strengthening multifaceted engagement with Africa.

Working on a new paradigm collaboratively with the African Union, Russia hopes to fill up pitfalls and cracks in the existing relationship, reinforce diplomatic ties and raise its staggering economic profile on the continent similar to the levels of China, India, Japan, South Korea, Turkey, the US and Europe.

On his official visit to Rwanda early June, Foreign Affairs Minister Sergey Lavrov hinted that the forum rolls out a comprehensive strategic roadmap for more economic cooperation and wide-range of investment possibilities, find effective ways of addressing regional security issues and that of improving public diplomacy in Africa.

"We discussed Russia's idea of holding a large African Union business forum with AU member states and Russia to be attended by entrepreneurs and politicians, possibly next year," Lavrov said at a media conference after meeting with Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and East African Community Louise Mushikiwabo in Kigali, Rwanda.

"We have agreed to prepare a framework political document that will set out a concept for cooperation in the next few years and also several practical projects for implementation in the near future. We are now preparing for a meeting of Russian and AU experts," he assertively added.

Just before his African tour early March, Lavrov also told Hommes d'Afrique magazine "we carefully study the practice of summits between African countries and their major partners abroad. At present, Russia's relations with African countries are progressing both on a bilateral basis

and along the line of African regional organisations, primarily the African Union and the Southern African Development Community."

In the interview posted to Ministry of Foreign Affairs website, he said "our African friends note the need for Russia's active presence in the region, and more frequently express interest in holding a Russia-African summit. Such a meeting would undoubtedly help deepen our cooperation on the full range of issues. However, it is necessary to bear in mind that arranging an event of such a scale with the participation of over 50 Heads of State and Government requires most careful preparation, including in terms of its substantive content."

Lavrov acknowledged in the interview: "The economic component of the summit has a special significance in this relation as it would be of practical interest for all the parties. As such, specific Russian participants in bilateral or multilateral cooperation should be identified, which are not only committed to long-term cooperation but are also ready for large-scale investments in the African markets with account of possible risks and high competition. Equally important are African businesspeople who are looking to work on the Russian market."

On 19 May, Lavrov chaired the Foreign Ministry Collegium meeting on the subject "Cooperation with sub-Saharan African countries as part of implementing important tasks of Russian foreign policy." The meeting noted that the consolidation of versatile ties with the sub-Saharan African countries remains a major part of Russia's foreign policy strategy, which is acquiring special significance in the context of deep changes in the global arena.

Some experts and researchers have, of course, identified low enthusiasm and lack of coordinated mechanism as key factors affecting cooperation between Russia and African countries, and suggested that this trend could be reversed if both Russian authorities and African governments get down regularly to serious dialogue with concrete business agenda.



Vladimir Putin

Nearly a decade ago, Themba Mhlongo, Head of Programmes at the Southern Africa Trust, said in an emailed interview that, "there is no effective Russia-African dialogue or mechanism for dialoguing with Africa. On the other hand, Russia has not been as aggressive as China in pursuing opportunities in Africa because Russia has natural resources and markets in Eastern Europe, South West Asia. Russia's key exports to Africa might only be dominated by machinery and military equipment which serves their interest well."

He suggested that Africa must also engage all BRICS [Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa] members equally including Brazil and Russia in order to build alliances and open trade

opportunities including finance and investment opportunities, African countries must not seem to show preferences in their foreign policy in favour of western Europe if they want to benefit from trade relations with Russia. Tellingly, Vadim Trofimovich Kirsanov, an African Affairs Advisor at the Regional Projects Department of Russkiy Mir Foundation, (a non-profit non-governmental Russian organisation that promotes Russian language, literature and culture abroad), in an interview with Buziness Africa Media, discusses the significance of developing bilateral ties not only in economic sphere but also in culture, exchange of people and ideas in the social sphere.

"We must use the full potential interest in Russian culture, Russian

language, mutual sympathy and interest between the peoples of Africa and Russia, a great desire of Russians and Africans to visit each other to make friends, establish new connections. That's where public diplomacy becomes an effective instrument for supporting business dialogue," he said.

Kirsanov noted that the use of new opportunities for mutually beneficial cooperation opened the accession of South Africa to BRICS group, taking into account the economic impact of South Africa on the African continent and the world at large. Besides the intensification of dialogue with the AU, the Russian authorities have the development of multilateral cooperation among African countries with the Russian Federation.

Professor Gerrit Olivier from the Department of Political Science, University of Pretoria in South Africa, noted that Russian influence in Africa, despite efforts towards resuscitation, remains marginal. While, given its global status, it ought to be active in Africa as Western Europe, the European Union, the United States and China are, it is all but absent, playing a negligible role.

"Russia, of course, is not satisfied with this state of affairs. At present diplomacy dominates its approach: plethora of agreements have been signed with South Africa and various other states in Africa, official visits from Moscow proliferate apace, but the outcomes remain hardly discernible," Professor Olivier, previously served as South African Ambassador to the Russian Federation, wrote in an email comment from Pretoria, South Africa.

Be as it may, he indicated further that "the Kremlin has revived its interest in the African continent and it will be realistic to expect that the spade work it is putting in now will at some stage show more tangible results."

In his assessment, Rex Essenowo, a Moscow-based Economic Policy Analyst, pointed out to a known and well-established fact, which Russians have always shrugged off, that there have been many summits and conferences between the United States, European Union and Asian states with Africa, but there has yet to be a single high-level Russia-African summit.

However, he believes that all was not yet lost, there is still an unexplored chance to strengthen Russia's relationship with Africa if, for example, African countries work collectively together as AU to focus on improving all aspects of Russia-African relationship.

Tanzania looks to achieving sustainable industrial development in balanced way

By Muharram Macatta

TRADE fairs are supposed to promote trade and investment nationally and internationally; and show off innovative products at all levels of entrepreneurship. International trade fairs are replete with inter-continental, reputable, large, medium and small-scale businesses, wishing to expand their prospects and get into larger markets to distribute their products and services.

Tanzania's "international" trade fairs are usually filled with the same companies in town; stands inundated with imported consumer products available in the shopping malls. Few institutions show research and development products; and even fewer show interest and the potential to internationalize.

Tanzania has increasingly become, and projects itself as a business hub in East Africa as a result of its functioning democratic system and positive economic development in recent years.

Consequently, Tanzania has been expanding and modernizing air, rail, energy, roads transportation, airports and harbours to meet international standards. Many companies have been showing interest in the Tanzanian and East African market both for export and import.

The rapid industrialization and modernization currently sweeping through many African countries has resulted in an increased demand for capital goods such as machinery, lubricants, spare parts, ball bearings and other automotive mechanical goods and accessories.

The market for automobile spare parts, in particular, has been an attractive sector for global exporters, as Africa has witnessed a remarkable increase in imports by 30% or beyond.

Learning-by-doing may be more



rapid in export industry thanks to the knowledge and technology spillover effects. In addition, the benefits of international trade are mainly generated from the external environment, appropriate trade strategy and structure of trade patterns.

There are comprehensive empirical studies on the impact of trade on economic growth. Before the 1960s, research on trade effects was limited to a few specific countries.

With the development of econometrics, however, many complicated models based on a mathematical model were introduced to analyze the interactive impact between trade and

economic growth.

So far, the discussions in this area have been generally divided into two categories. One focuses on the causal relationship between international trade and economic growth to examine whether economic growth is propelled by international trade or vice versa. The other mainly discusses the contribution of foreign trade to economic growth.

The few companies that are "international" are usually small ones from neighbouring African countries, and without the strong financial backing to make the necessary impact, as far as major trade deals are concerned.

Over the years, many of them have

stopped participating in the SABASABA INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR as far as some of us still recollect.

Perhaps it is time to take a good look at the adage 'international', vis-à-vis the content of the fair and diversity of participants, etc. Such scrutiny should settle on what makes the fair international, the minimum standards set to meet the international name calling, etc.

The numbers are enough to hold one or two large international trade fairs for between two weeks and a month. These can attract wider patronage, and large numbers of visitors, throughout the period of exhibitions.

The Food and Hospitality Fair; the Critical Infrastructure Protection in Oil and Gas (LNG) Fair; Clean Energy and

Environmental Exhibition and Conference; Food and Beverage Tec Fair, Tourism and others, are scheduled separately alone, at AICC in Arusha or Dar es Salaam and recently in Dodoma or Zanzibar.

Business specific Trade Fairs are welcome; however, combined larger fairs are prone to drawing bigger audience, and offer the chance for the business community (and government) to explore other areas they would otherwise not have been the abreast of.

The United Republic of Tanzania is looking for sustainable industrial development in a balanced way. This is evident given the path the Ministry of Trade and Industry has taken in policy formulation and implementation; plus

the role the Minister has played over the years in complementing the efforts of local businesses to grow.

The 5th phase government has become an important voice of private sector businesses, vis-a-vis advocating for the most appropriate policy framework and to build the capacities of local businesses, inter alia.

The public sector in liaison with the Ministry of Trade and Industry, the CTI, and other stakeholders, should collaborate closely in the planning of trade fairs. This cooperation should include widening the scope of participants in Tanzania's "international" trade fairs.

They should focus on strengthening existing partnerships and forging new ones and networks at global, regional and sub-regional levels, towards achieving sustainable industrial development.

To harmonize these efforts, they should integrate all three dimensions of sustainable development - economic, social and environmental -

That enhance productive capacities in a way that supports and transforms the economy, encourages economic growth and creation of decent jobs; enhances productivity and development, particularly the small and medium enterprise sector, micro-industries and new forms of community-based entities.

Invariably, planning partners should aim at building bridges among business communities, and enable business people to join their strengths, and build mutual trust.

Since most developing countries experience difficulties in attracting investment and in assessing the relevant knowledge and solutions to persistent challenges, it is essential to reinforce international cooperation. Trade fairs have a significant role to play in advancing such a cause.

Special Report

Cameroon's anglophone war, Part I: A rifle as the only way out

The line separating fighters from refugees is very thin; their journeys are nearly the same

By Emmanuel Freudenthal

Emmanuel Freudenthal recently became the first journalist to spend time with an anglophone armed group, trekking for a week with them in the sun and rain, across rivers and up steep hills, through dark rainforests and fields of giant grass. In this two-part series, he explores the make-up and motivation of the Ambazonia Defense Forces, and how the civil war brewing in Cameroon is changing the lives of fighters, civilians, and refugees.

Before the army destroyed his village and killed his three brothers, Abang was a farmer and an electrician. Today, he's one of hundreds of anglophone men fighting with hunting rifles and magical amulets against the US- and French-trained Cameroonian army in an attempt to win independence for a new country they call Ambazonia.

Cameroon's anglophone minority has been requesting greater autonomy since former territories held by the British and French were federated into one central African nation in 1961. These demands have become steadily more vocal since the 1980s.

In October 2017, peaceful protests - calling for the use of English in courts and classes - took a turn for the worse when security forces killed dozens of demonstrators and jailed hundreds more. This violence led to the birth of several separatist armed groups that have since killed and kidnapped numerous officials in the Northwest Region and the Southwest Region, the two majority anglophone areas. Abang's group, the Ambazonia Defense Forces, or ADF, is the largest.

More than 180,000 people have been displaced by counter-insurgency operations by Cameroon's security forces, who have killed civilians and burnt down villages. Most of the fight-

ers interviewed by IRIN joined the militia after they were forced to flee their homes.

In a report HYPERLINK "https://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2018/06/cameroon-anglophone-regions-gripped-by-deadly-violence/" "blank" published recently, Amnesty International says separatists have killed at least 44 security forces and attacked 42 schools since February 2017. Some of the attacks on schools were attributed to the Ambazonia Defense Forces by the local population, but Amnesty could not establish that link and a spokesman for the ADF denied the group's involvement. Amnesty also reported allegations that more than 30 people have been arbitrarily killed by security forces, including a high-profile attack on the village of Dadi in December 2017 in which at least 23 people, including minors, were arrested and then severely tortured.

The government has denied allegations of systematic human rights violations by its security forces. It says it is open to dialogue, but insists that the unity of Cameroon is "non-negotiable."

From farmers to fighters
Abang, who is in his 30s, is tall and slightly hunches forward when he sits. His friendliness and quick smile disappear only when he talks about the unfairness that drove him to take up arms. Then, his eyes darken and he gesticulates angrily as he talks. He is wearing a black T-shirt - the only top he possesses, he says.

Abang lives in a camp that consists of a few buildings made from mud, a courtyard (that the fighters call the parade ground), and a couple of bamboo poles on which flags are occasionally hung. There are 50 other fighters in the camp.

"Even if they kill me, there is no problem," explains Abang. "I'm sacrificing my life."

According to the leader of the Ambazonia Defense Forces, Cho Ayaba, his group has 1,500 active soldiers spread over more than 20 camps throughout anglophone Cameroon.



Over the course of a week, IRIN met combatants from several camps and saw about 100 fighters in total. The ADF appears to be the main armed group operating in anglophone Cameroon. Their equipment is poor - they wear flip-flops rather than combat boots.

"We don't want to be slaves anymore."

Around his neck, Abang carries what he calls, with a smirk, a monkey gun. It's a hunting rifle made in Nigeria. To load it is cumbersome: you twist a screw under the barrel so the gun snaps open in the middle, push a cartridge inside the chamber, click the rifle back into place, and finally twist the screw to lock it.

Abang carries half a dozen red hunting cartridges tucked into a belt around his waist. He can't afford more than that. None of the ADF men in Abang's camp have assault rifles; the entire rebel army appears to have barely a dozen of them. That's no match for the

assault weapons carried by the soldiers of the Cameroonian army. They have been trained and equipped by France and the United States for their fight against the Islamist extremist group Boko Haram. Their guns spray hundreds of bullet every minute; Abang can perhaps reload once in that time.

Daily life is difficult, Abang says. There's barely enough space to sleep side by side on the floor of the huts lent to them by the nearby village. There's not enough food, and the river water that they drink is milky with silt.

"We cannot just stand by and watch them killing our people."

For Abang, there's nowhere else to go. The army destroyed his village, sending his whole family fleeing into the bush, where, he believes, they are still hiding. The military then set up a camp in his village, and now he says he can't even go back to tend to his cocoa trees. After fleeing the attack, he wan-

dered around the region, spending some time in a refugee camp in Nigeria. He hasn't seen his wife and children for a long time.

Nearly every ADF soldier has a story like Abang's. And the line separating these soldiers from refugees is very thin; their journeys are nearly the same. Empty villages, angry refugees

More than 180,000 Cameroonians, mostly anglophones, are estimated to have been displaced during just eight months of conflict. This includes 160,000 inside the country and more than 21,000 refugees registered in camps in Nigeria. HYPERLINK "https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/cmr_nw_fa_2018-05_summary_v07_light_0.pdf" according to the UN. Real numbers may be a lot higher because many of them are hiding in the bush or have not yet been reached by humanitarian agencies. IRIN met a dozen would-be refugees in Cameroon and members of another group in Nigeria who claimed they were about 350-strong - none had met UN workers.

Among them is an old woman who sits in the shade of a palm tree - she's one of those displaced by the conflict but still inside Cameroon. Her cane leans against the tree's rough trunk and her legs are stretched out in front of her. She has given birth to 11 children, and raised them. But now they're nearly all gone.

"They've killed my children, 10 children they've killed," she says, in an ethereal voice. Her hands shake slowly, as if rustled by a gentle breeze. Pointing to a woman nearby cradling a baby, she adds: "She's the only one who remains."

The old woman goes on to explain how, a few months earlier, her children had been returning home to their village of Mavas from Akwaya. Army troops stopped them on the road and killed all of them, she says.

The rest of the family fled, moving to a small hut by their farm, a few hours' walk from Mavas. The old woman's surviving daughter explains that she had been pregnant at the time so they couldn't make it the several days' walk

all the way to Nigeria. Now she seems more worried for her mother. "She's been sick," she says, "since her children died."

"I started hearing gunshots." Like many other villages in the anglophone regions, Mavas is now deserted. It used to boast a bustling market where farmers would bring their yams and you could eat some grilled fish and maybe drink a beer. Now, it's completely empty. A couple of schoolgirls who've fled to Nigeria hurry to pack a few clothes they had left behind, before rushing away again.

ADF fighters act as guides through the empty village. Several of them used to live there and, like the old woman, had to flee.

One of the fighters walks into a large house with mud walls and a zinc roof. He opens a door with a broken lock and invites us inside. "This is my room," he says, pointing with his rifle. A mosquito net hangs over a bed without a mattress. "They have carried it away," he explains. "They've spoiled everything."

He recalls the moment the army came in February. He had been playing with his sister's children. Then the troops "just started shooting," he says. He fled, and soon after joined the growing ranks of the ADF.

Ambazonia and independence
Even before the army drove them out of their homes, many of the ADF soldiers were angry. For decades, anglophones have felt marginalised by the centralised francophone government in a country that began as a federation. On 1 October 1961, the southern part of British Cameroons joined the francophone Federal Republic of Cameroon.

Today, Cameroon is officially bilingual, but French is often favoured. The two anglophone regions make up a sixth of the total population, according to the HYPERLINK "http://www.stat.cm/downloads/Statistique/Structure/Evolution_densite_population_Cameroun_region_1987_2013.htm" national statistics office.



National Insurance Corporation managing director Sam Kamanga (L) hands over dummy cheque for 2,678,801/- to Mafinga resident Zainabu Kazimzuri (C) at the Dar es Salaam International Trade Fair at the weekend in respect of her just-matured education insurance cover. With them are other NIC officials. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Govt set to start accrediting public and private hospitals

By Correspondent Mary Kadoke

THE government is set to start accrediting public and private hospitals as a way forward to standardize laboratory qualities in enhancing patients' care and disease prevention.

Deputy minister of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly And Children, Dr. Faustine Ndagulile, unveiled the plan over the weekend when speaking at the 9th scientific conference titled: "The Role of Laboratory Quality: Enhancing Patient Care and Disease Prevention".

Ndagulile said the accreditation decision comes after an outcome of several challenges facing hospital laboratories which are a disadvantage in the government's initiative to fight communicable and non-communicable diseases.

"The rush to executing preventive measures of communicable and non-communicable diseases would be meaningless without standardizing laboratory working environment. There are a lot of poor laboratories, standard operating procedures (SOP's) such as poor data management that challenge the fight," said Ndagulile. In cooperation with Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) at the Department of Pathology, the minister said that the government strategized five aspects as a tactic to enhance patients care and disease prevention in a new drive to scale down communicable diseases.

"First strategy will involve registration. There will be a special entity that will regulate laboratory standards before registration of those standards laboratory

security on documenting results and advanced laboratory machines," he said.

"The other part will involve licencing health centres to ensure standardized health centres also providing education particularly on challenges facing pathologist personalities," he added.

For his part, the official from pathology unit at MUHAS, Charles Massambu said: "We're seeing the necessity of improving quality laboratory management system basing on the daily rise of communicable diseases that harm people's health.

"There is a necessity as far as quality laboratory management system is concerned. Improved diagnosis on communicable diseases such as dengue, chikungunya and influenza will uplift patients' care and disease prevention," he said.

Minister commends quality of local juice manufacturers

By Guardian Reporter

MINISTER for Industry and Trade Charles Mwijage has commended the quality of locally made juice products insisting manufacturers to continue setting the standards in efforts to expand to the African and world market.

Mwijage said that producing good quality products would enable Tanzania to make great strides towards an industrialized and middle income status nation.

He made the remarks in Dar es Salaam over the weekend when speaking at the launch 'African Fruti' juice produced by Bakhresa Food Products Ltd.

"The fresh look and fill of African Fruti resonates with the vibrant African setting and is set to give other countries the fresh fruit taste from Africa-Tanzania", he noted.

Speaking at the launch, Bakhresa Foods CEO, Salim Aziz said "we are honoured to say that over the years, since we started manufacturing juice products, we

have succeeded to give our consumers products of the highest quality. With the refreshed Arican Fruti juices, our commitment is to continue giving our consumers a healthy drink, with the best quality while ensuring availability throughout Africa and beyond".

He added: "we believe with this rebranding our 'African Fruti' juice products will identify as a truly Tanzanian products in the international market, and I would like to emphasize and ensure our customers that the taste and high quality of all our juice products will remain the same."

Aziz noted that plans are underway for Bakhresa Food Products Ltd to start exporting "African Fruti" juice to China and United Arab Emirates (UAE) as the first step beyond Africa.

Corporate affairs director for Bakhresa Group, Hussein Sufian said the company is grateful to its customers for their loyalty throughout the years, and Bakhresa Foods will always be committed to give them

world-class quality products at affordable prices.

"We furthermore remain committed towards empowering Tanzanian fruit farmers by working with them closely to improve their skills so as to increase the quality and quantity of their yields and ultimately grow their income.

"As we have sustainably invested in latest technology we are now ready to take on international competition. We are proud, but we are more so grateful to our key stakeholders to mention a few; the government, our teams, farmers, business partners and customers for travelling with us in this impressive journey" added Sufian.

Bakhresa Food and Beverages Ltd uses 100 per cent seasonal Tanzanian fruits and only imports fruits that are in negligible or no supply in Tanzania. With the company's intent to expand its horizons to China and the UAE, more fruit farmers are bound to benefit even more from this venture.

New solar company mulls transforming life in rural areas

By Anaeli Mbise

THE growing competition in the solar power business in the country yesterday received a new entrant who offers free television set, smart phone and Internet as incentive to customers.

Speaking to the journalist in Dar es Salaam, chief executive officer of the Trend Solar Company Irfan Mirza said that the main reason of launching the program is for the benefit of rural residents that have not yet get access of energy from the government.

Meanwhile, the solar trend will corporate with the government in planning on increasing subsidies for rooftop solar installations to spur further deployment of solar among consumers.

The solar trend company will make sure that the rural residents are entering in the digital form by being offered the smart phone that has a capacity of 4G and a television all this will make them to be aware of digital developments.

The new incentive targets also commercial, industrial, residential, government and institutional

consumers.

In this project according to the CEO are targeting to reach all the African countries that energy is a major problem.

The trend solar company according to CEO have managed to sell more than 500 pieces of solar power to the consumers in Dar es Salaam, Geita and Bagamoyo and now the company is in plan of adding other solar equipment to reach all of the East Africa countries and the main target is to solve out the problem of energy in Africa that is estimated to use more than US\$ 3.1 billion.

In her remarks during the launch of the new solar company, British High Commissioner to Tanzania, Sarah Cooke has suggested the need for investment in solar-powered energy to light-up and address health related challenges facing communities living in rural areas.

Giving example of Lake Tanganyika zone where she did a research and found that most people are using kerosene light that is not much healthier for them this will be a good opportunity for them to use.

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How is Mozambique doing 43 years after its political independence?

By Boaventura Monjane

THE author examines the current socio-economic and political situation of Mozambique after 43 years of the country's independence from Portugal.

This Monday (25 June 2018), Mozambique celebrated 43 years of independence. It was at the dawn of 25 June 1975, that Samora Machel (1933-1986) announced to all Mozambicans, the proclamation of the "total and complete" independence of the country.

While the Portuguese regime lowered the colonial flag, the Liberation Front of Mozambique (Frelimo) vigorously hoisted the flag of the then People's Republic of Mozambique.

The birth of a "State of People's Democracy" was announced, in which, "under the leadership of the alliance of workers and peasants, all the patriotic strata of society would engage in the struggle for the destruction of the colonialism aftermath and imperialism dependency; the annihilation of the exploitation of man by man; the building of the material, ideological, politico-cultural, social and administrative base of the new society", as Machel announced in his Independence Speech.

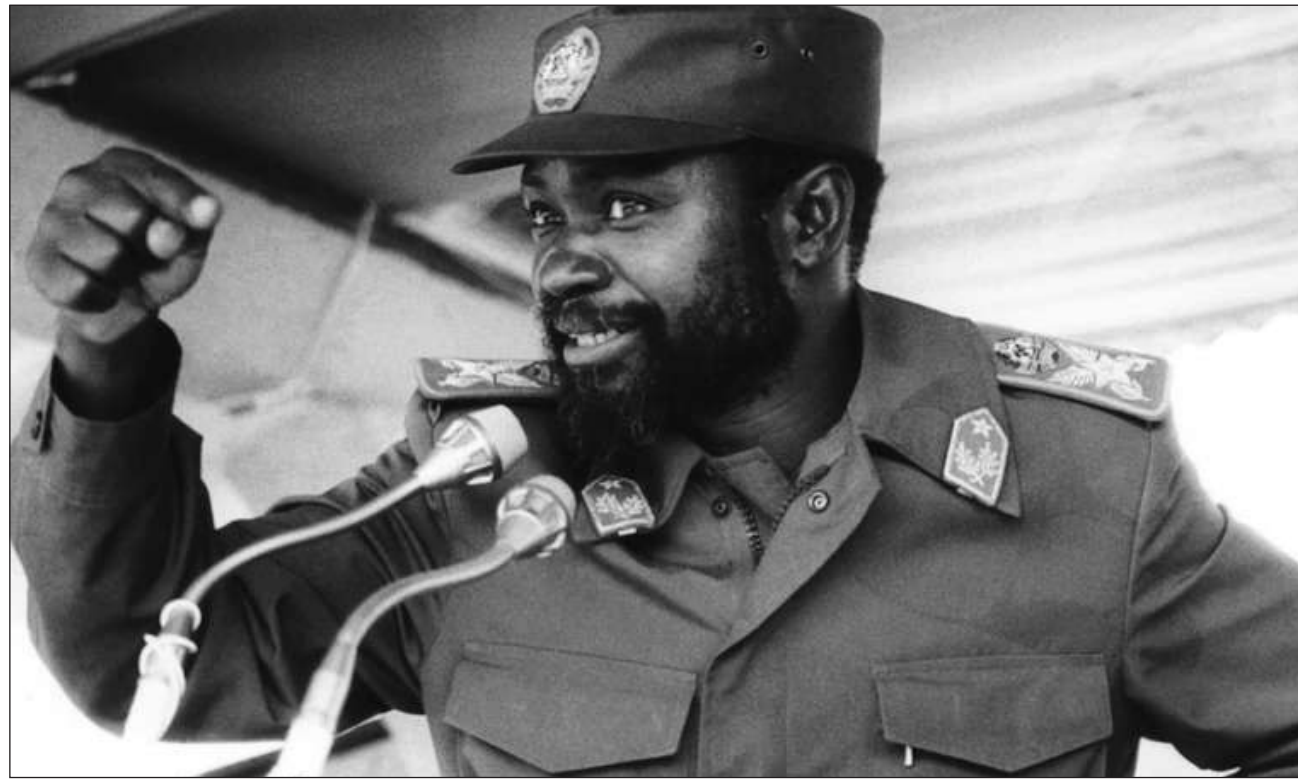
Today, 43 years on, how is Mozambique doing? One of the most significant changes that occurred in Mozambican politics was

the "abandonment" of the socialist project. The civil war that erupted after the independence and later on, the introduction of the Economic Adjustment Programme imposed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank, prompted (to a large extent) such abandonment.

The establishment of neoliberalism, as the dominant political and economic framework, interrupted the industrialisation of the country. The natural resources boom, namely mineral coal, gas, agricultural land and various minerals, has attracted the lust of foreign investors for the extraction of raw material. An "indigenous" oligarchic elite emerged, allying itself with international capital, thus allowing a new configuration in the balance of forces between the state, society and capital.

It is in this context that several transnational corporations arrived in the country. Some refer to this as the new silent colonisation of Africa.

In the last two decades, the country has experienced rapid changes in the political, social and economic spheres. Although its now stagnant economy seemed to be growing at a pleasant pace for a couple of years, the basic functioning of state institutions and the maintenance of essential services never ceased to depend on the "goodwill" of the international donor community,



Samora Machel

through foreign aid.

Since 2016, this aid has become conditional when the IMF and other donors discovered a hidden debt of more than US \$2 billion, contracted in the last months of the leadership of former President Armando Guebuza, who is known for his business mindedness. It is believed that these debts were contracted for military purposes, to protect the government from a militarised political opposition, which pressed for deep institutional changes.

Although much contested, the Mozambican government succeeded in making

this debt sovereign, even if its contracting was not endorsed by Parliament. There is consensus among analysts that the hidden debts have been a bad deal for the country, but the judiciary is not able to prosecute the agents involved.

Today, Mozambique is undergoing a severe economic crisis. This has put the country in a state of vulnerability, allowing the IMF and the international donor community to take advantage of the situation by imposing measures on the Mozambican state. Some call it "interference and disrespect for national sovereignty".

Political participation

Political parties and other small-scaled formations struggle to register or maintain themselves. The political arena is largely dominated by Frelimo - the governing party; the Mozambican National Resistance (Renamo) - the largest opposition party, still militarised; and to a lesser extent, the Mozambican Democratic Movement (MDM), made up mostly of dissidents and discontents of both Renamo and Frelimo. At the moment, the MDM is going through a dangerous crisis, which can put a huge political cost on it, in the upcoming elections

- 2018 and 2019.

A debate for the amendment of the constitution is on-going, in the Mozambican Parliament. The scenario points to the "bipartitism" of politics, giving Frelimo and Renamo greater advantage, especially at the municipal and provincial levels.

The peasantry continues to be the largest social structure and the largest labour force in the country. Although not organised in its totality, it is the only social category that has insisted on a functional articulation at national level for more than three decades, carrying out

direct actions of protest, developing an organic nature and influencing public policies and with important leftist elements within it. An example of this is the National Union of Peasants.

Violence

The levels of access to information and freedom of expression have fallen significantly in recent years. The country fell 26 places in the World's Freedom of Press Index. Human Rights Watch describes "an environment of fear" among activists critical of the government, while Reporters Without Borders describes that there is widespread self-censorship among the media.

People critical of the government are exposed to threats and intimidation and, sometimes, to murder. Through its spokespersons and propagandists, the government has mobilised public opinion about the existence of supposed outsiders behind the protagonism and work of civil society organisations, thus leading it (government) to controlling and shrinking the public space of the civil society.

The north of the country is being plagued by a series of violent attacks of disturbing proportions, attributed to a so-called "Al shabaab of Mozambique". Although the government insists on minimising the impact of these incursions, the events denounce the inability of the national security authorities to control the situation.

It is not out of the equa-

tion, that this may be a resource conflict, a curse of abundance.

Challenges

There is no doubt that since becoming independent, the country has made progress in almost all areas. There are more universities, improved infrastructure, more opportunities, but huge challenges still exist. One of them is the absence of a political alternative that mobilises leftist elements, which exist in several sectors, although scattered. A social and political movement that unifies these elements - popular movements, academia, unions, and non-organisational activism - may be necessary for the development of a popular project that would consider alternatives to save the country from neoliberalism and defend it from the on-going plundering.

Until then, Frelimo keeps using its contextual prerogative to perpetuate itself in power, taking advantage of the weaknesses of the opposition and a civil society that increasingly "does not want to debate politics".

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Making case for new relationship between NGOs and the media

By Simon O'Connell

YUMBE is about as far north and west in Uganda as it is possible to go. A dozen years ago I worked in this part of Africa, and I went back there recently. Much has changed. Four years of civil war in neighbouring South Sudan has created two million refugees, half of whom have crossed into Uganda. They are trying to rebuild their lives among Ugandan communities that are themselves struggling against poverty.

But where you might expect to see strife, we are seeing how the combination of South Sudanese and Ugandans is sparking enterprise and beginning to drive growth. Spending and investment by refugees is supporting more businesses, and the increased economic activity is bringing opportunities to a part of Uganda that was previously remote and cut off from significant markets.

To facilitate this, organisations like mine, Mercy Corps, are promoting land sharing between refugees and host communities,

subsidising seed purchases from local agro-dealers, improving agro-dealers' ability to access quality seeds from national companies, and working to attract produce trading companies to the area. We are working with the private sector, local government and other aid organisations to support not just individual people, but the market systems on which they rely and can build for the future.

Elsewhere around the world, we have run reinsurance programmes, set up dozens of micro-finance initiatives, established the first tech start-up incubator and accelerator in Gaza, and formed a public private partnership to provide a water system for over a million people in the Democratic Republic of Congo. By working through markets, the scale of impact is enormous.

But we have a problem: traditionally, our work has been labelled 'charity', a word that means 'an organisation set up to provide help and raise money for those in need' or 'the voluntary giving of help, typically in the form of money, to those in need'. It is a word that has also become synonymous with emergency relief and 'handouts'.

In Yumbe and elsewhere, though, Mercy Corps and others are engaged in intricate social and economic activity to help deliver lasting change. To describe this work as 'charity' doesn't really cut it. But, we largely have ourselves to blame. Our ability to communicate what we do has been found wanting. When it comes to aid, we think that the public and politicians have little appetite for complexity or potential failures. So we portray ourselves as simple 'charities' - raising money to give to the needy - not the complicated agents of social change that we actually aspire to be.

This has consequences for the relationship between aid agencies and the media - a relationship that has increasingly resembled a battlefield. Few things set journalists going like the scent of inconsistency and hypocrisy - and by presenting ourselves as we have, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have made themselves a target. In turn, we have responded to media attacks by becoming increasingly wary and defensive.

There are other consequences, too. The Edelman Trust Barometer - a survey of more than 33,000 respondents - earlier this year found that NGOs are viewed negatively or neutrally in 21 of the 28 countries surveyed. In the UK, trust in NGOs stood at only 46 per



cent. Negative stories about aid continue to eat away at how our sector is perceived.

This should come as no surprise. If we present ourselves as 'charities', it is little wonder the media criticise us and people mistrust us when they see us doing things they don't expect. If we want to regain trust we need to communicate better what we do, and what the work of modern NGOs actually involves. But we can't do that without the media. It is through the media that the world is represented and our role in helping to shape it. We in the NGO sector need to find a way to work with the media without metaphorically coming to blows. In a decline in trust, NGOs and the media have some common ground. The Edelman Trust Barometer also found that media are trusted less than both businesses and government, the first time that has happened in the survey's 18-year history. This is mostly driven by the growth of 'fake news' and the public's acknowledgement that they find it difficult to tell fact from fiction. Within this general crisis of trust, the media are suffering too.

So, is it time to take a different view of the relationship between NGOs and the media? Instead of frequently behaving as if we are on opposite sides, we could instead view ourselves as mutually supportive - both important parts of a functioning democratic society. A strong and independent press is an essential counterbalance to govern-

ment and the private sector. So is a range of non-governmental organisations, backed up by a commitment to freedom of speech. Between us, NGOs and the media are vital for building social capital, trust and shared values that help hold society together.

If we could see the relationship between aid agencies and the media in that way, some real changes might be possible. Organisations like mine should do more to avoid presenting ourselves simplistically as 'charities', but instead take responsibility for representing the complexity of the challenges we seek to solve and the diversity of our work. No-one knows better than we do that the aid sector is not perfect. We should commit to increased transparency in explaining the realities of what we do.

In turn, more media organisations should stop viewing aid agencies simply as a target for exposing hypocrisy and scandal. That does not mean the media should stop looking critically at what aid agencies are doing but, with the straw man of 'simple charity' removed, they should commit to exploring the realities of aid work objectively.

If we can realise this shift in thinking not only would it benefit communities here in the UK and abroad. It would also go some way to addressing our common problem - by restoring trust in all of us.

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Crossword puzzle grid with some letters filled in: M, A, Y, O, R, A, G, I, N.

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Doodle pad

Small grid with numbers: 174, 528, 639, 956, 341, 827, 382, 769, 415, 425, 613, 978, 718, 495, 263, 639, 872, 541, 263, 987, 154, 591, 234, 786, 847, 156, 392.

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ADVICE

FIs, regulators counseled to design market demanded products, services

By Francis Kajubi

FINANCIAL institutions in the country have been required to design products and services after undertaking market surveys to get data on demand of the same.

Speaking at a workshop christened 'FinDisrupt Regulator,' held in Mbeya city last week, Financial Sector Deepening Trust's Executive Director, Sostheness Kewe said financial institutions should design human centered products which are demanded and can easily be accessed by clients.

"Data obtained from the consumers' point of view when designing new innovative products is very crucial. Players must insist on human centered products which are relevant in the market," said Kewe.

The workshop brought together regulators from Bank of Tanzania (BOT), Ministry of Finance and Planning, Zanzibar's Ministry of Finance and Planning, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment, Tanzania Insurance Regulatory Authority (TIRA), Tanzania Association of Micro Finance Institutions.

Kewe also urged regulators to consider public opinion and key players' views before coming up with new policies and regulations governing the industry so that they help grow the industry.

Tanzania Bankers Association (TBA) Executive Director Tuse Joune said the workshop was a good idea as the financial sector is an important ingredient in the economic

growth hence concerns many people.

"With reference to Tanzania FinScope Survey 2017, banks have many products but the majority of them don't benefit the final consumer. TBA will play its role on this matter as far as policies and regulations are concerned," Joune said.

In line with policy and regulations, the TBA chief proposed that some changes such as reducing the cost of financial service delivery will help consumers access such products and services easily.



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The Micro Insurance Coordinator from TIRA, Ancellmi Anselmi said the workshop reshaped stakeholders' approaches, interventions and information on what is happening in market.

Organized by FSDT under the workshop brought together financial sector regulators and key players in the market to discuss how banks and other financial institutions can design products and services for the market.



A Dar es Salaam based boy, Seth Stephen receiving a coin bank from NMB Bank Plc's official, Faraja Mabena as a way of encouraging him to nurture a culture of saving money while his father, Stephen Mwaisabila looks on in Dar es Salaam over the weekend. Photo: courtesy of NMB Bank.



Senior officials from ABINBEV celebrating the launch of Budweiser beer in the local market with from right, Marketing Manager, Sam Hooper, Brand Manager, Amou Majok, Procurement Director, Gareth De Gee and Planning Officer, Liberatus Kalage during a launching ceremony held at TBL Iiala Plant in Dar es Salaam over the week end. Photo: Guardian Photographer.

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Vodacom lures DITF shoppers with Tecno Faya, Itel Gado smartphones

By Guardian Reporter

TECH savvy visitors to Vodacom Tanzania Plc's pavilion at the 42nd Dar es Salaam International Trade (DITF) will own a Tecno Faya or Itel Gado smartphone being sold at giveaway prices.

In a statement yesterday, the leading mobile phone service company said the two handsets are among new and

rewarding products available to customers at the Sabasaba grounds. "These two flagship smartphones, with the latest technologies, are priced very attractively to suit the every Tanzanian, and will be on sale with an instant 10 percent cash back offer for purchases made via M-Pesa during Sabasaba eve," said Happiness Macha, Vodacom's Retail Operations

Manager.

Macha said Vodacom intends to take full advantage of the annual trade showpiece to cement its position at the forefront of the local market and also get face-to-face interaction with its customers through a range of special offers.

"We believe our customers deserve the very best - the best network, the best customer ser-

vice experience and certainly, rewards that they really want. Therefore, we encourage our visitors to participate in fun competitions to stand a chance to win new handsets, prizes as well as buy new smartphones for as little as 65,000/-," she added.

Apart from the 10 percent cash back offer for M-Pesa purchases of the two flagship

smartphones, customers visiting the company's pavilion at the Sabasaba grounds should expect to be able to purchase various other smartphones and devices on offer at competitive prices.

Vodacom Tanzania also has customer care agents present at the fair grounds to deal with customers' needs like selling new simcards, register lines

and raise various queries. All purchases made during this campaign will qualify the customer into a draw in which they can win new handsets or other attractive prizes.

"This is an exciting year for us as we celebrate some incredible milestones in Vodacom's history. We wish to share that excitement with our customers and this occasion is the perfect

opportunity for that. So I call on all mobile phone users to visit us and enjoy the Vodacom experience," the Retail Operations Manager concluded.

Vodacom Tanzania Plc is the only mobile phone services company listed at Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange and is the largest in the domestic market with over 12 million subscribers.

FORECAST

Acacia Mining chief confident of attaining 2018 gold production target

By Guardian Reporter

DESPITE encountering different challenges since last year, Acacia Mining Plc is on course to meet its 475,000 ounces gold production this year.

Interim CEO, Peter Geleta said in a statement last Friday that the gold miner's second quarter performance has been encouraging.

"We are pleased to report another strong operating performance in the second quarter, delivering group production of 133,778 ounces which led to an increase in the group's cash balance of US\$13 million to US\$120 million," Geleta said.

He added, "In achieving first half production of 254,759 ounces we are on track to achieve the top end of our guidance range of 435,000-475,000 ounces for 2018 and continue to demonstrate the resilience that we have built within our business."

The CEO however noted that the

group's gold production for the quarter of 133,778 ounces was a 36 percent decrease compared to similar quota in 2017 when 208,533 ounces were realised, primarily driven by the move to reduced operations at Bulyanhulu and to stockpile processing at Buzwagi.

Gold ounces sold for the quarter of 134,090 ounces were slightly above gold produced for the quarter as a result of the timing of shipments, Geleta's statement pointed out.

At North Mara, gold production for the quarter of 85,920 ounces was 3 percent higher than that of second quarter in 2017 when 83,110 ounce, mainly due to 4 percent higher head grades compared to Q2 2017, driven by higher grades from Gokona Underground.

At Buzwagi, gold production of 37,415 ounces for Q2 this year was 44 percent lower than in Q2 in 2017 (66,227 ounces) as a result of production now being derived solely from lower grade ore stockpiles due

to the effective completion of the open pit.

At Bulyanhulu, all gold production continued to be from the retreatment of tailings as a result of the move to reduced operations at the mine in late 2017.

As a result, gold production for the quarter amounted to 10,443 ounces, 82 percent below Q2 2017's overall production result (59,196 ounces), but 18 percent higher than production from tailings retreatment in Q2 2017 (8,856 ounces), the statement added.

The cash balance as at 30 June 2018 amounted to US\$120 million and increased by US\$13 million during the quarter, with net cash increasing to approximately US\$63 million at period end.

Acacia Mining Plc (LSE:ACA) is the UK holding company of the Acacia Group, Tanzania's largest gold miner and one of the largest producers of gold in Africa.



Acacia Mining Plc's interim CEO, Peter Geleta

RECOGNITION

Cigarettes company decorates longest serving employees

By Guardian Reporter

SEVENTY seven employees of Tanzania Cigarettes Company Public Limited Company (TCC Plc) who have been on the job for between 5-40 years have been recognised with special awards.

The special occasion took place at TCC Club Chang'ombe during the company's annual family day held in Dar es Salaam over the weekend.

Speaking during the occasion, TCC Logistics Manager, Rauya Paskas, who was also the day's preparatory committee Chairman, said they were celebrating various achievements made by the employees and recognize their long service at the cigarettes manufacturer.

"This exercise will subsequently take place in TCC branches country-wide to motivate employees and enable them continue their hard work," Paskas said.

Out of 77 employees, 31 have served

for five years, 29 for 10 years, six for 20 years, two for 25 years, six for 30 years, two for 35 years and one special employee, Omari Salum was decorated after being on the job for a record 40 years.

Omari said he attributes his long service to humility, devotion and cooperation with other staff members.



This has made my life at TCC easy and enjoyable as I get all the cooperation that I need from management and my fellow staff

"I started at the age of 18 when I had just completed standard seven and I was working in the canteen as a casual labourer. Slowly I got an opportunity to learn new things and later I was of-

fered a permanent position," he stated while also praising TCC Plc management for valuing employees' welfare and appreciating their efforts.

Kassim Rashid, who has served the company for 35 years attributed his long service to hard work and understanding what is expected of him in terms of delivery. "This has made my life at TCC easy and enjoyable as I get all the cooperation that I need from management and my fellow staff," Rashid said.

Doreen Charles, TCC Procurement Lead, who was recognized for being on the job for a decade also attributed her success to good peer cooperation and management encouragement. "We as long serving employees provide testimony that TCC is indeed an outstanding employer that has invested in people," Charles said.

She said TCC management's good handling of employees is the reason behind being named as "Top employer in Tanzania and Africa," as recently announced at the Top Employer Awards.



TCC's longest serving employee, Omar Salum opens champagne to mark his 40 years of service at the cigarettes manufacturer during a ceremony to recognise such employees held at TCC Club Chang'ombe in Dar es Salaam during the weekend while his fellow staff cheer him up. To his right is TCC Plc General Manager and CEO, Alan Jackson.

CONTROVERSY

Zambia says it owes Mozambique US\$53m in electricity imports and not US\$70m

LUSAKA

Zambia owes Electricidade de Mozambique (EDM) US\$53 million and not US\$70 million dollars for electricity imports, the country's Energy Minister Mathews Nkhuwa has clarified. Zambia stopped importing emergency power from Mozambique in January when the two-year contract ended, he added.

Mathews Nkhuwa says it has been planned for Zesco to pay Electricity of Mozambique US\$53 million to settle an outstanding debt for power im-

port. Last week, some media sections reported that Electricity of Mozambique (EDM) had suspended power supply to Zesco following a debt of US\$70 million.

In Parliament yesterday, during questions for oral answer, Mazabuka Central UPND member of parliament Gary Nkombo asked Nkhuwa (a) why Electricidade de Mozambique (EDM) has suspended the supply of electric power to Zesco Limited, (b) how many megawatts were being imported by Zesco Limited (c) what the impact of the suspension of power

supply on the Zambian electricity consumers is and, (d) what the way forward on the matter was.

In response, Nkhuwa explained that in 2014/2016, Zambia experienced severe drought, leading to low water levels in the dams.

"This led to the country experiencing a power deficit of more than 1,000 mega watts. The power deficit made Zesco effecting... load-shedding in order to preserve water in the dams and thus, avoid a complete shutdown of generating plants. In an effort to enhance power supply in

the country and mitigate the power deficit which had resulted in massive load-shedding, the government of the Republic of Zambia, through Zesco, procured emergency power imports in order to keep the economy running, especially in the mining, SMEs and agriculture industries," Nkhuwa noted.

"I wish further to state that the power import contract [between] EDM and Zesco expired in January 2018 and was not suspended as reported by the media. Zesco decided not to renew the power import con-

tract because we had and still have sufficient water in the dams, [for] Kariba North and Kafue Gorge power stations, to generate enough electricity to meet national demand following good rainfall in 2017 and in 2018."

He added that Zesco Limited contracted EDM to supply 150 mega watts over a two-year period, starting from January 2016 to January 2018. "The country has enough electricity to meet national demand and therefore, there is no impact [of the 'suspension' of EDM contract] on the consumer.

PROGRESS

NBS: Nigeria's unemployment rate dropped by 1.1% in Q1 2018

ABUJA

NBS: Nigeria's Unemployment rate dropped by 1.1% in Q1 2018 - Unemployment in the country reduced by 1.1 per cent in the first three months of this year, data obtained from the National Bureau of Statistics on Friday showed.

According to the statistical bulletin on formal employment and earnings for the first quarter of 2018, the average formal employment increased from 48,192 in the last quarter of 2017 to 48,708 in the first quarter of 2018, while the average earnings also increased by four per cent.

The NBS said when compared with the same quarter in 2017, the formal employment and earnings showed an improvement 5.4 per cent and 7.9 per cent, respectively.

"Increase in employment numbers in the first quarter of 2018 were recorded in the following industries: public administration and defence; compulsory social security; activities of households as employers of domestic personnel; transportation and storage; administrative and support services activities; wholesale and retail trade; and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles," the bulletin



It added that decreases were recorded in the activities of extraterritorial organisations and bodies, other service activities, and financial and insurance activities, when compared to the same quarter in the previous year. The NBS bulletin revealed that average earnings by sector in first quarter of 2018 were highest in the government sector and lowest in the private sector.

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Data from the NBS showed that employment in the private, parastatal and government sectors stood at 31,276; 7,420 and 10,012, respectively, while earnings stood at 10,948; 15,310 and 16,941, respectively.

Of the employment numbers, the bulletin stated that "97.5 per cent are local workers, while 2.5 per cent are expatriates."

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According to the NBS, an analysis of earnings by industry shows that among all the industry groups, the average earnings were highest in the financial and insurance activities industry, followed by the information and communications industry.

INTEGRATION

Fair will expand trade between S. Africa and the rest of Africa

JOHANNESBURG

Intra-Africa trade has received a boost following a \$1 billion injection to finance programmes that will expand trade and investment between South Africa and the rest of Africa.

African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) and the Export Credit Insurance Corporation (ECIC) of SA - a company that provides political and commercial risk insurance to South African exporters - signed the deal in Johannesburg last month, announcing the first Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF), which will be held in Cairo from December 11 to 17.

The trade deal came about after 44 of Africa's 54 countries signed the landmark Continental Free Trade Area (CFTA) in Nairobi, Kenya, in March to increase trade among African countries, which is relatively low compared with other regions.

Intra-African trade stands at 18% while trade in the EU and Asia is about 60%. With 1.2 billion people in Africa, the CFTA will create one of the largest free trade market zones in the world since the World Trade Organisation was created in 1995.

Afreximbank president Benedict Oramah said the bank and the ECIC would work together to identify, prepare and appraise trade transactions and projects. The two institutions, he said, would explore

co-financing and risk-sharing opportunities and share knowledge - with particular emphasis on intra-Africa trade matters - through technical

cooperation, staff exchange, research and joint events.

"The joint initiative will support businesses through capacity building and market-information initiatives, and will help small and medium-sized entrepreneurs to join regional supply chains," Oramah said.

"It will also provide advisory services and guarantees to South African investors seeking trade and investment opportunities in Afreximbank African member countries," he said.

Oramah said the initiative provided a platform for the realisation of Afreximbank's strategic objectives to prioritise intra-Africa trade, industrialisation and export manufacturing. ECIC CEO Kutoane Kutoane said: "We realise that one of the best ways to enhance our exporting capabilities as a country is by intensifying mutually beneficial trade with the rest of the continent."

The signing ceremony also served as a platform to introduce and discuss the IATF being organised by Afreximbank and the African Union in Cairo, Egypt, from December 11 to 17. IATF will be an annual event, bringing key players under one roof to share information and explore opportunities in one another's countries in sectors, such as manufacturing, logistics, engineering, construction, tourism, entertainment, information and communication technology, heavy industries, finance, and agriculture. The aim is to create a digital repository and platform to link buyers and sellers.



Zambian Energy Minister, Mathews Nkhuwa.



Afreximbank President, Dr Benedict Oramah.

CONFRONTATION

May leads UK to soft Brexit, telling Cabinet to back her or go

LONDON

UK Prime Minister Theresa May imposed her vision of a soft Brexit on her divided Cabinet, pleasing business with a plan to keep close trade ties to the European Union and telling insolent ministers to get behind her or resign.

Her plan, which would set up a free-trade area with the EU and mirror EU rules for goods and food, goes against much of what pro-Brexit Cabinet ministers have long demanded. But after months of threatened resignations or leadership challenges, none have so far materialised. It's a victory for May, long written off as a weak and indecisive leader with no authority, and a win for business, which has stepped up its lobbying efforts in recent weeks, with household names warning of the dire consequences of a messy divorce. Business lobbies welcomed her plan.

So did chief EU negotiator Michel Barnier, though he still needs to look at the details, many of which he won't like. But there were messages in the Cabinet's statement aimed directly at unblocking talks, which have been all but stalled since March and are meant to be wrapped up in just 15 weeks.

"This proposal should allow both parties to resolve the remaining Withdrawal Agreement issues," according to the statement, which was issued by May's office while her ministers were still locked up at her country house without their phones.

May is not out of the woods. But even Jacob Rees-Mogg, the outspoken Brexit hardliner who commands enough support in Parliament to trigger a leadership challenge, reserved judgment the morning after, while suggesting he wasn't happy.



Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May.

Brexit-backing lawmakers expressed their frustration in WhatsApp chats, but none has yet come forward to call for May to go. Former Tory leader Iain Dun-

can Smith on WhatsApp said: "I want to know what the Brexit Cabinet ministers were doing." Another pro-Brexit Conservative lawmaker, Andrew Bridgen, told Bloomberg: "This looks like a weak form of Brexit even before the EU nego-

tiators weaken it further."

Clearing a path

May's plan keeps the UK tied to EU rules for goods, but able to diverge on services - and the Cabinet acknowledges that will mean

financial services won't have the same access as before. It appears to have dropped an earlier proposal for "mutual recognition" of regulation for financial services.

The EU has objected already to partial access to its single market, saying the UK can't pick and choose the bits it wants. It's all or nothing. May's plan also leaves the door open to some flexibility on EU immigration but stops far short of the EU's demand that free movement of people is a non-negotiable aspect of single market membership.

Her proposal on goods also aims to solve the problem of the Irish border, which remains the major sticking point in talks with Brussels. The EU demands a hard stop, or guarantee, that no back border will emerge on the island after the divorce but neither side can agree on how that last-resort clause should be worded. The Cabinet says the new plan means the backstop will never have to

be brought into effect, though the UK will sign the legal text "none-theless." This, the Cabinet says, will help unblock negotiations.

Irish Foreign Minister Simon Coveney on Saturday said the UK text "needs and deserves detailed consideration." If May keeps her Cabinet ministers and lawmakers on board over the summer and into the final stage of talks, then a path appears to be opening up to an orderly divorce.

The final trade deal doesn't need to be agreed until after Brexit day next year. All the two sides need to agree now is to a legally binding divorce deal - which is nearly there apart from the Irish border issue - and then a non-binding political statement setting out what the two sides want the future trade deal to look like.

A vote in Parliament this autumn will be May's last big test of her Brexit plan, and that's an opportunity for pro-Brexit opponents to try to bring her down.

TRADE WAR

Copper's price collapse deepens as Trump escalates spat

LONDON

Copper's flashing a powerful warning about expectations for global growth as the trade war between the world's two biggest economies escalates.

Prices have lost more than \$1 000 a metric ton since touching a four-year high on June 7 in the steepest four-week loss since 2011. Copper fell with most metals Friday as US president Donald Trump slapped tariffs on \$34 billion of Chinese imports, prompting the Asian country to retaliate in kind.

"Metal prices have dropped tremendously in the past few weeks, and investors are very nervous about whether this will escalate into a full global trade war," Casper Burgering, senior sector economist at ABN Amro Bank NV, said by phone from Amsterdam. "That nervousness is reflected in the copper price especially, given its role as a barometer of the global economy."

Copper fell 1.1% to \$6 270 at 2:39 pm on the London Metal Exchange, heading for the biggest weekly slump since 2015. Prices are down 13% in the past month.

Metals have performed poorly in recent weeks, with zinc entering a bear market, on concern that the litany of trade disputes initiated by Trump will escalate and harm the global economy and demand for commodities. In the run-up to today's tariffs, Bank of England Governor Mark Carney said the rise of protectionism will hurt trade flows, push up import costs, and impact confidence, investment and demand. Chinese market

The yuan's recent slump and signs of deteriorating sentiment in China have also contributed to copper's slide, but by year-end tighter supplies should help prices rebound, ABN Amro's Burgering said.

"Over the summer, prices will remain very volatile and I don't see any uptick in the next few months, but by the fourth quarter the fundamentals will take control again," he said.

If conditions deteriorate dramatically in the Chinese market, authorities there will look to stimulate the economy to prop up growth, analysts at BMI Research said in an emailed note. While that's unlikely to increase infrastructure spending directly, it would support economic growth and therefore metals demand, they said.

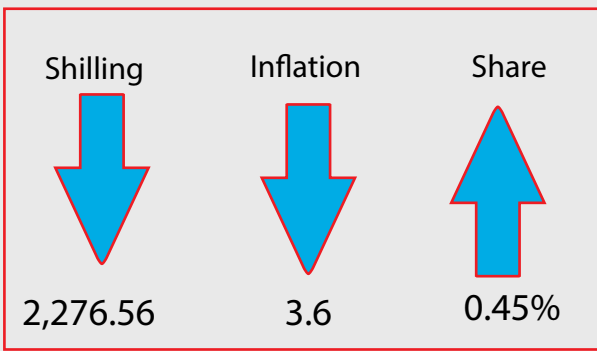
Lead, nickel and tin declined on Friday, while aluminum was little changed and zinc rose. On Thursday, the LME's metals index dropped to the lowest since August 2017. The gauge's 14-day relative-strength index is way below 30, a signal to some chart watchers that prices could be poised to rebound.



Copper round bars on display.

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10:00 Tomorrow today rpt	
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11:00 Iron chef rpt	
12:00 Kino rpt	
12:30 Bundesligga Kick Off rpt	
13:00 In Good Shape rpt	
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Total Market Capitalization
TZS 22,176.60 bln (USD 9,784.79 mln)
Indices July 6, 2018

TSI	4,183.73	+0.00
DSEI	2,300.71	+17.16

Top Movers

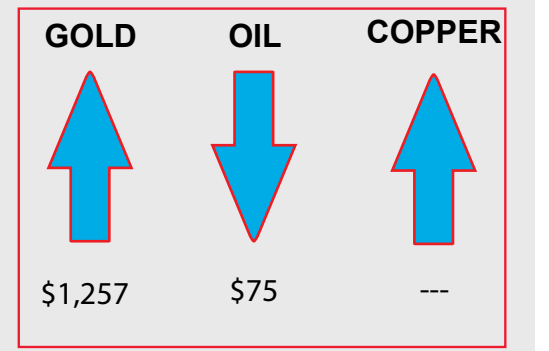
Company	Price	Volume
VODA	800	90,000
CRDB	160	31,380
TBL	16,500	28,337

THIS WEEK AVERAGE PRICES FOR FOOD CROPS TSH/100KG

Maize	44740.91	Finger Millet	150681.82
Rice	178469.57	Wheat	125057.14
Sorghum	95630.00	Beans	180727.27
Bulrush Millet	84098.18	Irish potatoes	78227.27

Exchange Rates (DSE)

Currency	Buying	Selling
EUR	2,614.18	2,641.23
USD	2,255.16	2,277.71
KES	22.35	22.52
GBP	2,948.39	2,979.02



Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange

Date: July 6, 2018

Company	Closing	Prev	Chg (%)
ACA	3,765	3,785	-0.53
CRDB	160	160	+0.00
DCB	340	340	+0.00
DSEI	1,600	1,600	+0.00
EABL	4,900	4,835	+1.34
JHL	11,355	11,355	+0.00
KA	255	250	+2.00
KCB	1,045	1,015	+2.96
MBP	590	590	+0.00
MCB	500	500	+0.00
MKCB	800	800	+0.00
MUCOB	400	400	+0.00
NICO	200	200	+0.00
NMB	2,750	2,750	+0.00
NMG	2,025	2,000	+1.25
PAL	470	470	+0.00
SWALA	500	500	+0.00
SWIS	3,500	3,500	+0.00
TBL	16,500	16,500	+0.00
TCC	17,000	17,000	+0.00
TCCL	1,020	1,020	+0.00
TICL	450	450	+0.00
TOL	780	780	+0.00
TPCC	1,640	1,640	+0.00
TTP	120	120	+0.00
USL	30	30	+0.00
VODA	800	800	+0.00
YETU	600	600	+0.00

DSE MARKET SUMMARY

TSI	4,183.73	+0.00
DSEI	2,300.71	+17.16

TRADING STATS

Market Cap (bln)	22,176.61
Equity Turnover	552,025,900.00
Total Volume	165,283
Total Deals	44

TOP MOVERS

Company	Price	Volume
VODA	800	90,000
CRDB	160	31,380
TBL	16,500	28,337

GAINERS & LOSERS

Company	Price	Change
ACA	3,765	-0.53%
KA	255	+2.00%
NMG	2,025	+1.25%
KCB	1,045	+2.96%
EABL	4,900	+1.34%

Interbank Foreign Exchange Market (IFEM)

Date	Amount Traded (Mn USD)	High	Low	Weighted Average
6/Jul/2018	12.70	2,278.00	2,274.20	2,276.56
5/Jul/2018	5.45	2,278.50	2,274.15	2,276.65
4/Jul/2018	20.85	2,278.00	2,274.05	2,277.09
3/Jul/2018	6.50	2,280.00	2,273.15	2,277.42
2/Jul/2018	13.85	2,281.00	2,273.15	2,277.61
29/Jun/2018	4.80	2,279.40	2,273.15	2,277.97
28/Jun/2018	4.20	2,280.00	2,273.10	2,277.71

Inter-bank Local Money Markets

Date	Volume (million-TZS)	High	Low	Weighted Average Rate (WAR)
6/Jul/2018	25,500	2.50	1.00	1.88
5/Jul/2018	15,500	2.50	1.00	2.16
4/Jul/2018	27,000	2.35	1.00	1.91
3/Jul/2018	30,000	2.35	1.00	2.13
2/Jul/2018	35,500	2.50	1.00	1.96

Tanzania Shilling On Average bases

The USDTZS increased 1,000 or 0.04% to 2,270.0000 on Thursday July 5 from 2,269.0000 in the previous trading session. Historically, the Tanzania Shilling reached an all time high of 2287 in April of 2018 and a record low of 1014.30 in December of 2004.

Gold down but off session lows as dollar weakens

- * Spot gold up 0.2 percent for the week
- * Tariffs on \$34 bln of Chinese goods kick in

NEW YORK/LONDON, July 6 (Reuters) - Gold fell on Friday, but bounced off session lows as the dollar weakened and equities rose, yet bullion was on track for a small weekly gain amid escalating U.S.-Sino trade tensions.

The dollar fell after data showed the U.S. unemployment rate increased and wages grew less than forecast in June even as the economy created more jobs than expected. Wage growth is a closely watched signal of potential inflation that could prompt more interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve.

A weak dollar tends to lift gold, making the greenback-priced metal cheaper for non-U.S. investors.

U.S. tariffs on \$34 billion worth of Chinese goods took effect on Friday, while China's commerce ministry retaliated with 25 percent tariffs on \$34 billion worth of U.S. imports.

The markets absorbed imposition of the tariffs calmly, with stocks edging higher. Rising stock markets pressure gold prices by reducing safe-haven demand for the precious metal.

"The tariffs were already priced in," said RJO Futures' Josh Graves. "Gold needs more than a trade war to push it higher. It needs volatility in equities, weaker economic data, a dovish Fed."

Spot gold was down 0.2 percent at \$1,254.45 oz by 1:35 p.m. EDT (1735 GMT), off the session low of \$1,252.15 and

headed for its first weekly gain in four weeks.

U.S. gold futures for August delivery settled down \$3, or 0.2 percent, at \$1,255.80 per ounce.

"Gold needs to see closes above \$1,275-\$1,280 before it finds any support," Graves said.

On Thursday, minutes of the Federal Reserve's June 12-13 policy meeting showed that U.S. central bankers expressed concerns global trade tensions could hit an economy perceived as strong.

"Traders are extremely cautious when it comes to gold. The intraday price-action has a bullish set-up and shows that the price has potential to test the level of \$1,280 in the coming days if the dollar weakness continues," ThinkMarkets chief market analyst Naem Aslam said.

India's gold imports fell for a sixth month in June to 44 tonnes, provisional industry data showed.

Silver gained 0.2 percent at \$16.01 an ounce, and platinum fell 0.1 percent to \$841.24, both heading for a 0.3 percent weekly drop.

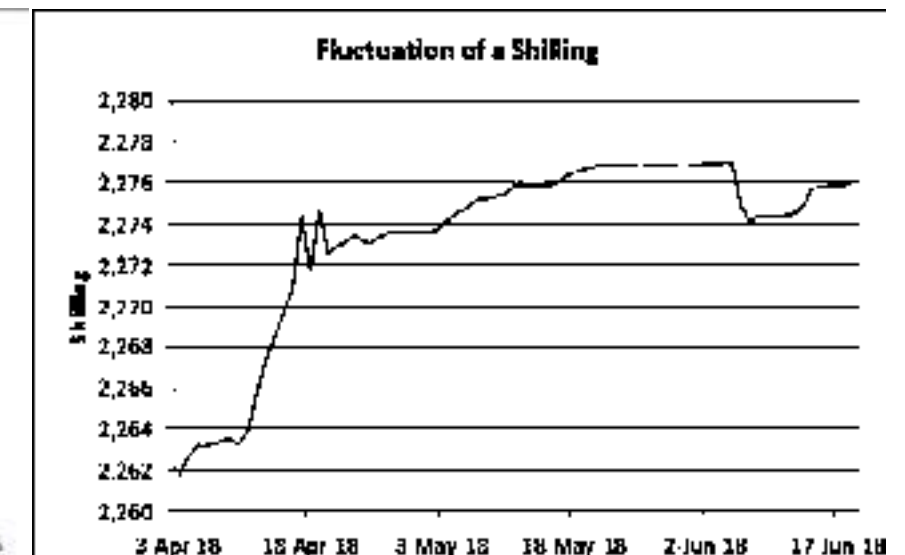
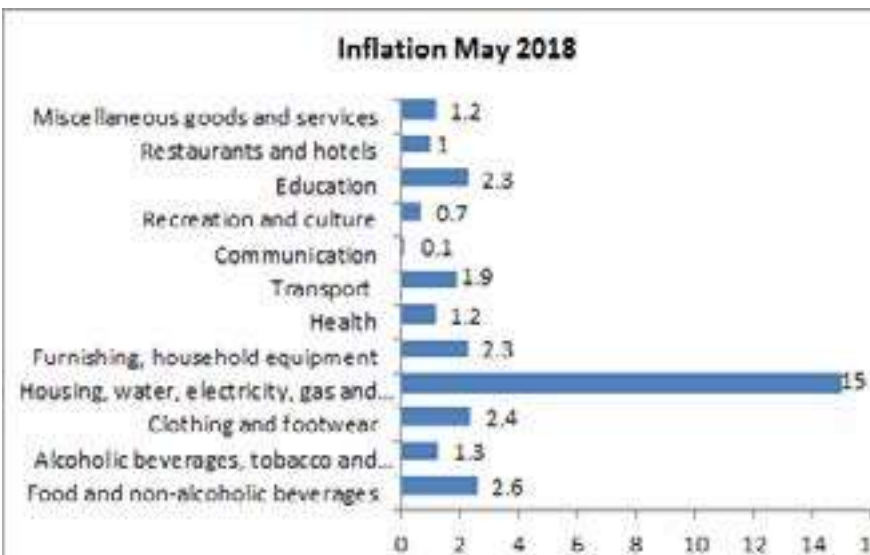
Palladium slipped 0.2 percent at \$949.95 an ounce, on track for a 0.1 percent weekly drop.

All three metals were headed for their fourth straight weekly decline.

All Share Index : 6 JULY 2018

Africa	Actual	Change	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
NSE-All Share	37,626	117.63	-0.31%	-0.29%	-2.11%	15.92%
FTSE/JSE TOP 40	51,123	71.31	-0.14%	-0.76%	-1.76%	11.94%
JALSH-All Share	57,314	100.12	-0.17%	-0.52%	-1.85%	10.43%
Egypt EGX 30	16,125	184.31	-1.13%	-1.37%	1.36%	20.61%
Casablanca CFG 25	11,703	11.66	-0.10%	-1.48%	-5.89%	-5.27%
NSE All Share	173	0.04	-0.02%	-1.45%	-2.09%	13.60%
Nairobi 20	3,314	12.73	0.39%	0.76%	-0.59%	-8.04%
DSEI	2,301	17.16	0.75%	0.43%	-1.05%	5.17%
TUN	8,098	5.24	0.06%	0.42%	5.09%	31.87%
GGSECI	2,840	3.12	0.11%	-1.37%	-8.55%	42.71%
NSX Overall	1,287	17.85	-1.37%	0.22%	-3.87%	25.69%
Gaborone	8,399	3.98	-0.05%	-0.06%	-1.47%	-9.16%
SEMDEX	2,226	6.51	-0.29%	-0.84%	-0.57%	4.24%
Zimbabwe Industrial Index348.99	2.44	0.70%	1.82%	-8.64%	76.32%	

DSEI increased 17 points or 0.75% to 2301 on Friday July 6 from 2284 in the previous trading session. Historically, the Tanzania All Share Index DSEI reached an all time high of 2850.15 in June of 2015 and a record low of 1161.30 in December of 2010.



Oil slips toward \$77 as Saudi boost, trade tensions weigh

LONDON, July 6 (Reuters) - Oil slipped toward \$77 a barrel on Friday, under pressure from higher Saudi production and trade tensions between the United States and China, although oil supply disruptions lent support.

Top exporter Saudi Arabia told OPEC it raised oil output by almost 500,000 barrels per day last month, OPEC sources said, a sign Riyadh wants to make up for shortages elsewhere and dampen prices.

Brent crude LCOc1, the global benchmark, was down 19 cents at \$77.20 a barrel by 0910 GMT. U.S. crude CLc1 slipped 2 cents to \$72.92.

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"On the bearish side both Saudi Arabia and Russia are living up to their promise to increase output," said Tamas Varga of oil broker PVM. "Looming U.S. sanctions on Iran, however, are causing serious concerns amongst market players."

U.S. tariffs on \$34 billion in Chinese imports took effect as a deadline passed on Friday and Beijing has vowed to respond immediately in kind, setting the two world's biggest economies on a path toward a full-blown trade conflict.

"The oil market is in the hands of global politics,"

said Norbert Ruecker, head of macro and commodity research at Julius Baer. "China's reciprocity will in a first tranche include agricultural commodities and in a second tranche most likely oil products and crude oil."

A.U.S. government report also weighed on prices this week, by crude stockpiles rose 1.3 million barrels and showing unexpectedly ample supplies after analysts had forecast a decline.

The potential trade war between the United States and China comes amid a tight oil market.

Oil output cuts by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and allies including Russia since January 2017 have reduced a glut of crude.

Involuntary drops in supply in Venezuela, Angola and Libya have made the cutbacks even bigger, although OPEC has now started to ease those curbs with Saudi Arabia pumping more.

Even so, renewed U.S. sanctions on Iran against its oil exports look set to tighten supply further.

South Korea, a major buyer of Iranian oil, will not lift any in July for the first time since August 2012, three sources familiar with the matter said on Friday.

Fuel Wef. Wednesday, 4th JULY 2018

Town	Petrol (TZS/Litre)	Diesel (TZS/Litre)	Kerosene (TZS/Litre)
Dar es Salaam	2,291	2,225	2,276
Arusha	2,291	2,225	2,276
Coast	2,413	2,334	2,197
Dodoma	2,467	2,388	2,251
Geita	2,574	2,495	2,358
Iringa	2,473	2,393	2,256
Kagera	2,624	2,545	2,408
Katavi	2,617	2,537	2,400
Kigoma	2,640	2,561	2,424
Moshi	2,280	2,214	2,266
Lindi	2,468	2,388	2,251
Manyara	2,325	2,259	2,315
Mara	2,587	2,508	2,371
Mbeya	2,516	2,437	2,299
Morogoro	2,434	2,354	2,217
Mtwara	2,387	2,360	2,265
Mwanza	2,459	2,380	2,342
Njombe	2,501	2,422	2,284
Rukwa	2,582	2,502	2,365
Ruvuma	2,532	2,453	2,316
Shinyanga	2,538	2,458	2,321
Singida	2,499	2,420	2,283
Songwe	2,525	2,446	2,309
Tabora	2,563	2,484	2,346
Tanga	2,234	2,168	2,238

World Commodities (\$) 4th JULY 2018

Energy	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Crude Oil	74.3409	0.32%	1.23%	14.87%	63.34%
Brent	78.2076	-0.24%	0.47%	3.79%	62.58%
Natural gas	2.8313	-0.08%	-3.67%	-2.20%	-1.93%
Gasoline	2.1264	0.00%	-0.35%	2.68%	39.04%
Heating oil	2.186	0.47%	0.36%	2.80%	47.52%
Ethanol	1.55	0.00%	-0.85%	-1.89%	-10.06%
Napththa	652.02	0.87%	3.48%	2.33%	61.30%
Propane	0.95	1.81%	9.58%	6.32%	58.41%
Uranium	22.95	0.66%	1.32%	-2.34%	13.33%
Metals	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Gold	1249.39	-0.35%	0.11%	-3.61%	2.01%
Silver	15.9731	-0.64%	0.14%	-3.99%	-0.14%
Platinum	835.74	-0.51%	-1.39%	-7.40%	-8.16%
Palladium	945.6	-0.04%	-0.13%	-7.16%	13.06%
Manganese	38	0.00%	0.00%	-3.80%	28.81%
Neodymium	415,000.00	0.00%	-1.78%	0.61%	6.41%
Rhodium	2,260.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.44%	117.31%
Agricultural	Price	Day	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
Soybeans	844	-0.53%	-2.68%	-15.75%	-13.55%
Wheat	491.5	2.34%	4.69%	-2.72%	-8.85%
Cotton	83.73	-0.96%	-1.41%	-7.94%	11.63%
Rice	12	1.74%	-4.04%	7.00%	0.80%

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1. Net Asset Value (Fund Size in MillionsTshs.)	229,040	1,276	3,311	21,428	29,939
2. Net Asset Value per unit (Tshs.)	585.2411	358.2735	333.1920	127.0718	190.7695
3. Sale Price per Unit (Tshs.)	585.2411	358.2735	333.1920	127.0718	190.7695
4. Repurchase Price per Unit (Tshs.)	579.3887	351.1080	329.8601	124.5304	190.7695

Exchange Rates July 6, 2018

Currency	Buying	Selling	Buying	Selling	Buying	Selling	Buying	Selling
USD	2254.11	2276.65	2,189.00	2,323.00	2,217.00	2,327.00	2,180.09	2,310.09
POUND STG	2998.72	3019.52	2,953.00	3,143.00	2,992.00	3,132.00	2,918.73	3,123.24
EURO	2639.11	2665.73	2,579.00	2,740.00	2,613.00	2,753.00	2,577.83	2,772.78
SOUTH AFRICA	166.35	167.89	160.00	200	174.66	184.66	-	-
KENYA SHS	22.40	22.57	20.70	24.70	20.67	25.67	-	-
UGANDA SHS	0.55	0.59	0.51	0.6944	0.585	0.635	-	-
RWANDA FRC	2.58	2.61	-	-	-	-	-	-
BURUNDI FRC	2.16	2.17	-	-	1.275	1.325	-	-

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China-Egypt joint venture leads high-voltage equipment manufacturing in Egypt

AIN SOKHNA, Egypt

A China-Egypt joint venture has successfully established its leading position in the high-voltage equipment manufacturing in Egypt, while helping end the Arab country's previous reliance on imports of top-end transformers.

The joint venture, XD-EGEMAC High Voltage Electric Equipment Co. established in 2009 by China's XD corporation and Egypt's EGEMAC, has increased the percentage of local manufacturing of high-voltage equipment up to 40 percent so far.

Located in the Chinese-operated TEDA industrial zone in Egypt's Ain Sokhna district of Suez Province, on an area of 276,000 square meters, XD-EGEMAC premises include a GIS plant and an adjacent power transformers factory.

It has been contributing to the development of the industry in Egypt

through constructing GIS (gas insulated switchgear) substations and introducing power transformers manufacturing in the most populous Arab country.

Thanks to XD's expertise and technologies, XD-EGEMAC has managed to build several GIS substations in different parts of Egypt besides its power transformer factory that is currently producing, not just assembling, high voltage transformers for the Egyptian local market.

"The technologies of XD-EGEMAC is completely imported from China XD, but we're promoting the localization of our products manufacturing in Egypt, which will be increased step by step," said XD-EGEMAC General Manager Li Zhifu.

XD holds 51 percent of the consortium shares while EGEMAC holds the other 49 percent. XD-EGEMAC's main products, whether GIS substations or power transformers, are mainly for

the Egyptian local market, but it also plans to export its high voltage products to neighboring countries in the Middle East and Africa in the future.

"Most of the high voltage equipment in Egypt was 100-percent imported but now we have increased the local manufacturing percentage up to 40 percent and our target is to reach 60 percent in the near future," Li told Xinhua at his office in the administra-

tion building of the company.

XD-EGEMAC can now produce power transformers with the biggest capacity of up to 220kv. It has also built substations and supplied transformers in different Egyptian provinces including the capital Cairo, as well as other governorates of Giza, Qalyubia, Suez, Damietta, Minya, Sohag and Aswan.

"This year, we signed a contract to build a 500kv



Employees work at a factory of XD-EGEMAC High Voltage Electric Equipment Co. in Ain Sokhna, Egypt, July 2, 2018. The China-Egypt joint venture has successfully established its leading position in the high-voltage equipment manufacturing in Egypt, while helping end the Arab country's previous reliance on import of top-end transformers. (Xinhua/Wu Huiwo)

substation for Nag Hammadi in Qena Province and now we have negotiations for building substations in Giza, Fayoum and other places. We're working in more than 15 sites this year in Egypt," Li said.

The GIS factory has a main workshop with a total area of 7,871 square meters, whose annual production scale is approximately 210 bays for 72.5-550kv GIS equipment.

The nearby transformer factory, which can manufacture all types of power transformers from 66kv to 500kv, has a main workshop with an area of 8,521 square meters and an overhead crane that can lift up to 160 tons.

Mohamed Anwar, head of the transformer manufacturing department at XD-EGEMAC, said the transformer factory will manufacture transformers with a capacity of 500kv.

"China's XD is a school for technology. It has a distinguished technological approach that is even different from similar Chinese power transformer manufacturers. We benefited a lot from XD technology and from its transfer to Egypt," the engineer told Xinhua at the transformer factory.

The company has some 200 employees and technicians working indoors and around 500 others working in its different project sites across Egypt.

At the winding workshop of the transformer factory, Egyptian technicians said they learned a lot in the field of power transformer manufacturing thanks to the technology introduced by XD.

"Power transformer manufacturing is the locomotive of power industry and Egypt's entrance in this field is a big leap," said Amr Abdel-Razek, a technician at the winding department who has been working for XD-EGEMAC for two years.

He added that Egypt used to import power transformers from abroad, "so it is very important that we started to manufacture transformers with Egyptian hands not just assembling them."

Abdel-Razek stressed that the field is new to Egyptian technicians and engineers but they are capable of comprehending it very fast.

"Egypt and China are very old and close civilizations with a lot of similarities, so there is much integration here in the company between the Egyptians with their fast work and the Chinese with their expertise and efficiency," said the technician. Xinhua



Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte, center, reviews the troops with Philippine Air Force chief Lt. Gen Galileo Kintanar Jr. during the wreath-laying ceremony at the 71st Founding Anniversary of the Air Force at Villamor Air Base in suburban Pasay city south of Manila, Philippines, July 3, 2018. (AP)

Duterte vows to resign if anybody can prove God exists

MANILA, Philippines

THE Philippine president, who recently sparked outrage for calling God stupid, has courted new controversy in his largely Roman Catholic country by saying he will resign if anybody can prove that God exists.

President Rodrigo Duterte, who has had a thorny relationship with the church, questioned anew in a speech late on Friday some of the basic tenets of the Catholic faith, including the concept of original sin, which he said taints even innocent infants and can only be removed through baptism in a church for a fee.

"Where is the logic of God there?" Duterte asked in a speech at the opening of a science and technology event in southern Davao city.

The 73-year-old leader said that if there's "one single witness" who can prove, perhaps with a picture or a selfie that a human was "able to talk and to see God," he will immediately resign.

Duterte, however, suggested that there must be a God or a supreme being that prevents billions of stars and celestial bodies from colliding in a frequency that could have long threatened the human race.

Last week, he was slammed, including by some of his political allies, for calling God "stupid" in another speech, with one Catholic bishop calling him a "psychoopath."

Duterte lamented in that speech that Adam and Eve's sin in Christian theology resulted in all the faithful falling from divine grace.

"Who is this stupid God? This son of

a bitch is then really stupid," he said last week. "You were not involved but now you're stained with an original sin ... What kind of a religion is that? That's what I can't accept, very stupid proposition."

Opposition Sen. Antonio Trillanes IV shot back at Duterte by describing him as "one evil man" and his remarks as "very much consistent with the deceitfulness, heartlessness and ruthlessness of his policies."

Presidential spokesman Harry Roque has defended his remarks, saying Duterte has the right to express his opinion on religion and cited the president's previous disclosure that he was once sexually abused by a priest.

Duterte on Friday recalled that experience, when he said he and other students were fondled by a foreign

Jesuit priest, who has since died.

Amid the criticisms, officials have arranged a meeting between Duterte and the head of the largest association of Catholic bishops on Monday. Filipino bishops opened an annual conference in Manila Saturday and were expected to address Duterte's tirades when they conclude their meeting on Monday.

Some Catholic bishops have been critical of Duterte's brutal crackdown against illegal drugs, which have left thousands of suspects dead in reported clashes with the police, along with his vulgar and expletives-laden speeches.

He once called Pope Francis a "son of a bitch" for sparking a monstrous traffic during a 2015 visit in Manila that trapped Duterte for hours. Agencies

US trade measures will backfire

BEIJING

WITH additional tariffs on Chinese products worth US\$34 billion made effective on Friday, the United States has taken a dangerous step that will take a toll on its own economy.

US exporters stand to lose, as they will miss out on the massive tariff reductions by the Chinese government, which is determined to open its market wider.

Importers of Chinese goods will have a hard time, as they will have to go elsewhere to source products, the prices of which may have already gone up.

A survey on CEOs of 200 large US enterprises showed that 90 percent of the executives were anxious about higher costs brought by trade frictions, and 95 percent of them regarded a potential slump in exports resulting from foreign retaliation a moderate or significant risk.

Recent economic and capital market data showed that the arbitrary decision by the Trump Administration has brought painful results.

China's exports to the United States increased by 5.4 percent in the first half, 13.9 percentage points slower than the same period last year, customs data showed.

The US decision to pursue a trade war has eroded the confidence of importers, and could cause a mess in the global supply chain, said Li Yong from China Association of International Trade.

Wall Street has already expressed its fears. The Dow Jones Industrial Average shed 1,000 points from a high in mid-June, while the S&P 500 has also retreated notably since concerns about a trade war started to loom.

According to estimates by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), if tariff hikes in the United States lead to countermeasures in other countries, global trade costs will climb by 10 percent while total trade volume will drop by 6 percent, dragging down the global economy by 1.4 percent.



"If the United States starts imposing additional tariffs, it will actually be charging taxes on firms both in China and around the world, as well as American companies," Ministry of Commerce spokesperson Gao Feng said at a press conference Thursday.

Gao pointed out that China is an important supporter and participant in economic globalization and the global industrial chain, and many of its export commodities are products made by foreign enterprises in China.

"Around 59 percent of products worth US\$34 billion subject to additional tariffs are made by foreign firms in China, with American firms making up a considerable part," Gao said.

Trade issues aside, the investment environment in the United States has deteriorated recently, leading to fears that foreign investment into the country could decline significantly.

US President Donald Trump said last week that he supports Congress to pass legislation to protect key technologies from acquisition by foreign entities.

The policy shift is causing confusion among Chinese enterprises, which is becoming a source of local employment.

According to a Rhodium Group report, Chinese direct investment in the United States was estimated to be US\$1.8 billion in the first five months of 2018, down 92 percent from the same period last year.

"On one hand, the United States hopes to attract foreign investment, which brings jobs. On the other hand, it is expanding restrictions on investments. Such inconsistent information will leave many investors confused," said Zhu Hong, minister-counsellor for economic and commercial affairs at China's embassy in the United States.

Xinhua

By extending sanctions EU misses opportunity to improve interaction with Russia – diplomat

MOSCOW

THE decision of the European Union to extend sanctions against Russia hampers the development of constructive cooperation, Russian Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said.

"We consider the political decision taken by the heads of state and government of the member states of the European Union to extend unilateral re-

strictions against our country in the financial and economic sectors as another missed opportunity for a constructive revision of the EU's foreign policy approaches towards Russia," the diplomat said.

"We regret that the member states once again lacked the determination to admit the artificial nature of the linking the entire set of Russia-EU relations with full implementation of the Minsk agreements, which is de-

liberately blocked by the Kiev authorities.

Business community of the EU and ordinary citizens will still have to suffer because of Brussels stance which lacks realism and flexibility," she added.

On Thursday, the European Union extended economic sanctions against Russia expiring at the turn of July by six months.

Speaking during her briefing on Thursday, Zakharova also said that the EU's new appeal

to Russia to participate in the efforts to establish the truth, justice and perpetrators of the crash of the Boeing plane in the east of Ukraine was "absurd."

"That sounds outrageous because Russia, unlike Ukraine, which also took part in the investigation, did it best to contribute to the establishment of real causes of the tragedy and granted critically important data on radar surveillance at the moment of the crash," she

stressed.

She called on to those who are trying to force Russia to admit its responsibility for the tragedy to explain first inconsistencies between the preliminary conclusions of the investigation and the data provided by the Russian side.

The Boeing-777 passenger plane operated by Malaysian Airlines crashed on July 17, 2014, en route from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur in the east of

the Donetsk region. As a result, 298 people, citizens of 10 states, were killed in the crash. The parties to the armed conflict in Donbass accused each other of being complicit in the tragedy.

On May 24, the Joint Investigation Team (JIT), consisting of representatives from Australia, Belgium, Malaysia, the Netherlands and Ukraine, released its update on the criminal investigation into the MH17 crash.

According to the JIT, "the

BUK-TELAR that was used to down MH17, originates from the 53rd Anti-Aircraft Missile brigade (hereinafter 53rd brigade), a unit of the Russian army from Kursk in the Russian Federation."

Russia's Defense Ministry rejected all the accusations saying that none of the Russian Army's air defense missile systems had ever crossed the border between Russia and Ukraine.

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SPORT



Tanzania Paralympics Committee (TPC) secretary general Tuma Dandi

Dar amputee football federation set for launch today

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

THE Tanzania Amputee Football Federation (TAFF) will be launched at the Jakaya Kikwete Youth Park in Dar es Salaam today.

The Tanzania Paralympics Committee (TPC) secretary general Tuma Dandi said all preparations for the launch are ready.

He said they have invited Director of Sports in the Ministry of Information, Culture, Arts and Sports, Yusuf Singo, to grace the event.

The TPC official said the current chairman of TAFF is Peter Sarungi and the federation aims at seeing to it amputees are involved in football.

The body also targets creating job opportunities for the disabled people through the game, apart from keeping them healthy, he said.

"The aim of the federation is to see to it that all amputee people are playing football, we want to use football to show the world that amputees can do everything, it also targets to create job opportunities for the amputees and able bodied people," he said.

He said in an effort to have many players for the game, emphasis will be on pupils and students from special needs schools.

"We want to use the amputee football to expose talents and I'm sure the country has many talented amputees but they are not given the chance to expose their talents," he

said.

"We will get more talents from schools who will in future play for the national team."

Sarungi said the TAFF has been registered at the National Sports Council (NSC) and he is confident that many people will love the sport.

He said players who are eligible to play amputee football are those with one leg while the goalkeeper must have one arm.

He pointed out that unlike normal football, amputee football use seven players and a player can be substituted and return back to the pitch later, and a match is played for 30 minutes for each half.

He said the game is played on three quarter of the normal stadium while the goals are 2.5 height, the length is the same as the one for normal football goals. He moreover said there are no throw ins and corners.

"It's a very interesting and entertaining football, the aim is to give amputees the opportunity to show their talents and relax," he disclosed.

"The sport started after the Second World War with the aim of giving victims of the war opportunity to enjoy and forget the problems they were facing."

He said because the sport is new, TPC and TAFF with support from the European Amputee Football Federation will organize a four-day seminar for coaches referees and players at the National Stadium from July 23.

Company marks Family Day in style

By Guardian Reporter

ABOUT 1400 Tanzania Cigarette Public Limited Company (TCC) employees and their families had a memorable day out as they marked the company's Family Day event at the TCC Club at Chang'ombe in Dar es Salaam recently.

"We are glad to host this at our own, newly renovated TCC Club, there was no better theme for this Family Day than 'Narudi Nyumbani'," TCC Legal Affairs Director and Company Secretary, Godson Killiza, said

The Family Day, according to him, has a great significance to the company because it is a time when employees and their families come together, once a year, to celebrate achievements and have fun in a special way.

There were numerous games featured during the Family Day while children had ample options to keeping them and their

parents busy all day long.

There was endless entertainment as top artistes including bongo flava artiste, Siaka Nassor popularly known as Aslay, kept the attendees on their feet as they danced and sang along to his hits and as Tanzanite Band also kept the crowd entertained throughout the event.

It was also a time to showcase the talent of members from the Vipaji Foundation, which has been supported by TCC for 10 years.

The artistes thrilled the audience with their dance skills as their counterparts showed off their creative drawing skills.

One of the attendees, Nahya Suleiman, whose husband works with TCC, praised the company for its consistency in bringing families together every year.

"We have really enjoyed the day. The children have had time to mingle and the parents had time to catch up with old friends," she said.



Some of the Tanzania Cigarette Public Limited Company (TCC) staff and families take part in a sack race during the company's Family Day held at TCC Club at Chang'ombe in Dar es Salaam recently. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT



Pamela Daffa

'Romantic relationships frustrate Bongo Flava female artistes'

Correspondent Sabata Kasika

DAR ES SALAAM's artiste, Pamela Daffa, popularly known as Pam D, has disclosed relationships frustrate domestic female artistes' efforts to achieve success in the profession.

She said she faced the challenge but she was not discouraged from engaging in the

profession.

"A female artiste might land support from a male music stakeholder but the former's lover might feel the stakeholder is going as far as having sexual relationship with the artiste," she said.

She said a lot of domestic female artistes have failed to make headway in music for what she termed as insecurity by the latter's lovers.

Girls that are keen on taking up music have as well been facing the challenge, she said.

"The female artistes eventually opt to settle down with their lovers and quit the profession with a view to satisfying the latter," Pam D said.

Pam D, who has risen to prominence with a track titled Yeyo, noted she feels sad to see a few female artistes take part in music in the country.

Are the stars aligning for another Federer-Nadal final?

LONDON

ON the 10th anniversary of the 2008 Wimbledon men's final that is widely considered the 'greatest ever tennis match' it seems like the stars may be aligning for Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal to meet in another mesmerizing epic.

The pair are again the two best players in the world and have split the last six Grand Slam titles between them - taking their combined haul to an incredible 37 major titles.

But, most importantly, they are fit and healthy at the same time and showing signs that a blockbuster rematch might be on the cards come July 15 as they have both reached the fourth round at the grasscourt championships without dropping a set.

So while tennis fans around the world start dreaming, hoping and longing that the two most successful players on planet tennis will renew their rivalry on the sport's greatest stage, there is one person who is definitely not keen on the idea.

"If I am in the final, I prefer to face an easier opponent. I am not stupid," world number one Nadal said on Saturday to hoots of laughter from reporters.

Since reaching his fifth final at the All England Club seven years ago, it has not been a happy hunting ground for the 2008 and 2010 champion as he has failed to get past the fourth round.

The Spaniard has lost to players ranked 100 or lower in four of his five previous Wimbledon appearances as his patched up knees have struggled to cope with the constant bending required to handle the low bounce on the lush green lawns.

SUCCESSIVE DEFEATS

Whereas once he could hypnotise Federer into defeat - holding a 23-11 win-loss record including 8-2 in Grand Slam meetings contested up to 2016 - the Spaniard has lost four successive matches to his great rival over the past 18 months.

That run, which kicked off with Federer, who is now 36, winning a pulsating five-setter at last year's Australian Open final, has allowed the eight-time Wimbledon champion to narrow Nadal's head-to-head lead to 23-15.

But after hoisting the French Open trophy for a record 11th time less than four weeks ago, Nadal seems energised at the prospect of completing the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double for the third time in his

career.

"For me it's great to have all this great experience again, playing so well later in my career, having a great year last year, having a good year this year," said the 32-year-old, who has been plagued by a series of knee, wrist and hip injuries.

"All these problems that I am going through during my career... makes me enjoy more the good moments. I am playing well. I'm looking forward to keep playing well."

"If I am in the final, it will be great news," he added with a grin ahead of his fourth round match with Czech Jiri Vesely.

He would just rather not see his familiar Swiss foe, who next meets Frenchman Adrian Panatta, across the net.

Playing doubles together, however, is a much more appealing prospect. "Why not?" said the Spaniard. "(If) he is able to do it, I am able to do it," he added with a smile.

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Federer-Nadal

Southgate's England show maturity and smartness in confident win

SAMARA

NO drama, no panic, no traumatic moment where it all went wrong – this really is a new England team and they showed it again in their 2-0 win over Sweden which sent them into the semi-finals.

In place of any such strife, this was a professional, solid and disciplined performance that German or Italian World Cup sides of the past would have been proud of.

After the anguish, tension and ultimately wild joy of England's last 16 win over Colombia, this was as close to a routine win as is possible in the last eight of the World Cup.

And it was surely the kind of game that manager Gareth Southgate had in mind when he opted not to go all out to top the group in the final group stage defeat by Belgium.

That loss meant England got a workmanlike Scandinavian opponent rather than Brazil in the quarter-finals and, while it was not a game that set neutrals' pulses racing, they again showed the calmness their manager has instilled in them.

The England manager has avoided the mistakes of his predecessors in his selection choices and his decision to go with young Everton goalkeeper Jordan Pickford over the more experienced but inconsistent Joe Hart has been validated.

While England were solid defensively, they needed their 24-year-old keeper, the shootout hero against Colombia, to come up with three high-quality saves to frustrate the Swedes.

Pickford was not even born the last time England reached the last four and he exudes the confidence and self-belief that transmits itself to his defence.

Previous England managers might also have been wary of the inexperience at international level of Harry Maguire but once again the Leicester City centre-half was outstanding and his magnificent header from a corner opened the scoring.

Eight of England's 11 goals so far at the tournament in Russia have come from set-pieces, which is again credit to the work that has been put in by Southgate and his staff on the training ground on such a crucial aspect of the game.

SMART ENGLAND

But what stands out more than anything in this England team is their smartness in decision-making on the field.

That was most evident when full back Kieran Trippier, in a classic position to whip the ball in from the right, spotted the Swedish defence were ready for such a delivery and had covered his usual target Harry Kane.

Trippier quickly changed tack, playing the ball back and inside to Jesse Lingard who, with a different angle for the cross, found the unmarked Dele Alli to head in the second goal. Right decision, perfect execution, job done.

Captain Kane often drifted deeper than England might normally prefer, but that forced the Sweden defence to break up their lines and created pockets of space for the likes of Lingard and Raheem Sterling to operate in.

"It was a very mature performance in such a high pressure game. We knew we would have lots of possession but I thought we controlled it well and we moved it quickly," said Kane.

In the past England have struggled against opponents who have been content to sit behind the ball and defend, but this team have the patience, technique and what Southgate called the "mental resilience" to keep probing without over-committing.

European teams who have won the World Cup in recent editions have all had those qualities – whether it be Germany in 2014, Spain in 2010 or Italy in 2006.

They had their moments of spectacular football but when they needed to ground out wins against well-organised teams.

"We played an opponent who have a clear identity and their collectiveness has been too much at times. After having to give everything emotionally this week, today was a real test," said Southgate.

"It was a sign of the maturity of this team who are maturing in front of our eyes," he said.

They are indeed and Southgate, who so often appears more of a supportive teacher than an authoritarian manager, deserves the plaudits he is receiving for nurturing that growth.

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England's Dele Alli, Kyle Walker and team mates celebrate after the 2018 World Cup quarterfinal match against Sweden in Samara, Russia on Saturday.

Croatia search for missing sparks ahead of England clash

MOSCOW

THEY have experience, bags of talent and there is no questioning their fighting spirit yet there is something still strangely lacking in the Croatia team which has reached the World Cup semi-finals for the second time in their history.

Croatia became only the second team to win successive penalty shootouts at the World Cup, following in the footsteps of Argentina in 1990, when they overcame Russia 4-3 on Saturday to follow up their win over Denmark in the previous round.

Neither of those overall performances, however, were worthy of potential World Cup winners, nor did they seem to do justice to the quality of Croatia's line-up, which is one of the most gifted in Russia.

Fourteen members of their squad are based in Europe's top five leagues – England, Spain, Italy, Germany and France – including Luka Modric and Mateo Kovacic at Real Madrid, Ivan Rakitic at Barcelona and Mario Mandzukic at Juventus.

When Croatia stormed through the group stage with nine points from three games, they did in indeed look like serious contenders.

But the spark seems to have gone in knockout stages and instead they have had to rely on more on resilience to get them through against less gifted opponents.

Coach Zlatko Dalic certainly showed plenty of bold, attacking intentions against Russia.

The gifted Modric and Rakitic were fielded in the centre of midfield, with no defensive cover, and there were two wingers in Ante Rebic and Ivan Perisic and two centre forwards in Mandzukic and Andrej Kramaric. But it did not quite work out as planned.

Croatia's long periods of possession were largely unproductive, the final pass was invariably missing and they were surprised by Russia's aggressive approach.

"We were undermanned in midfield," said Dalic. "We were left to only hit long balls. That's not how Croatia play. That's not our style."

Going to extra-time and penalties meant using up valuable reserves of energy that could potentially put them at a disadvantage in their semi-final on Wednesday when they

face an England side who coasted to a 2-0 win over Sweden.

"There were times when we lacked energy: 240 minutes of football in six days takes its toll on you," said Modric who, like Mandzukic and Rakitic, is into his thirties.

Dalic, however, said there was plenty left in the tank.

"Of course there is some power left for the English – we will not stop, we will try to play our best game then," he said.

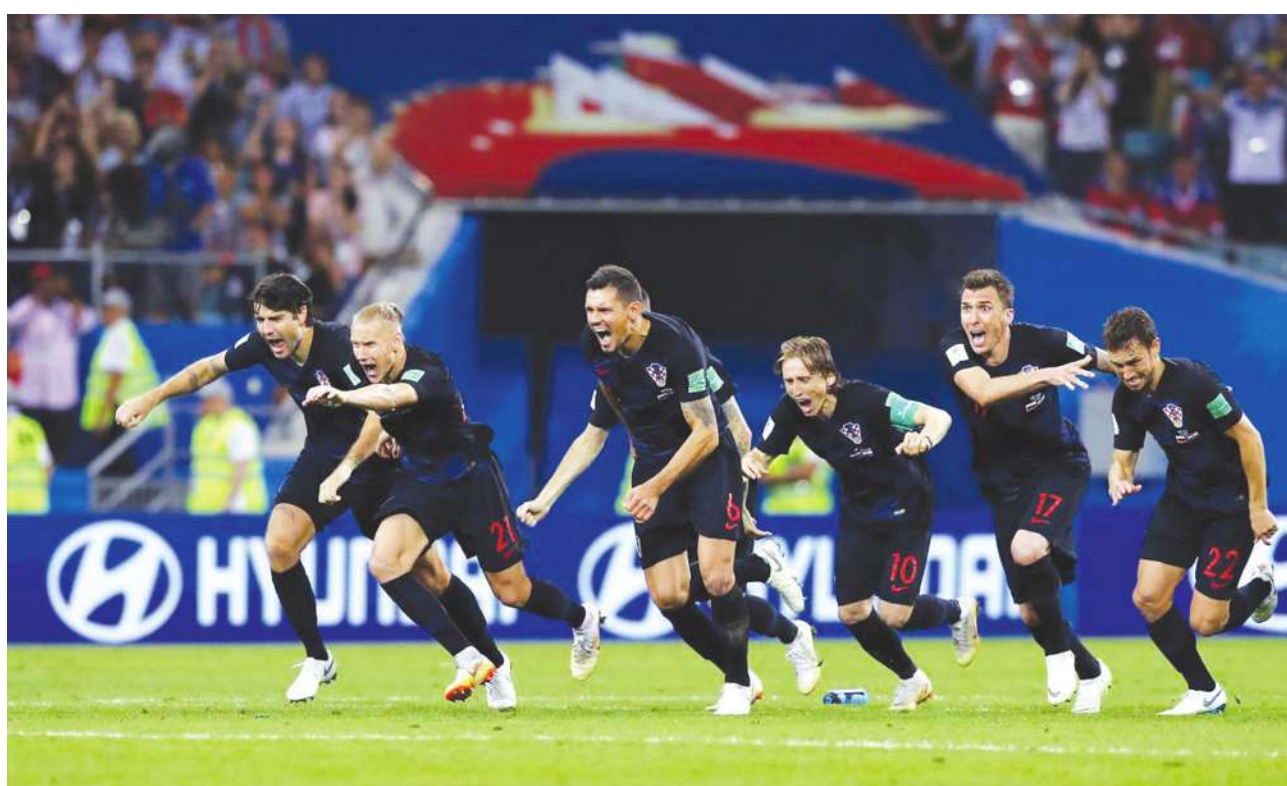
"We have two matches to play, we are

very motivated, we will give our all."

And, if all else fails, Croatia can always go into a penalty shootout confident that they will come out as winners.

"The match against Russia is yet another victory of our character. We have nerves of steel," said Kramaric. "We showed how calm and self-confident we are. Perhaps the match was not the most beautiful, but it will be remembered."

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Croatia national soccer team players celebrate after winning the 2018 World Cup quarterfinal match against Russia in Sochi on Saturday, AP.

Russia salutes 'heroes' after Croatia ends World Cup dream

MOSCOW

THE Kremlin dubbed the Russian national team heroes and proud soccer fans saluted their underdog host team after the side lost on penalties to Croatia, bringing an end to its World Cup challenge at the quarter-finals.

Across Russia, hand-wringing fans had held their breath through extra time, hoping the team could pull off another upset. Russia entered the World Cup as the lowest ranking side, but reached the quarter finals against the odds.

The disappointment of defeat late on Saturday soon melted into applause as fans toasted a national side that had repeatedly defied expectations. Fans spilling out of bars chanted "Russia," dancing in the street and singing along as music blared.

"Our boys, they really did great. A huge thank you to them for this tournament. What we achieved, that was so cool," Andrej, a lawyer, said next to a street corner screen that had shown the match.

President Vladimir Putin did not attend the game, but watched remotely, saying the players were heroes despite the defeat and the country was proud of them, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov was cited as saying by Interfax.

"He watched, he was rooting for the team. We lost in a fair and great game. They are still great guys for us, they are heroes. They were dying on the pitch, we are proud with them," Peskov was quoted as saying.

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Despite the result, street parties

broke out in central Moscow in scenes reminiscent of the celebrations following Russia's shock victory over Spain on Sunday. The Kremlin likened those festivities to images of celebrations after victory in World War Two.

"It was a great match. Well done to our guys, they tried very hard... I'm really happy that we made it to the quarters for the first time in history," said Artyom Osadchy, a student.

Russians tuned in across the country, from soldiers at their barracks in Rostov-on-Don to ballerinas in Saint Petersburg back stage. Wild animal tamers at a circus in Moscow crouched round a phone streaming the game.

Russia and Croatia were tied 1-1 after a tense ninety minutes. Croatia went a goal up in extra time, but Russia managed to claw back in the final minutes, equalising to make it 2-2.

During the penalty shootout, taxis pulled over with their hazard lights on and listened on the radio.

"It was just that the roulette wheel was not in our favour today," said Andrej the lawyer after Russia lost 4-3 in the shootout.

Other fans looked to the future on the heels of Russia's best World Cup performance since the collapse of the Soviet Union.

"You can't take the trophy straight away. It's the first time we're in the quarter finals in a very long time. You can't have everything straight away. It was a very dignified game," Evgenia, 36, a psychologist, said.

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Russia's midfielder Denis Cheryshev celebrates after scoring a goal during the 2018 World Cup quarterfinal football match between Russia and Croatia at the Fisht Stadium in Sochi on Sunday.

Modric chasing World Cup dream after shootout win

SOCHI, RUSSIA

Croatia captain Luka Modric put in a man of the match performance to lead his side to a penalty shootout victory over hosts Russia, but he has no interest in personal awards as they chase their World Cup dream in a semi-final against England.

CROATIA came back from a goal down to draw 1-1 after 90 minutes and thought they had done enough to win when they took the lead through Domagoj Vida in extra time, but Mario Fernandes headed home a free kick to make it 2-2 and take it to penalties, which the Croatians won 4-3.

The playmaker, who won a third successive Champions League title with Real Madrid before coming to Russia, brushed off suggestions that his performance might put him in the running for the Ballon d'Or prize as the world's best player.

"The most important thing for me is that my national team succeeded and that we do something big. We've already accomplished something big, but we want to do more," he told reporters.

"In the second half and in extra time we dominated, we should have finished

the job before penalties, but maybe it's written in the stars that we have to go through the extra drama," he added.

The Croatians looked more comfortable from the spot, netting four of their five attempts with midfielder Ivan Rakitic firing home the decisive effort to put them into the semi-finals, prompting tears from Croatia coach Zlatko Dalic.

"I was concentrated throughout the match, but after Rakitic's penalty the emotion came bursting out of me. We made ourselves happy, but also everyone back in Croatia happy - I don't cry often, but now I had good cause," he told reporters.

Dalic's side now face England, who comfortably beat Sweden 2-0 earlier in the day, in their semi-final on Wednesday in Moscow.

"Of course there is some power left for the English - we will not stop, we will try to play our best game then. We have two matches to play, we are very motivated, we will give our all," Dalic said, adding that the competition is wide open.

"There are no favourites at this World Cup, every game is fifty-fifty and you have to fight it out.

"The favourites, the big teams are home. The teams who are hard-working, who are compact and united, these are the teams that are still here."

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SPORT

Southgate's England show maturity
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CRDB Bank Director of Marketing, Research and Customer Service, Tully Mwambapa (R), hands over a dummy ticket for the 2018 World Cup match to David Hughes, who emerged as the 11th winner of the bank's TemboCardVisa draw during a ceremony at the bank headquarters in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Hughes will travel to Russia to watch a semi-final match of the tournament. PHOTO: SELEMANI MPOCHI

Tanzania cricket team succumbs to Uganda in ICC Africa T20 Qualifiers



Tanzania's national cricket team's Abhik Patwa bats against Nigeria in the ICC World Cricket League Qualifiers- Africa in Benoni, South Africa last year.

By Guardian Reporter

SENIOR national cricket team went down to Uganda by 64 runs in the Africa T20 Sub Regional Qualifiers B's match at the Gahanga Stadium in Kigali, Rwanda yesterday.

Uganda went in to bat first and recorded 181 runs for the loss of four wickets in 20 overs, with top order batsman Ronak Patel emerging as the best performer in the innings with unbeaten 66 runs from 45 balls.

He was ably assisted by fellow top order batsmen, Ssenyondo and Mukasa, who scored 42 runs apiece off 19 and 33 balls. Riazat Alli chipped in with 17 runs from 11 balls.

Notable contribution with the ball for Tanzania came from spinner Harsh Ramaiya as he finished his bowling spell with two wickets for 22 runs in four overs.

In response, Tanzania's attempt to get down to a successful chase ended in vain as they scored 117 runs losing seven wickets in the allotted 20 overs. Middle order batsmen Muhamad

Khan and Raahil Krishna had an impressive day with the bat as they scored 33 runs from 31 balls and 26 runs from 20 balls respectively for the side.

Top order batsmen Jitin Singh and Kassim Nassor chipped in with 15 runs off 20 balls and 19 runs from 21 balls respectively.

Tanzania had opened their campaign with a 76-run win over hosts Rwanda at the same venue a day before. Tanzania had the opportunity to bat first and posted 197 runs for seven wickets in the allotted 20 overs.

Abhik Patwa, who opened the innings, put a solid showing to record 56 runs off 25 balls. Jitin Singh scored 31 runs off 28 balls and Zamoyoni Ramadhan registered 43 runs off 25 balls for the side.

Tanzania then restricted Rwanda to 121 runs for nine wickets in 16.1 overs during the latter's chase. Medium pacer Salum Jumbe finished with two wickets, conceding 12 runs in three overs for the eventual winners.

Kenya were set to play Rwanda later in the afternoon. Kenya, who are

the tournament favourites, cruised to a four-wicket win over Uganda in the opening match a day before.

The participating teams will have a rest tomorrow and action will resume the following day in which Tanzania will face Kenya in the morning, the second match will pit Uganda against Rwanda.

The first ICC Africa T20 Sub-Regional Qualifiers (North-Western Sub Region) was held in Nigeria from April 14-21 this year. Ghana and Nigeria finished in the top two spots and qualified for the Africa Regional Finals.

The Southern Sub Region group's competition will be held in Botswana from October 28 to November 3 this year.

Mozambique, Malawi, Namibia, Saint Helena, Lesotho, Swaziland, Zambia and hosts Botswana will participate in the tournament.

The top two teams in each group advance to the regional finals tournament, which will determine two African entrants to the 2020 ICC World Twenty20 Qualifiers.

Punjabi Kings hammer Jaat Blasters in GP Gymkhana Shield

By Guardian Reporter

PUNJABI Stars' cricketers beat Jaat Blasters by three wickets in the GP Gymkhana Shield 2018 tournament's group A match at the Dar es Salaam Gymkhana Club (DGC) oval last weekend.

The DGC Cricket Section has organized the tournament under the auspices of the Tanzania Cricket Association (TCA) in a bid to strengthen promotion of the sport at the domestic level.

It was the second defeat in a row for Jaat Blasters who suffered a seven-wicket loss to Surat Stars in the opening match at the venue on July 1.

Jaat Blasters went in to bat first in the last weekend match and were skittled for 123 runs and Punjabi Stars, in response, made a successful chase, losing seven wickets in 17 overs to post their first win in the tournament.

There was also a win for SKLPSC B who edged MCC by four wickets in a group B match the same weekend.

The low scoring match saw MCC bat first and were skittled for 51 runs. SKLPSC B chased their opponents' score for the loss of six wickets in 12 overs.

In the third match Kanbis made short work of Lions, posting a 22-run win over the latter.

Kanbis started to bat in the group D match, finishing with 120 runs for the loss of nine wickets in 20 overs.

Lions found the going tough in the chase, in which they posted 98 runs for eight wickets.

Three matches were also scheduled to be played the same weekend.

Raha Unions were expected to face Karnataka Kings. Lohana were then set to come up against Dik Diks and Dar es Salaam Cricket Club were expected to confront Kanbis.

The main sponsors of the competition are General Petroleum. Other sponsors, Nagewadia disclosed, are Cartridge World, ALAF Tanzania, SBC Tanzania, Mgen Tanzania, Sayona Drinks, AfroTurk, Gajjar Auto Works, JayKey Trading, Estim Construction and Nabaki Afrika.

Malenda soccer tourney opener ends in draw

By Guardian Correspondent

THE inaugural Malenda Super Cup soccer tournament for Mwaseni Ward in Rufiji District in Coast Region kicked off on Saturday with Mibuyu Saba team holding Mwaseni Secondary School to a 1-1 draw in the opening match.

Coordinator of the tournament Hadji Mtoke said the tournament has attracted eight teams divided into two pools.

He mentioned the teams as Mtanza, Mibuyu Saba, Mwaseni Secondary School and Mpira Kitabu all lined up in pool A. Pool B comprises Young Boys, Mwaseni City, Mloka Veterans and Msona Village teams.

A Member of Parliament for Rufiji Constituency, Mohamed Mchengelwa, who was supposed to be the guest of honour, did not show up and instead CCM chairman for the district, Kaswakala Mbonde, filled the former's void.

The match brought the two teams in a stalemate up to the end of the opening half.

A wind of change stormed as the second half kicked off when Mwaseni Secondary School team drew first blood after 52 minutes through striker, Bakari Makan-gale. However, celebrations of the schoolboys was short-lived as Mibuyu Saba pulled an equaliser three minutes later, courtesy of midfielder Mustafa Mwinyi.

It was Mibuyu Saba team that dominated the second half with sporadic attacks against their opponents, only to be let down by profligacy and scrappy pitch.

Referee Shaaban Ali flashed red card to Mibuyu Saba player Juma Bhalo for a second bookable offence. Mwaseni players who were shown yellow cards include Moshi Sitiri and Hassan Mrutu.

Group B teams of Mwaseni City and Mtanza were expected to lock horns at the Mibuyu Saba venue yesterday evening. The tournament continues today with group A match between Mtanza and Mpira Kitabu.

The two top-placed teams from each group will advance into the semi-finals at the end of the preliminaries.

The tournament is sponsored by chairman of Rufiji District Council, Saidina Kibwana Malenda, who also happens to be a legislator for Mwaseni Ward.

Malenda said the objective of staging the tournament is, among others, to enhance cooperation, intensify unity, maintain health and safeguard peace in the Ward that borders Selous Game Reserve, the biggest in the continent.

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