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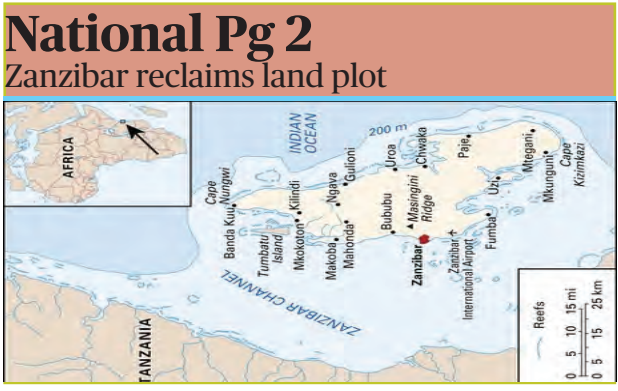
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The Board of Directors, Management and Staff of Tanzania Commercial Bank Inc. extend sincere congratulations to H.E. Dr. Bwalya Bwalya, President of The United Republic of Tanzania upon marking two years in office.

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Samia upbeat on 50-50 goal in cross-party rally

By Felister Peter

PRESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan has expressed optimism to attain the 50:50 agenda in leadership and decision-making posts, calling upon women to massively participate in the forthcoming general election.

She made the remarks yesterday at a forum organized by the ruling party women's wing (UWT) and the Tanzania Women Cross Party (TWCP) platform, where she said the country has recorded considerable progress in the area.

Efforts are being pursued to increase the number of women legislators to 40 percent, she told women from various political parties including ACT-Wazalendo and Chadema.

President Samia was constitutionally elevated to president on March 19th, 2021 following the death of fifth phase President Dr John Pombe Magufuli.

She actually expressed the hope of achieving the 50/50 leadership parity goal and in decision-making positions, urging that more women come forward to run for elective posts in the coming polls.

The 50:50 agenda will be achieved progressively; she said, noting that progress in the judiciary is appreciable, with the number of women judges much higher compared to previous years.

Out of 86 High Court judges, 40 are women and of the 26 regional administrative officers, 12 are women, she said, elaborating that efforts are ongoing



President Samia Suluhu Hassan waves to women from various political parties attending an event to mark two years of the sixth phase presidency organized by CCM women's wing (UWT) at the Uhuru Stadium in Dar es Salaam yesterday. Photo: State House

'RCs book contractors who are delaying projects'

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

REGIONAL Commissioners ought to take legal measures against contractors who fail to complete projects as per the time agreed, the ruling party's secretariat has declared.

Mohamed Said Mohamed, the deputy secretary general (Zanzibar), said here at an event to mark the two years in office for President Samia Suluhu Hassan, that delayed projects instill resentment by the people for the government and the ruling party.

The secretariat official was addressing hundreds of people gathered for an event to mark two years of President Samia in office, calling on RCs to supervise project implementation to reflect the value of the money disbursed. Regional officials must frequently visit ongoing projects in their areas to satisfy themselves whether implementation was in accordance with the signed contractual engagements, he emphasised.

"We will not tolerate any person who will obstruct development projects," the official intoned, urging RCs

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to further empower women and girls.

Plans are being worked upon to construct girls' science schools in every region and branches of the Vocational Education and Training Authority (VETA) in each district to equip young Tanzanians with the ability for innovation in science and technology.

On the health sector, the president said that the government is purchasing equipment to ensure specialized treatment is offered locally. A vast number of dispensaries, health centres and hospitals are going up across the country, she stated.

An online maternity support network named 'M-Mama' program has elicited interest around the world, she said, describing it as a practical, sustainable and scalable solution to reduce maternal and new-born deaths countrywide.

She said the government is determined to improve the agriculture sector and

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Ministry wants tourists to first visit Arusha Declaration house

By Guardian Reporter, Arusha

INCOMING tourists visiting northern circuit national parks and heritage sites will also be taken to the National Museum of Nature Studies and the Arusha Declaration Memorial.

Mary Masanja, the Natural Resources and Tourism deputy minister, made this assertion here at the weekend when meeting members of the parliamentary standing committee on the docket, saying that the plan is meant to take up advertising the country's attractions along with some understanding of the wider cultural heritage.

Explaining the plan, she said seeing nature and wildlife resources bestowed to Tanzania

needs to be coupled with a mandatory plan for travel firms to take tourists to view the beauty of our wildlife reserves capped by "getting a true picture of the country's rich natural resources and the history thereof."

"In the circumstances, we are preparing to have in place a procedure for them to first visit our natural museums to make the visitor grasp Tanzania's history including its wildlife, how the country attained its independence and who were involved in the independence struggle," she stated.

She described the city of Arusha as the hub of the country's tourism industry "but you find an incoming tourist going directly to view our wildlife reserves. We think this is not proper," she emphasised.

The government set aside more than 2.2bn/- from the Covid-19 recovery loan funds for improvements on national heritage sites, she said, explaining that since the national heritages were being improved, they can advertise the country's tourism well enough.

Dr Oswald Masebo, the National Museum board chairman, put a request to the committee to increase budget funds for the National Museum to improve infrastructure facilities and conduct major upgrading.

Dr Gwakisa Kamatula, the Arusha Declaration Memorial curator, said the museum has been allocated 112.7m/- for upgrading the Arusha Declaration Memorial Hall. The project is 100 per cent complete, he added.

KADCO adding 100 parking lots

By Guardian Reporter, Moshi

THE Kilimanjaro Airports Development Company (KADCO) is seeking to increase parking spaces at the airport from 85 to 187 lots.

Christine Mwakatobe, KADCO managing director said here over the weekend that bulldozers are already on site working on a 2.7bn/- expansion project.

The move arises from the need to tame vehicle

congestion, thanks to an upsurge in tourist traffic, pushing KADCO to initiate plans to counter parking space shortage.

KIA needs to cope with pressure as tourists are streaming in big numbers, thanks to the documentary starring President Samia Suluhu Hassan, "Tanzania: The Royal Tour."

The airport is the strategic

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Participants at the two day international gas forum in Dar es Salaam viewing Oryx Gas installations at Kigamboni part of exchanges on the gas sector over the weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent



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entryway for about 80 percent of 1.5m tourists visiting the country annually, generating \$2.6bn in earnings.

It is the gateway for horticultural crop volumes meant for external markets, apart from exporting minerals, etc.

Parking space strains have lately been visible as at times KIA receives 300 tourist vehicles at one go, she said, noting that drivers spend a considerable amount of time in parking lots just to find a slot.

The scope of work involves the installation of cutting-edge floodlights, construction of a drainage system, resurfacing, plus revamping, widening of the parking area, a brochure indicates.

Expanding the parking lot has an environmental aspect for cars to maneuver, thus creating a safer environment for clients and staff, she said.

Expanding the parking area would augment benefits, creating more than 100 temporary jobs for residents around the airport as the work proceeds, she said.

Sirili Akko, the Tanzania Association of Tour Operators (TATO) chief executive officer, lauded the KADCO management for moving to expand the airport's parking lot.

This would offer holidaymakers a hassle-free trip right from arrival lounge, he said, noting that the number of tour-

ists has continued to rise day by day.

This follows relaxing travel restrictions globally as the Covid-19 pandemic waned following global vaccination campaigns, and the impact of 'The Royal Tour' documentary, he said.

International airlines landing at KIA were 11 in 2020 and 13 at present, with cargo traffic rising by leaps and bounds/ KIA posted a 26 percent increase in cargo volumes from 2019 to 2021, making a wider parking lot a requirement.

The Bank of Tanzania's latest economic update shows that in the year ending January 2023, travel receipts rose significantly to \$2.6bn as tourist arrivals attained the 1.5m mark last year from 0.9m the preceding year.

Tanzania is closer to full recovery as the pre-pandemic number of tourist arrivals stood at 1,527,230 in 2019.

Produced by Peter Greenberg, the maiden film featuring President Samia as his key guide, showcased Tanzania's wildlife heritage and an array of investment spheres, launched in New York in April last year.

Chroniclers say the documentary presents a 360-degree view of Tanzania as a breathtaking safari destination, as well as the personal attitude of the country's leader as reassuring for potential investors and holiday makers around the world.



Zanzibar Information, Youth, Culture and Sports minister Tabia Maulid Mwita (Centre standing back row) witnesses the signing of commercial partnership agreement of sports gear for Zanzibar Heroes between CRDB Bank representative chief commercial officer Boma Raballa (R) ZFF president Abdullatif Ali Yassin (C) and Sheria Ngowi from a representative from Clothing Design Company Sheria Ngowi (L) held over the weekend in Zanzibar. Others are ZFF vice president Hafidh Mohamed Ali (2nd L) and ZFF secretary Hussein Ahmada Vuai. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

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countrywide to take appropriate steps against those seen as an obstruction. The government provides a lot of funds for projects like roads, bridges, health centres and water projects, he said, demanding that members of the party's national executive committee hold

rallies to explain to the people what the projects involve and what the government expects on their being implemented in each area. These projects are the ones that enable the party to be trusted by the people and expect to win in the civic polls next year and the 2025 general election, the official noted. Ndele Mwaselela, a

member of NEC from the region, said given the range of development projects being implemented in the region, CCM expects to win in the coming polls. He expressed confidence that the ruling party is quite safe in Mbeya Region, while another NEC member Richard Kasesela called on the NSSF and PSSF boards to explain

the 35 per cent formula for lumpsum payments of benefits to retirees for their understanding. If they are unable to take up the matter in two weeks, he would raise the issue in the party's NEC meeting to see what can be done on the matter. Regional Commissioner Juma Homera said the government has implemented various devel-

opment projects in the region including building a maternity ward at the regional and zonal referral hospital costing 11bn/-. The government has signed two major contracts for the expansion of the 32km Tanzania Zambia highway (TANZAM) stretch to double-lane from Nsalaga near Mbeya to Songwe International Airport (SIA).



Barrick country manager, Melkiory Ngido, makes a presentation on how Barrick implements local content policy during 2nd of mining local content compliance forum which ended in Arusha over the weekend. The company also was the main sponsor of the conference which was organised by the government. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Z'bar reclaims land plot

By Guardian Reporter

RAHMA Kassim Ali, Zanzibar minister for Lands and Human Settlements Development has directed officials of the Zanzibar Commission of Lands in collaboration with Unguja West "B" District to reclaim the one-acre land plot at Fuoni.

The land plot is owned one by Faki Rashed Faki but it has been apportioned and sold for building residential houses instead of farming activities as directed by the Zanzibar government.

Rahma issued the directives during her visit at the area soon after learning about the sale of the apportioned government land plot.

"Restoration of this land plot to the government is a lesson to all those who were given land plots for farming purposes and instead apportioned them for sale," said the minister.

She added that the lands ministry will make sure to follow up all such government plots and stern measures will be taken against whoever will be found going against their correct use.

However, she called on the people who want to purchase land plots to go to the Zanzibar Commission of Lands because the in-

stitution was legally created to administer all issues regarding land ownership.

She stressed that any person given land and wants to change its use should follow laid down procedures

For his part, Unguja North "B" District Commissioner, Hamidi Seif Saidi pledged to implement the directives in deeds, saying the district will not hesitate to take action against any person who will go against government directives in regard to the use of the land plots.

For his part, Faki Rashed Faki who claimed that he inherited the land plot from his parents and apportioned it for sale to two people said he did not know that government land is not for sale and that it is an offence to do so.



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increase its contribution to national income to 10 percent by 2030. Strategies are being put in place to attract more youths to the sector, thus alleviating unemployment challenges, she asserted.

"We are today launching the first youth illustration farm in Dodoma that will be used for training. Similar farms will be es-

tablished in all districts countrywide," she specified.

She said the sixth phase government has within two years done a lot of things that spur the country's development through its various agencies and institutions. The government has been striving to ensure a friendlier environment for people to pursue social and economic opportunities.

Mary Chatanda, the UWT national chair-

person said that the president had demonstrated abilities to lead the country by reviving the country's economy that was highly affected by the outbreak of COVID-19.

She praised initiatives to appoint women at various leadership posts to ensure gender equality and attainment of the 50:50 agenda.

She similarly lauded the government's efforts to empower women through non-

interest loans, urging that authorities see to it that the loans are repaid on time so that more women can benefit from the funds.

She was especially happy about COVID-19 relief funds being used to purchase water wells drilling machines to ensure reliable availability of the precious liquid.

"This will enable women to concentrate on other income generating activities instead of spending too much time fetching

water."

Anna Abdallah, former veteran cabinet minister and chairperson of the Tanzania Women Parliamentary Group (TWPG) said Tanzanian women are proud of the president. "Your decisions to bring the nation together through the reconciliation initiative built in the 4Rs—reconciliation, resilience, reforms and rebuilding" were changing the country, she added.

Draw up environmental protection strategy - Jafo

By Guardian Reporter, Dodoma

DISTRICT Commissioners in the country have been called upon to make environmental protection agenda their top priority.

Dr Selemeni Jafo, Minister of State in the Vice President's Office (Union and Environment) made the call here at the weekend, saying the DCs should invent sustainable strategies to reduce the use of wood as fuel in order to tame rampant tree cutting in the country.

Dr Jafo (pictured) made the call here at the weekend when submitting priorities of the VP office to DCs to enable them understand the importance of the issue for implementation in their areas.

Addressing a seminar launched by Vice President Dr Philip Mpango in Dodoma, Dr Jafo called on DCs countrywide to continue with the tree planting exercise - with each district called to plant 1.5 million trees

He also praised them for supporting the government's efforts in making sure the environment is protected at all costs.

"Since we launched this tree planting camp on June 6 2021, you DCs have respectfully answered President Samia's call by supervising the exercise," he said.

Dr Jafo also called on the DCs to supervise the protection of water sources to make sure they do not dry up and cause water scarcity to the people.

The decision by the VP office to submit the priorities to the DCs stems from the request by the Minister of State in the President's Office - Regional Administration and Local Government (PO-RALG) calling for the implementation of ministerial sectoral activities.



Mwanza regional commissioner, Adam Malima (C), accompanied by Traffic Police Commander, Ramadhan Ng'anzi (R), gestures moments after he visited the Workers' Compensation Fund pavilion at the climax of Road Safety Week at Furahisha grounds in Mwanza city over the Weekend. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

EATV/Radio offer certificates to eight women from seven regions

By Correspondent Mary Kadoke

EAST African Television and East African Radio has offered certificates of appreciation to eight women from seven regions in the country as it comes to the climax celebration of 2023 'Mwanamke Kinara' programme that aims to recognise their significance and contribution in the community.

The event was held over the weekend in Dar es Salaam engaging women employees from the two media, stakeholders

and sponsors of the programme dubbed: 'Technology Innovation in Embracing Equity'.

East Africa Television LTD managing director Regina Mengi, presented certificates of appreciation to Lidia Kivinge, a farmer from Iringa, Mwanahalisi Nyagali, a tailor (Lindi), Cecilia Sholela, timber seller (Dodoma), Faustina Talasila, sanitary pads manufacturer (Mwanza) Elitruith Lukanga, an environmentalist (Mwanza), Linda Solomon, car mechanic (Arusha), Emaculatha Peter a house painter (Dar es Sa-

laam) and Khadija Galasia, food entrepreneur (Rukwa).

Jamii Forums CEO Maxence Mello, said it's time women gain confidence enough to make an impact in the digitized economy rather than waiting to be empowered by stakeholders or the government.

"Women you are capable. Remove the inferiority that you need to be empowered. Gain confidence enough so as to benefit in the digitized world. This is an eye for opportunity that needs to be looked at," he said.

Anna Kulaya, Women in Law and Development in Africa Tanzania (WILDAF) director said the recognition of impactful women in the community should go hand in hand with looking at ways on how to bring about gender equity in technology innovation.

"Today as we celebrate and recognize women, let us ask ourselves how we can value and empower women. The technology innovation has eased women's roles at a great percent however how do we make sure that the left few enjoy and reduce the

load of roles they need to fulfill as women towards gender equity promotion," she said.

"It is time lawmakers see the need to have specific laws on gender violence due to the available challenges on penal code that at some point doesn't offer justice to gender violence victims," she added.

Tanzania Breweries Limited (TBL) logistics country head Nancy Liwa, said it's time women learn financial planning from an individual to family level as far as financial independence is

concerned.

She called upon women directors to see ways on how they can influence women winning in digital inclusion and letting them believe that they can make a big impact with what they do.

This is the second phase of 'Mwanamke Kinara' programme having the first one launched March last year with an aim to recognise and award women who have not been recognised despite their significant contribution to the society literally known as 'Unsung heroes'.



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Founder and CEO of Women In Management Africa Awards Dr. Naïke Moshi gives welcome remarks during the 'Women In Management' Africa gala dinner 2023 held recently at Mlimani City in Dar es Salaam over the weekend. The Women In Management awards recognises the outstanding female leaders who are doing magnificent work in various management fields across Africa. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Participants laud energy firm for supporting clean cooking strategy

By Guardian Reporter

PARTICIPANTS of the recently held 'East Africa LPG Expo - Tanzania 2023' have commended investments by a local Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) company—Oryx Gas Tanzania Limited (OGTL).

They said that the move supports the government's efforts towards realising the national clean cooking strategy 2033 aimed to ensure 80 percent of the country's population use clean cooking fuels.

The LPG stakeholders and experts aired their views over the weekend when they visited OGTL industries in Dar es Salaam whereas they witnessed various activities including filling of gas cylinders, maintenance and transportation.

Coordinator and Director of the LPG Expo that was held for two days from March 15th to 16th, Catherine Ho said the visit at OGTL showed participants who came from across Africa that Tanzania is determined to further invest and improve the gas sector.

"It is time for stakeholders in the gas industry in East Africa, Africa and the world to join forces to ensure that the use of gas is given priority by each of us," she said.

Director of the Top Masai Company that engages in distribution of LPG gas, Winner Lukumay said he was impressed by the ongoing investment in the sector.

"The presence of gas increases business opportunities for Tanzanians at all levels, the supply chain does not end only with a large supplier but goes to small suppliers; the gas sector opens the country economically, it has opened the borders of our country," said Lukumay.

A stakeholder in the gas sector, Eng Isaac Maguhwa congratulated OGTL for the large investment that has been made saying they have witnessed the modern machinery used to carry out various activities related to gas.

"Our tour was aimed to see what Oryx Gas is doing, they have made a big investment, but our call is that Tanzania is blessed with abundant gas reserves

hence the need to continue promoting the sector and encourage the use of gas at home to reach a good number of people," he added.

Commenting on the visit, OGTL Operations Manager, Lukas Banzi said: "They have seen our modern factory fill gas by considering quality through the use of improved machines to ensure our customers get quality products as well as ensuring value for money."

"Our guests have seen and enjoyed how we work; they have seen how we store gas, maintenance of our cylinders and the security of the factory. We are proud because apart from supplying gas, we have also provided jobs in various areas," said Banzi.

He added that OGTL is proud of being an LPG distributor for home use, thus supporting the government's efforts to prevent Tanzanians from various health risks that may be caused by the use of dirty energy.



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INVITATION FOR PRE-QUALIFICATION OF VENDORS TO PROVIDE MARKETING SERVICES



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2. Mandatory Submission Condition:

a) Submission must meet all Condition Specified below.

Please provide copy of:

- Valid Business License, TIN & VAT Certificates
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- Company Registration Certificate of Incorporation, Business registration certificate
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Contact Person:	
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Job Opportunity – Senior Health Information Systems (HIS) Developer

Location: Dar es Salaam
Application deadline: 27th March 2023
Start date: 1st May, 2023

Background:

The University of California San Francisco (UCSF) is engaged in a five-year Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-Tanzania (CDC- Tanzania) to provide strategic information and health information systems (HIS) technical assistance to the Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children (MOHCDEGEC) as well as the United States' President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and their implementing partners (IPs). We are recruiting an individual through our affiliated international NGO 'Global Programs' to serve as a Health Information Systems Developer with a focus on C# programming.

This is a full-time position with an initial contract through September 2023 and the possibility of extension subject to continued funding. The position is expected to start on May 1, 2023.

Main duties and responsibilities:

Under the supervision of the Health Information Systems Director, the HIS Developer shall be responsible for designing, developing, implementing, testing, maintaining, auditing, and improving new and existing health information systems and project software. The developer will also bring expertise to activities related to developing EMR (electronic medical records), Lab, and other health information systems. The developer shall also ensure that all software developed conforms to set software development standards by conducting rigorous diagnosis, tests, code debugging, and technical documentation through reference manuals.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Work with the HIS team to design software solutions by studying information needs, systems flow, data usage, and work processes while adhering to the software development lifecycle.
- Evaluate, maintain, and evolve existing health information systems such as CTC2, CTC3, CTC Analytics, and Monthly Portal.
- Assist the HIS team in designing and implementing interoperability between existing health information systems such as CTC2, CTC3, CTC Analytics, Monthly Portal, Lab Visual Tool, IQSMS, PTCOI, etc.
- Support the piloting, rollout, training, and maintenance of HIS systems to Implementing Partners.
- Investigate, analyze, and make recommendations to management regarding technology improvements, upgrades, and modifications.
- Analyze user needs and software requirements to determine feasibility of design within time and cost constraints.
- Develop and coordinate software system testing and validation procedures, programming, and documentation.
- Prepare reference materials for users by writing operating instructions, flowcharts, layouts, diagrams, charts, code comments, and clear code
- Undertake other tasks within the scope of the role as directed by management from time to time

Experience, skills, and minimum required qualifications:

- A Bachelor's Degree or equivalent qualification in computer science, software engineering, or information systems required. Experience working with health information systems required.
- Advanced knowledge and skill with C# programming language. Advanced knowledge in Java, Python and other common programming languages is an added advantage.
- A minimum of 5 years of experience as a software developer or engineer; demonstrable experience in developing a variety of software systems while taking on increasing responsibility for analysis, design, implementation, and development tasks [reference required].
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NOTE: Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

2 YEARS OF MAMA SAMIA



NBC BANK CONGRATULATES PRESIDENT SAMIA SULUHU HASSAN ON THE COMMEMORATION OF HER SECOND ANNIVERSARY IN OFFICE

Tanzanians are celebrating the second anniversary of Her Excellency President Samia Suluhu Hassan's leadership. The National Bank of Commerce, the longest-serving bank in the country, accordingly congratulates her on her incredible stewardship which has opened more opportunities for inclusive economic growth.

The president has been at the forefront of the country's efforts to promote the well-being and financial inclusion of the people of Tanzania, a shift that has had a positive impact on women across the country.

The enhancement of access to affordable loans witnessed under her leadership is a tool that has played a pivotal role in improving gender equity and poverty reduction across Tanzania.

In complementing Her Excellency's efforts towards that end, NBC Bank has continued to devise and implement various focused initiatives as well as make customised products in support of women's social and economic development.

Last year (2022) saw the bank launch its first NBC Twiga Bond campaign, which was sought to raise funds to support women and youth entrepreneurs engaged in the agricultural value chain.

The TZS 30 billion offer was met with over 139 per cent over-subscription in funds specifically meant to support women and youth initiatives across the country.

At NBC Bank, we seriously believe



President Samia Suluhu Hassan has been touched by NBC's responsibility to society.

in diversity and inclusion as decisive tools for business success. Currently, 47 per cent of all our employees are women.

The bank boasts a special women's empowerment programme called NBC Women Network Forum. This nurtures women into managerial prowess through mentorships and career guidance.

The forum is also a platform for imparting financial knowledge to women nationwide. Through this programme, the bank seeks to increase the number of women in leadership positions within the bank itself.

Last year, the forum organised a special investment seminar for Tanzanian Women Members of Parliament, the idea being to equip them with



National Assembly Speaker Dr Tulia Ackson (R) enjoys with various participants during the economic opportunities seminar for women parliamentarians organized by the National Bank of Commerce (NBC) in Dodoma. Others are the bank's senior leaders led by the Chief Operating Officer Allelio Lowassa (C).

financial and investment knowledge and skills that would then be cascaded to women in the MPs' respective constituencies.

Meanwhile, through the NBC Dodoma International Marathon, NBC Bank raised more than TZS 500 million. The

amount was channelled to the Ocean Road Cancer Institute (ORCI) in Dar es Salaam to support the fight against cervical cancer - which is reckoned as the deadliest cancer afflicting women in Tanzania.

It is on record that the amount helped in the screening of more than 25,000 women, 1,300 of whom were diagnosed with cervical cancer and are recurrently undergoing treatment at ORCI.



President Samia Suluhu Hassan inaugurating a mobile clinic donated by NBC Bank to the Government of Zanzibar to promote maternal health care. The clinic has significantly improved mothers' and newborns' health care in Zanzibar.



NBC Bank Chief Executive Officer Theobald Sabi (third right) with other the bank's senior leaders congratulating themselves shortly after launching a three-year Twiga NBC Bond in Dar es Salaam which aims to raise funds of 30bn/- to expand the facilitation of affordable loans for small and medium enterprises, small agricultural sectors in the country. Looking on (R) is the Representative from the Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange Brighton Kinemo.



JICA STRENGTHENS COOPERATION WITH TANZANIA

JICA marks its 60 years of its cooperation activities with Tanzania in 2022 with strong support to the country's development journey.

The activities began in 1962, just one year after the independence of Tanganyika, when a single Government Official was accepted for technical training in Japan.

Since then, the activities of JICA continued to grow over the years and now in-

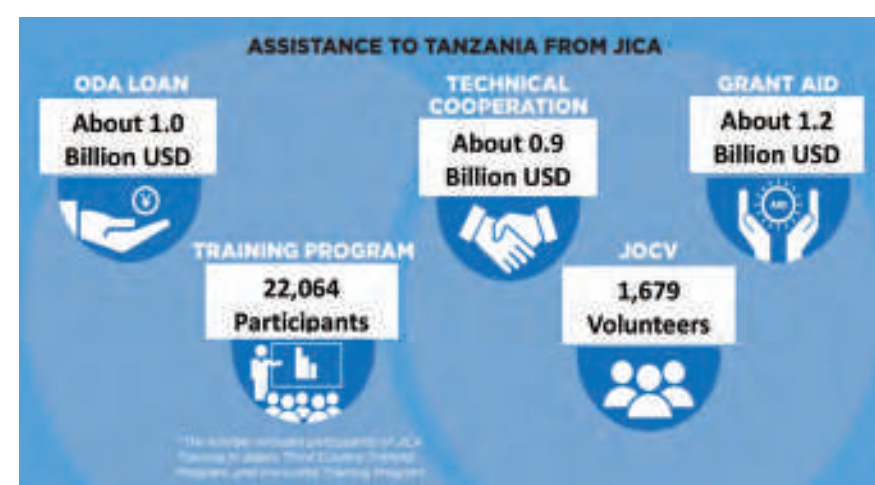
clude not only technical cooperation and Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV), but also the provision of grant aid and concessional loans.

Until August 2022, the total amount of cooperation to Tanzania from JICA had recorded up to USD 1.0 billion in terms of ODA Loan, USD 1.2 billion Grant Aid, USD 0.9 billion Technical Cooperation. In the same period, JICA provided train-

ing opportunities for 22,064 Tanzanians in Japan, in third countries and within Tanzania and dispatched 1,679 Volunteers to the country in various fields.

USD=106.9JPY Based on the past 10 years average exchange rate

JICA is typically supporting the self-help initiatives of the Tanzanian people in their endeavors to promote their social and economic development in line with its



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vision of "Leading the world with trust". JICA's activities in Tanzania are also fully in

line with Tokyo International Conference on African Development process,

namely "TICAD process" which places value on African ownership and international partnership - a process that started in 1993, means this year marks 30th anniversary.

It is significant to note that throughout the 61-year period, JICA's cooperation to Tanzania has been in line with the country's development plans and priorities.

1. TWO YEARS OF PRESIDENT SAMIA SULUHU HASSAN (2021 -)

Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan was sworn in on March 19, 2021, after the late President John Magufuli. Like for previous administrations, JICA continued to support various development activities in the country during her two years in service basing on the Governments' priorities and needs of the Tanzanian people.



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA

During this period, the Third Five - Year Development Plan (2021/22 - 2025/26) was launched. The Plan em-

phasized on the development of key productive infrastructures including roads, railways, water, air transport, improvement of the business environment, private sector development, energy devel-

opment and gender equality. Harmonizing with the Plan, JICA extended a variety of projects both on Tanzania Mainland and in Zanzibar, in three priority areas such as "Nurturing Driving Forces of Economic Growth", "Infrastructure Development Conducive to Economic and Social Development" and "Improvement of Governance and the Public Service Delivery".

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

JICA implemented several projects in line with the government priorities as follows;

i. New Bagamoyo Road Phase 2 Project

On December 5, 2021, Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan officially launched a Widened New Bagamoyo Road in Dar es Salaam. The grant aid of about USD35 million (JPY3.782billion) sourced from the Government of Japan, through JICA, aimed at widening the 4.3 km road, for reducing traffic congestion in the city.



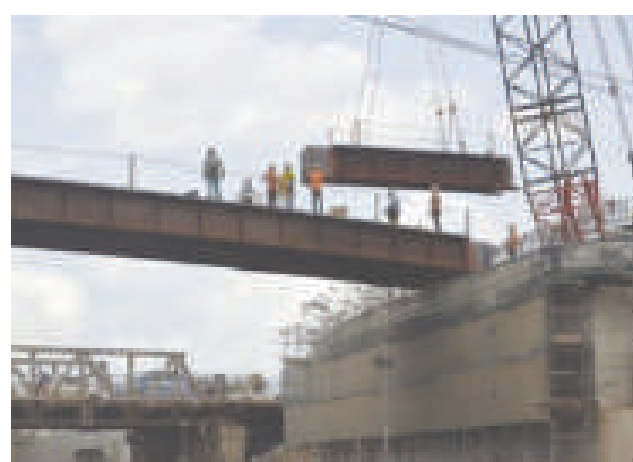
President of Tanzania Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan launching the New Bagamoyo Road Phase 2 on December 5, 2021 in Dar es Salaam.

ii. Gerezani Bridge

JICA has been working hand in hand with the Government of Tanzania to tackle the challenges of Dar es Salaam's infrastructure for over 40 years now. In 2022, JICA and Government of Tanzania completed the Project for Improvement of Transport Capacity in Dar es Salaam (Gerezani Bridge Project).

The new steel girder Gerezani Bridge with

four-lane carriageways, central median of 9.6m for BRT and pedestrian walkways on both sides, will secure smooth and safe traffic flow, thereby reducing congestion; travel time shortened hence reduced transportation costs; and improved access to the city center and port facilities. Gerezani area was evaluated as a high priority project in Dar es Sa-



The Gerezani Bridge construction

laam Transport Policy and System Development Master Plan 2006/2008 supported by JICA.

iii. Malindi Fish Landing Site and Market Facility

JICA and Government of Tanzania completed the project for construction of the Malindi Fish Landing Site and Marketing Facilities in Zanzibar's Urban West District, which was launched by the President and Chairman of the Zanzibar Revolutionary Council, Dr. Hussein Ali MWINYI, on January 10, 2023.

The about USD12.7million (JPY1.353billion) facility became the Zanzibar's largest fishing port aimed at boosting the blue economy in the Isles and improve people's health and incomes.



H.E. Dr. Hussein Mwinyi, President of the Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar, officially inaugurating the project "Development of Malindi Fish Landing and Marketing Facilities in Zanzibar"

iv. Next INnovation with JAPAN (NINJA)

NINJA is a start-up support initiative designed to support entrepreneurs and start-ups in developing countries which are creating innovative business models and technologies to solve social issues. NINJA's support includes entrepreneurship development activities, business matching, promotion of venture/impact investment, and policy recommendations to strengthen the ecosystem.

JICA Tanzania launched the first NINJA competition in 2020, and the second NINJA in January 2022 (NINJA2) to continuously support further start-ups in Tanzania, who are trying to overcome Tanzanian social challenges.

v. Ladies First

JICA in collaboration with the National Sports Council of Tanzania [NSCT] and Athletics Tanzania [AT] have been organizing a ladies-focused athletics event called "Ladies First" at Benjamin Mkapa National Stadium since 2017 with the main objectives of women's empowerment and gender equality.

The latest event "The Fourth Ladies First" was conducted on January 21 and 22, 2023, and 180 women from 30 regions out of 31 participated



Winfrida Makenji, who won two gold medals in the 100 and 200 meters races during the 4th Ladies First event, competing at 100M race.

in this competition. In this two days, female athletes drawn from all Regions of Tanzania stiffly contest.

vi. JICA Program for Japanese Studies at UDSM

JICA and the University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM) for the first time organized a "Japan-Tanzania Innovation Forum" under the JICA PROGRAM FOR JAPANESE STUDIES at UDSM on February 9th and 10th, 2023. The two-day event, which was conducted both physically and online, attracted more than 600 participants from Universities, the public and private sectors.

The call for all students and higher learning institutions of Tanzania was taken more attention to develop more innovative ideas and implement them utilizing various networks including relations with Japan. This program is expected to be conducted every year.

Those above, are few projects implemented by JICA just recently. Prior to those, JICA has been cooperating with Tanzania with different presidents as follows:



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2. THE PERIOD OF PRESIDENT JULIUS KAMBARAGE NYERERE (1961 – 1985):



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA:

During the era of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, the first President of Tanzania, the newly independent Tanzania initiated policies which aimed at fighting what the administration termed as “the three enemies” of the nation namely: ignorance, disease and poverty and requested Development partners, including JICA, to extend support to the country to help fight those “enemies”. Therefore, JICA be-

gan cooperation mainly in the area of human resource development, which is the foundation for nation building, starting with the acceptance of trainees and dispatching Japanese experts to various parts of Tanzania.

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

Based on the request of the new nation to support the nation building, JICA implemented various activities aiming at poverty alleviation such as agriculture development commencing with Kilimanjaro Region. In this regard, JICA dispatched experts in the field of agriculture and supported the establishment of the Kilimanjaro Agricultural Development Centre (KADC).

Moreover, faced with a severe shortage of qualified manpower, the country partnered with Japan to redress the situation. JICA accepted Tanzanians for training in Japan and in third countries and also dispatched the Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV) to Tanzania, to build human capacity in the public sector. The first batch of the volunteers ar-



One of the first JOCV members teaching sewing skills to a young mother (1967)

rived in the country in 1967. The JOCV's have been dispatched in various sectors and fields including agriculture, education, health, infrastruc-

ture development etc.

In the 1970's, JICA supported the efforts of the Government in enhanc-

ing the livelihoods of Tanzanians through establishment of the Kilimanjaro Agricultural Development Centre (now Kilimanjaro Agricultural Train-

ing Centre - KATC), where thousands of farmers from across the country were trained in rice cultivation techniques. Moreover, JICA partnered with the Government in establishing the Lower Moshi and Ndungu Irrigation schemes in Kilimanjaro Region during the same period. These schemes enhanced extensively the livelihoods of the people in the concerned areas. In addition, the 1980's saw JICA supporting the improvement and rehabilitation of Dar es salaam city centre roads. The rehabilitation resulted into the promotion of economic activities by facilitating easy and safe movement of people and goods. The iconic bridge, (Selander Bridge) in Dar es Salaam was constructed during this time. It was constructed with JICA support in 1980, thereby alleviating the chronic traffic congestion which was being observed in the area during that time. It was in the same year (1980) that JICA opened its full scale office in the country to implement its activities in the country and to make such activities more effective.

3. THE PERIOD OF PRESIDENT ALI HASSAN MWINYI (1985 – 1995):



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA:

This period saw the ushering in of the Trade Liberalization policy, whereby private investment was highly encouraged by the Government. In addition, the government continued to promote agriculture and industrial development policies. JICA continued to expand areas of cooperation, with particular emphasis on agricultural and industrial development.



Farmers undergoing training at the Kilimanjaro Agricultural Training Centre (KATC)

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

JICA initiated projects such as the Kilimanjaro Industrial Development Centre (KIDC) - a project whose major thrust was to develop industrialization in the country to be in tandem.

In addition in order to promote afforestation and environ-

ment conservation, JICA initiated the Dodoma based Green- Cooperation Project, which was implemented by members of the Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCVs). Moreover, JICA initiated the Lower Moshi Irrigation Development Project to further support the Government efforts in agriculture development.

5. THE PERIOD OF PRESIDENT JAKAYA MRISHO KIKWETE (2005 – 2015):



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA:

During this period, the First Five-Year Development Plan (2011/12 - 2015/16) was launched. It laid strong emphasis on the development of roads infrastructure, industrial development, electricity generation, food self-sufficiency, energy development, water development and development of education. JICA took lead in several sectors in donor coordination and was in close communication with the Tanzanian gov-



Iringa - Shinyanga Backbone Transmission Project

ernment, such as in policy dialogues, to promote cooperation more in line with the Five-Year Development Plan.

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

To promote industrialization, JICA launched the Project on Strengthening Manufacturing Enterprises through Quality and Productivity Improvement, commonly known as the KAIZEN project. Moreover, to support the

Government efforts to improve electricity generation and transmission, JICA supported the Iringa - Shinyanga Backbone Transmission Project, through Tanzania's power utility company, the Tanzania Electric Power Supply Company Limited (TANESCO).

As for the water development, JICA supported the Project for the Enhancement of Water Supply Management of the Zanzibar Water Authority (ZAWA).

4. THE PERIOD OF PRESIDENT BENJAMIN WILLIAM MKAPA (1995 – 2005):



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA:

This period was characterized by the initiation of many reforms to enhance efficiency in the provision and delivery of Government services. Such reforms included: Public Sector Reform Program, Local Government Reforms and so forth. In addition, the Government came out to launch a special strategy to develop agriculture, considering that about 80 % of the population depend on for their livelihoods. During this period, JICA further strengthened its activities in the country. In the year 2004, the



O&OD Project Workshop

Agreement on Technical Cooperation was signed between Government of Japan and Tanzania.

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

Regarding to the donor coordination, especially in the agricultural sector, JICA in collaboration with 7 other Development Partners (Ireland, Denmark, European Union, DFID, FAO, World Bank, WFP) teamed up with the Government to formulate the Agricultural Sector Development Strategy (ASDS) in 2002. Japan through JICA provided the Secretariat of the ASDS. To implement the ASDS, the Agricultural Sector Development Program (ASDP) was thereafter formed and JICA played

a key role in its formulation. In addition, during this period the JICA - supported Kilimanjaro Agricultural Training Centre (KATC) was further strengthened by providing more training opportunities for farmers from across the country. Moreover, to support the Local Government reforms programs, JICA, during this period initiated the Strengthening Participatory Planning and Community Development Cycle for Good Local Governance Project (O&OD Project). Through this project many high ranking Central and Local Government Officials were accepted for training in both Japan and locally and is now commonly referred to as the “OSAKA

6. THE PERIOD OF PRESIDENT JOHN POMBE MAGUFULI (2015 – 2021):



(a) Government priorities, Needs of the Tanzanian People and JICA:

During this period, the Second Five - Year Development Plan (2016/17 - 2020/21) was launched. It laid emphasis on the development of infrastructure development, manufacturing, mining, enhancement in the provision of social services such as health, education, water and so forth. JICA implemented a number of projects including the improvement of the road situation



Mfugale Flyover in Dar es salaam

in Dar es salaam. Moreover, JICA increased the efforts to enhance the partnership with private sectors for co-creation, beyond conventional ODA.

(b) JICA's Activities during this period:

JICA supported the construction of the first flyover in Tanzania, the “Mfugale Flyover” in Dar es Salaam.

JICA aims at supporting Tanzania's economic development by di-

rectly encouraging the partnership between the Japanese and Tanzanian private sectors in promotion, investment, and transfer of technology to the country, through such projects as “Fostering Car Mechanic and Car Maintenance Factory Network through Car Maintenance in Professional Practice Project”, “Market-Oriented Agriculture enabler of Sweet Potato Varieties, Production and Storage Technology Disseminating Project”, and “Off-Grid Solar Power Project”, etc..

7. 60 years History in Tanzania

Over the 60 years, JICA's activities have continued to grow and expand to support many social and economic development activities with Tanzanian government and Tanzanian people.

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**Taking A New Look
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Economic growth is most powerful instrument for reducing poverty

A partnership is an arrangement where parties, known as business partners, agree to cooperate to advance their mutual interests. The partners in a partnership may be individuals, businesses, interest-based organisations, schools, governments or combinations. Organisations may partner to increase the likelihood of each achieving their mission and to amplify their reach. A partnership may result in issuing and holding equity or may be only governed by a contract.

Partnerships have a long history; they were already in use in Medieval times in Europe and in the Middle East. According to a 2006 article, the first partnership was implemented in 1383 by Francesco di Marco Datini, a merchant of Prato and Florence. The Covoni company (1336-40) and the Del Buono-Bencivenni company (1336-40) have also been referred to as early partnerships, but they were not formal partnerships.

In Europe, the partnerships contributed to the Commercial Revolution which started in the 13th century.

In the 15th century the cities of the Hanseatic League, would mutually strengthen each other; a ship from Hamburg to Danzig would not only carry its own cargo but was also commissioned to transport freight for other members of the league.

This practice not only saved time and money, but also constituted a first step toward partnership. This capacity to join forces in reciprocal services became a distinctive feature, and a long lasting success factor, of the Hanseatic team spirit.

Tanzania has been shortlisted in the 2020 installment of the prestigious 'World Trade Promotion Organisation Award.'

Official statement from the International Trade Centre (ITC) revealed here that 18 national trade promotion organisations have been shortlisted for the 2020 World Trade Promotion Organisation (WTPO) Awards with Tanzania listed among the seven countries that stood up in the 'Best Use of Partnership,' category.

The shortlisted organisations are competing in three categories, including the 'Best use of a partnership,' in which Colombia, Egypt, Sweden, the Netherlands, Viet Nam, Zimbabwe and the United Republic of Tanzania have been slotted.

There is also the 'Best use of information technology,' where Brazil, China, Georgia, Malaysia, Portugal and the United Arab Emirates topped the bill, while for the 'Best initiative for inclusive and sustainable trade,' it was Austria, Costa Rica, Lithuania, Saint Lucia and Spain that got listed up.

The winners will be announced at the 13th WTPO Conference in to be held in Accra, Ghana, on the 14th of October, this year.

The WTPO Awards 2020 received 60 applications, the highest number since the awards were created in 2004. A jury of peers selected the shortlist. The jury is comprised of the 2018 award winners, and is chaired by ITC Executive Director Dorothy Tembo.

The competition, open to all national trade promotion organisations, recognizes excellence in trade support services.

Firms should take internal audits extremely seriously and perform with utmost sincerity

THE internal auditing is an independent, objective assurance and consulting activity designed to add value to and improve an organisation's operations.

It helps an organisation accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes. Internal auditing achieves this by providing insight and recommendations based on analyses and assessments of data and business processes.

With commitment to integrity and accountability, internal auditing provides value to governing bodies and senior management as an objective source of independent advice. Professionals called internal auditors are employed by organizations to perform the internal auditing activity.

The scope of internal auditing within an organization is broad and may involve topics such as an organisation's governance, risk management and management controls over: efficiency/effectiveness of operations (including safeguarding of assets), the reliability of financial and management reporting, and compliance with laws and regulations.

Internal auditing may also involve conducting proactive fraud audits to identify potentially fraudulent acts; participating in fraud investigations under the direction of fraud investigation professionals, and conducting post investigation fraud audits to identify control breakdowns and establish financial loss.

Internal auditors are not responsible for the execution of company activities; they advise

management and the board of directors (or similar oversight body) regarding how to better execute their responsibilities. As a result of their broad scope of involvement, internal auditors may have a variety of higher educational and professional backgrounds.

The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) is the recognised international standard setting body for the internal audit profession and awards the Certified Internal Auditor designation internationally through rigorous written examination.

The Internal Auditing profession evolved steadily with the progress of management science after World War II. It is conceptually similar in many ways to financial auditing by public accounting firms, quality assurance and banking compliance activities.

While internal auditors are not independent of the companies that employ them, independence and objectivity are a cornerstone of the IIA professional standards; and are discussed at length in the standards and the supporting practice guides and practice advisories. Professional internal auditors are mandated by the IIA standards to be independent of the business activities they audit.

Auditors in the Tanzania have been advised to discharge their duties in line with global practices because of the critical roles they play in detecting and deterring fraud in organisations.

Vice President Institute of Internal Auditors Tanzania (IIA), Juma Kimori made the call over the weekend when speaking at the audit awareness seminar, organised for journalists from different media outlets.

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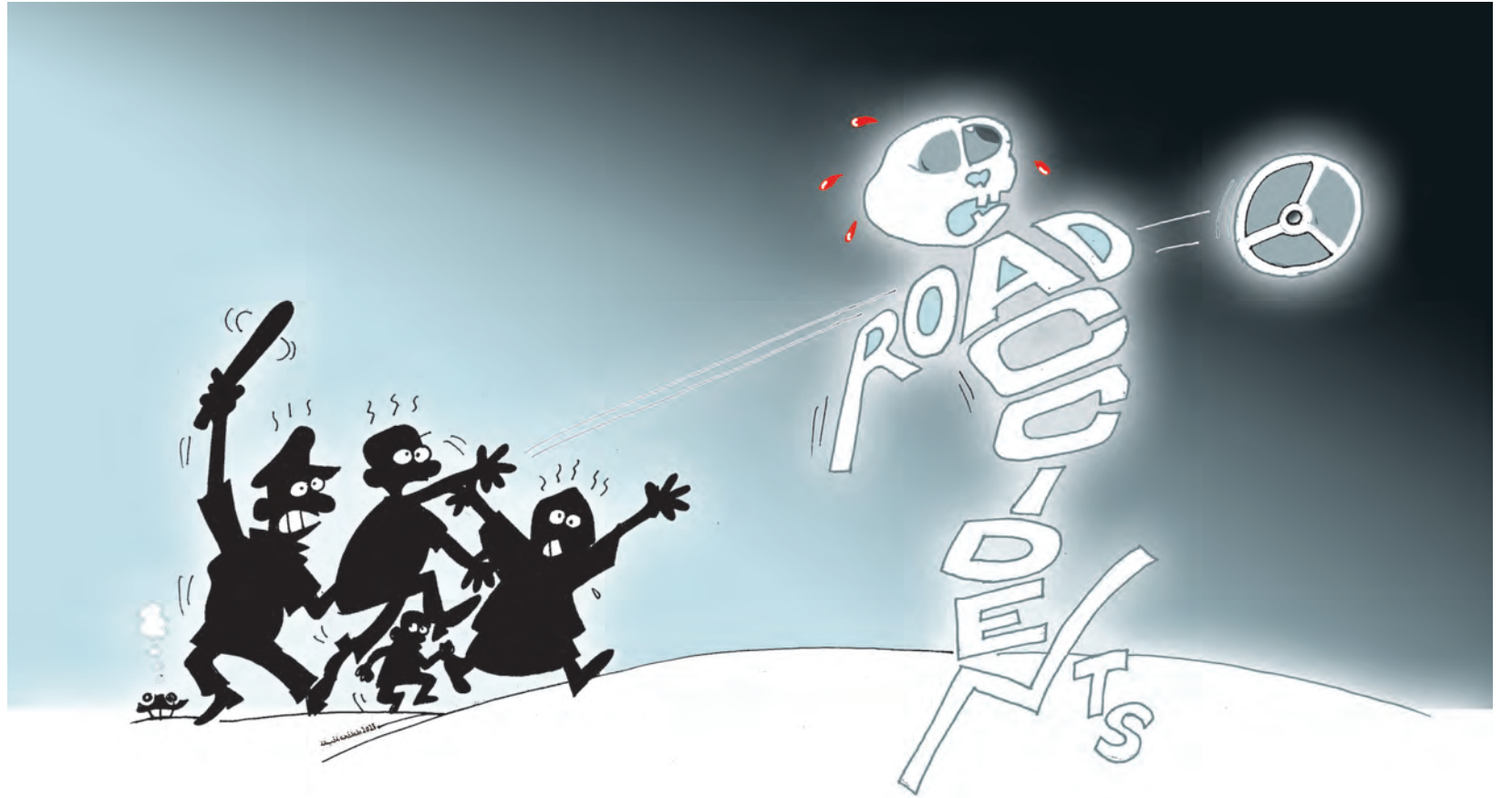
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We must act more decisively to combat racism, discrimination and intolerance

By Special Correspondent

I have recently visited Goree Island in Senegal, the infamous "door of no return" from which countless Africans were sent in chains to the Americas during the transatlantic slave trade.

As I moved around the island where thousands of human beings were traded as commodities, I was particularly appreciative that the United Nations General Assembly had made 2011 the International Year for People of African Descent. At the center of this initiative is the promotion of the economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights of people of African descendants, as well as their participation and integration in all aspects of society.

An early opportunity to reinvigorate advocacy is the annual commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination which falls on March 21.

This date was chosen because it marks the massacre that occurred in 1960 when 69 demonstrators were shot and killed during a non-violent protest against apartheid in Sharpeville, South Africa. The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is an annual reminder that we must act more decisively to combat racism, discrimination and intolerance. The increasing number of incidences in various parts of the world proves that enhanced commitments to full and effective implementation of international human rights law to counter these scourges are urgently needed.

Unlike previous commemorations, this year's International Day



for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination has a special focus on people of African descent to highlight persistent exclusion and marginalization that continue to affect them. Many of these people are the progeny of the victims of the transatlantic slave trade, one of the greatest stains on human conscience.

The statistics bear out the enormity of this crime against humanity. Although estimates vary due to a lack of accurate documentation, it is thought that around 14 million Africans were transported to the Americas as slaves, and an additional 14 million were sent to the East.

In the Americas alone, the number of Afro-descendants exceeds 200 million and many of them live in dire circumstances.

They are often among those who are affected the most by poverty, unemployment and precarious living conditions. This is not a mere accident of fate. We must recognize that at the root of this deplorable reality is structural discrimination

that had its origins in places like Goree Island.

Indeed, the legacy of the slave trade persists in many of today's practices. We see reflections of discrimination against African descendants in racial profiling, overrepresentation in prison populations and poor access to quality education, justice and health services. All these obstacles, created by prejudice, intolerance and inequality, deny millions of people their universal human rights.

As recently as April 2009, at the Durban review conference against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, and related intolerance 182 States agreed that a renewed commitment was imperative to counter these scourges. It is high time to heed these pledges.

While UN commemorations offer opportunities to discuss and tackle the many challenges that people of African descent continue to face due to racism and racial discrimination, they also provide high pro-

file platforms to showcase and celebrate their myriad contributions in all areas of human endeavour. In the arts and sciences, the law and politics, people of African descent have etched their mark in history, shaped nations and advanced the highest ideals of freedom, progress, resilience, industry, and self-reliance.

Yet, in too many cases, history books, school curricula, and oral traditions do not accurately reflect the wealth and span of African descendants' heritage, work and achievements. These wilful or negligent gaps must be filled with the narratives of pain, strife and success that uniquely belonged to people of African descent and that they continue to experience.

I hope that 2011 will generate profound discussions regarding the challenges facing people of African descent and provide a multiplicity of fora where innovative proposals and solutions to face up to these challenges can be found.

Gambia: Hungry world getting worse!

By Special Correspondent

THE world has perhaps never seen this level of simultaneous agricultural disruption, according to agriculture executives, industry analysts, farmers and economists interviewed by Reuters, meaning it may take years to return to global food security.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine, a major agricultural exporter, sent prices of wheat, soy and corn to near records earlier this year. Poor weather has also reduced grain harvests in China, India, South America and parts of Europe. Fertiliser shortages meanwhile are cutting yields of many crops around the globe.

Ukraine's grain output could take years to rebuild after fighting wrecked crop handling, storage and shipping infrastructure in a country that accounted for as much as 17 per cent

of global corn exports and 11 per cent of wheat exports before the war. The war will create a global wheat shortage for at least three seasons, according to Ukraine's agriculture minister. Ahead of a crucial North American harvest, grain seeding delays from Manitoba to Indiana have sparked worries about lower production. A smaller corn crop in the top-producing United States will ripple through the supply chain and leave consumers paying even more for meat than they already are, as corn is a key source of livestock feed.

The difficulty planting corn, the single largest grain crop in the world, in the northern United States adds to a string of troubled crop harvests worldwide that point to multiple years of tight supplies and high food costs.

U.S. farmers may also leave unplanted some 3.2 million acres earmarked for corn and in-

stead file prevented planting insurance claims that can compensate them when weather prohibits planting, according to University of Illinois economists.

The problems extend north across the border in Canada, where heavy snowfall through April was followed by a May rain storm that washed out Gary Momotiuk's fields.

In mid-June, Momotiuk still had 1,200 acres unplanted. He abandoned plans to sow profitable canola and wheat crops because they would not have time to mature, and hoped to seed barley to feed his cattle.

Manitoba, the third-biggest provincial grower of spring wheat and canola in Canada, left 880,000 acres unplanted, the most in eight years and representing 9 per cent of the province's insured farmland, according to its agriculture department.



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Bombo hospital expands hearing loss treatment to newborns as cases rise

By Correspondent Cheji Bakari, Tanga

HEARING loss is a global public health burden with data from the World Health Organization (WHO) showing that 34 million children have deafness or hearing loss, of which 60 per cent of cases are due to preventable causes. At the other end of the lifespan, approximately 30 per

cent of people over 60 years of age have hearing loss.

Hearing loss in children can be present at birth (congenital) or develop later in childhood (acquired). Congenital hearing loss can be hereditary (genetic) or caused by infections during pregnancy, including infection with cytomegalovirus or rubella.

Primary school children were screened for hearing loss by the Muhimbili National Hospi-

tal Mloganzila and an otoscopy was performed on those who failed the screening. A total of 403 children were screened from three schools in rural areas of Tanzania and prevalence of hearing loss was found to be 7.1 per cent, 10.8 per cent and 16.7 per cent in the three schools.

The problem can affect one or both ears and ranges from mild to profound. Even mild hearing loss can interfere with

a child's speech and language skills. The earlier children with hearing loss start getting services, the more likely they are to reach their full potential.

After recording significant number of patients in its Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) clinic, Bombo Regional Referral Hospital in Tanga Region has announced it will start screening and treating hearing loss newborns from May this year.

Dr Mohamed Sachedin, ENT

specialist at Bombo revealed the plan here during a fun walk in preparation for the commemoration of the World Oral Health Day (WOHD) today. He said that the introduction of the service will make Bombo one of the few hospitals in country that provide such services to newborn babies.

Dr Sachedin said for the period of three months from January to March this year, doctors attended to 1,000 patients



Dr Mohamed Sachedin, ENT specialist at Bombo Regional Referral Hospital addresses journalists on improvement and expansion of services at the facility. Photo/ correspondent Cheji Bakari

in the hospital's ENT clinic and 50 per cent of those checked were found with hearing loss and other associated problems.

The expert said that according to various studies, hearing problems can start once a baby is born and if not treated at early stages, the same can extend to old and become complicated whereas screening and treatment at early stage can solve the problem.

"Hearing loss can be either temporary or permanent depending on the type and cause. Ear tubes surgery or medication can restore a child's hearing," he said.

"Children with permanent hearing loss are often able to hear some sounds with technologies such as hearing aids or cochlear implants. Early intervention services can play a critical role in helping young children develop language and communication skills."

To avoid hearing loss, he suggested that people should wear a hearing protector if the noise or sound level they are exposed to is close to or greater than the occupational exposure limits.

Abdiel Makange, Bombo Regional Referral Hospital Secretary said early intervention is important for effective treatment, adding that ENT specialists have a duty and responsibility to educate the public on how to take care of their health.

"Teeth for example are essential parts that make someone smile and look charming. Now imagine if the teeth are left to decay or are removed yet someone needs to smile," he said.

Makange said that the hospital is implementing a project of widening the scope of its referral services whereby it recently installed a CT scan machine which has since reduced referrals to other hospitals by 70 per cent. Another referral service which is currently available at Bombo is kidney dialysis which patients in Tanga Region sought in other regions in the country as well as Nairobi, Kenya. Another is diagnostic imaging procedures through X-ray through computer technology.

"On behalf of the management of the hospital, I would like to thank the government availing funds which improved and expanded services at Bombo Regional Referral Hospital tremendously," he said.



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During the two years of your leadership, we have seen great improvements and changes in the health sector and we as an institution have been touched by those changes and therefore we congratulate you for the various efforts you are taking including increasing the budget in the health sector.

We promise to continue to sincerely support the government of the sixth phase by working hard and bringing more progress in the health sector in the country.

Kazi Iendelee

HE. Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan
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The World-Wide Fund for Nature Tanzania Country Office is implementing the Trillion Trees Program aiming at unlocking sustainable financing for Forest Landscapes Restoration. Trillion Trees (TT) is a major initiative conceived by Restore Our Planet, a UK-based environmental foundation. A group of three international conservation organizations – the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), the World-Wide Fund for Nature (WWF-UK & Tanzania) and BirdLife International (BLI) will implement the program.

Currently, there are many major initiatives attempting to respond to world's forest threats including the widespread deforestation and depletion of ecosystem, Trillion Trees (TT) is just one part of the very significant global effort that is needed. TT has a particular focus on enhancing the scale and effectiveness of implementation of these initiatives. The TT seeks to promote even higher levels of ambition regarding both outcomes and the mobilization of finance, and a longer-term vision. In response to the above environmental challenges, Tanzania joined other African States in 2018 and pledged to restore 5.2 million hectares of degraded and deforested land under the African Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative (AFR100), a Pan-African initiative to restore 100 million hectares of degraded and deforested land in Africa by 2030. With regards to the above narratives, WWF calls for a consultant to provide substantive support to WWF Tanzania, CSOs partners in developing funding proposals in the format of a targeted donor institutions.

Objective of the consultancy
 The overall objective of the consultancy is to provide substantive support to WWF Tanzania, CSOs partners in developing funding proposals in the format of a targeted donor institutions

Specifically; i. To identify different sources of funding available for FLR initiatives. ii. To research and identify potential donors and develop a database or map existing data bases which are regularly updated summarising the range of donors potentially interested in funding FLR initiatives iii. To identify other funding opportunities internationally and locally, and provide recommendations for next steps in approaching these sources of funding. iv. To prioritise potential funding opportunities according to the best possible match between the scope of projects activities and donor interests. v. Assess the capacity and prospects for long-term fundraising strategic goals and actions and partnerships in the country. This task includes review of existing assessment of trends in corporate giving and CSOs fundraising network. vi. Develop a fundraising strategy with the aim of securing at least 4 partnerships, through identifying at least 5 corporate or DPs that could support FLR initiatives; conduct meetings with corporates or DPs and work to secure at least 2 medium term funding and formalise through MoU. vii. Create fundraising materials for use in the course of soliciting resources for FLR initiatives

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Consultancy Assignment
Facilitate Internal Capacity in Designing and Development of Bankable NbS Projects.

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Bankable Nature Based Solutions (BNS) are financially viable projects which support the development of more climate resilient and sustainable landscapes and economies. Their bankability enables projects to accelerate scaling and replication, realizing large-scale positive impact on nature and communities. WWF searches and develops projects to protect nature and connect them to investors. The intention is to develop these into profitable projects for all the ones involved. Thus, Bankable Nature Based Solutions are solutions for environmental challenges that at the same time generate an acceptable (risk-adjusted) return on the money invested. There is a fragmented knowledge of Bankable Nature projects within and outside WWF. NbS/bankable projects is a new problematic concept that needs to be articulated to trainees with practical examples before engaging them in designing and developing BNPs. Therefore, WWF seeks for a consultancy support to provide capacity development and training to strengthen knowledge and skillset on innovative writing of bankable proposal for nature conservation.

Objective of the consultancy
 The main objective is to deliver a training course on effective way of developing bankable conservation projects that meets donor requirements.

Specifically; i. Identify different sources of funding that could be available donors that would be most feasible to Tanzania and WWF TCO in particular. ii. Train participants to gain an understanding of project proposal development explaining the possibilities and challenges of developing conservation projects/programmes to protect biodiversity. Provide examples of successful Conservation Projects. iii. Train the participants in searching and accessing funding opportunities and call for proposal from bilateral and multilateral donors on both restricted and unrestricted fund windows; iv. Train participants in techniques for fundraising especially engagement with corporate and philanthropists; v. Guide participants to develop at least 2 draft project proposal, that identifies at potential donors such as Bilateral and Multilateral, Corporate and DPs that could support environmental conservation initiatives; vi. Train participants on negotiation skills and contract management; vii. Develop a training manual covering the above aspects with case studies

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Growing pains: EFF's 10 years of adding fuel to the fire

By Queenin Masuabi

SINCE the EFF was founded 10 years ago, Julius Malema and his Red Berets have made citizens sit up and take note - for all the right and wrong reasons.

The party shook politics on its first outing when it won 6.35 per cent of the vote in the general election of 2014. It contested its first local elections in 2016, getting 8.19 per cent.

In 2019, the Red Berets increased their support nationally, garnering 10.80 per cent of the votes and, in the 2021 local elections, they received 10.31 per cent.

In 2014, the EFF was able to get seats in Parliament, a feat for any new party, but it was in 2016 that it became a real game-changer in politics. For the first time, the ANC failed to win more than 50 per cent in the majority of metros.

As kingmakers, the Red Berets decided to work with the DA, keeping the once high and mighty governing party out in the cold.

The ANC lost Johannesburg, Tshwane and Nelson Mandela Bay, retaining only Ekurhuleni, Buffalo City, Mangaung and eThekweni.

However, Herman Mashaba's resignation from the DA heralded the end of the arrangement with the EFF. The break-

down in the parties' relationship ended the DA's rule in Johannesburg, a big blow to the official opposition. After that, the DA vowed never to work with the EFF again.

Despite the relationship between the parties ending on a sour note, the EFF continued trying to keep the ANC out of power and voted with the DA in most municipalities.

However, the latest coalition talks between the EFF and the governing party have facilitated a change - an agreement that could dethrone the DA in the councils where it, together with other smaller parties, has been able to have the majority of seats.

This move has given the EFF the opportunity to have its members be mayoral committee members and speakers - and it has left the ANC at the mercy of the Red Berets. In the light of the earlier example of what happened with the DA and the recent collapse of an agreement between the EFF and the IFP in KwaZulu-Natal, it's clear that Malema is always ready to play hardball.

Political analyst Levy Ndou says that, although the EFF has made strides over the years, there is room for improvement. He points in particular to the party's conduct in Parliament, which could be detrimental to its standing in society.



EFF leader Julius Malema

"The EFF has achieved a lot. The party has been able to grow its support base throughout the country and overtake the DA as the main opposition in some areas," he says.

"Their numbers in the National Assembly have increased and their membership numbers stand at 1 million. They have all reason to celebrate."

However, at the same time, the EFF

needs to evolve into a trusted alternative to the ANC, which Ndou believes will not be possible until it stops its antics in Parliament.

"The EFF needs to look at strategies on how to approach issues in Parliament.

"They are known for disruptions and that has the potential to be a weak point for the party," he says.

The EFF's arrival in Parliament had South Africans intrigued by its shenanigans. The first was the party's decision to swap formal wear for overalls, gumboots and aprons, symbolising the party's support for the working class.

The 2015 State of the Nation Address (Sona) by former president Jacob Zuma was the first for the Fighters.

They ended up heckling Zuma, chanting "Pay back the money", which led to their removal from Parliament.

Every year, it continues to disrupt Sona. Malema founded the radical left-wing organisation in 2013. He was still bruised from being cast out of the ANC just a year earlier. In 2011, he was suspended from the ANC and later expelled for bringing the party into disrepute and sowing division.

The first recorded meeting of the EFF was at Uncle Tom's Hall in Soweto in July 2013. Before that, Malema worked on the ground. The first opportunity he saw to

introduce the country to the EFF was with the work he did at Marikana in North West.

On 16 August 2012, the South African Police Service opened fire on a crowd of striking Lonmin mine workers at Marikana. The gunfire killed 34 mine workers and left 78 seriously injured. In addition, 250 mine workers were arrested.

Former EFF MP Andile Mngxitama believes that Malema is a "political genius" to have launched the party in Marikana, establishing the organisation among those who were most affected by what had happened.

"He is a master of symbolism, and is able to gauge the political pulse of the nation and manipulate the situation.

"There he met [EFF MP] Mam' Sonti [Nokulunga Primrose Sonti], who was a leader in that community. The EFF was able to cement itself as being pro the family of the victims who died in the massacre," he said.

Mngxitama joined the EFF in its early days. He was drawn to the party because of three elements: the EFF's decision to ground itself in ideals different from those in the Freedom Charter; the party's strong stance on land redistribution without compensation; and making its members take the Sankara Oath, inspired by Thomas Sankara, the revolutionary former leader of Burkina Faso.

"It was a time of great excitement for an alternative to the ANC and this was a radical organisation we wanted to build," he said.

But soon things turned sour between Malema and Mngxitama, who went on to form his own political party called Black First Land First. This was almost a clone of the EFF, but the difference was that it had a dismal showing at the polls.

As the EFF turns 10 years old, Mngxitama says he is saddened by the direction the party has taken.

"The EFF was the highest hope for an alternative but because of the neocolonial leadership that is why it is inconsistent with its political programme. They are not grounded in Marxism but vulgar pragmatism," he said.

The EFF has managed to penetrate university politics over the years and has made many gains. This could be because of its fairly young leaders and how they have modelled education as fashionable.

Malema was initially ridiculed for his poor matric results and for not having studied after high school, but he went on to obtain his BA in political leadership and citizenship from the University of South Africa in 2016.

The EFF Students Command leads in many institutions of higher education, including the University of Limpopo, the University of Venda and all five campuses of the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

Though the SRC presidency at the University of Cape Town had been held by an EFF member since 2018, the position was taken by an independent, Hlengiwe Dube, in 2022.

According to data from the market research firm Ipsos, the EFF is still most popular among young people, polling highest in the 18-24 age group with 37%, followed by the 25-34 age group and then the 35-49 age group. The party gets the least support from citizens over 50.

The data, collected in November last year, also show a decrease in support by people in the 35-49 age group, which stood at 32% in November 2017 but dropped to 22% in November 2022.

Malema himself has lamented the lack of an older support base as it affects the calibre of leadership that the party attracts. This is one of the elements that the party will look into correcting if it wants to compete with the likes of the ANC.

Unlike its counterparts, the EFF often attracts community members who have little to no real knowledge of politics. Many are young and have no background in community work or activism.

The Ipsos data show that the party's strongest support is among South Africans whose highest qualification is secondary school, which has been a sore point for the party. This seems to spill over into its structures.

In recent times, the Red Berets have had the opportunity to hold governing positions in councils. However, Malema has made it clear that the party will not allow councillors without matric to take up those roles. This stance has caused tensions in the party.

Government scrambles on alert
The National Joint Operational and Intelligence Structure (Natjoints), security cluster ministers and private security companies will be on high alert today, as they try to ensure that the EFF's planned national shutdown does not turn violent.

Since the EFF announced its intention of bringing the country to a complete standstill, there have been growing concerns about the nature of the protest as the government, business and civil society lament the possibility that it might turn violent.

The shutdown was called to put pressure on President Cyril Ramaphosa to resign and demand the end to rolling blackouts, as well as to bring the issues that affect young people to the fore.

The party's leader, Julius Malema, has insisted that cries from various sectors of society are not valid as the EFF is a "nice" political party that has not incited any violence throughout its planning of the shutdown.

Natjoints, which includes the police, the military and civilian government departments, said it would ensure that the protest did not disrupt normal life.

"Natjoints reaffirms and assures the nation that measures are in place to prevent and combat any acts of criminality, and that Monday is a normal working and business day," according to the liaison body.

Security companies Thorburn and Fidelity seem to be on high alert for any trouble that might occur.

In a report based on intelligence that Thorburn received on 13 March, risk areas include the Union Buildings, Eskom head office and the presidential residence in Pretoria.

The Durban and Richards Bay ports are also listed, along with major routes, airports, shops, schools, universities and businesses. **DM**



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Serengeti Breweries Limited (SBL) outgoing Managing Director, Mark Ocitti (L) shares the light moment with the brewer's new Managing Director, Obinna Anyalebechi (R) during Ocitti's farewell ceremony held over the weekend in Dar es Salaam.

WHI's Kisasa Hilltop housing scheme impresses MPs

By Correspondent
Valentine Oforo, Dodoma

THE government has expressed satisfaction with the quality and pace of construction of affordable houses for public servants and members of pension funds, implemented by the Watumishi Housing Investments (WHI) in Dodoma Capital City.

The project targets to build at least 1,000 residential housing units, covering a total of 100 acres at different locations across the fast-growing region, including Njedengwa, Mtumba, Kikombo and Chamwino areas.

Expected to gobble up to 29bn/- upon its completion, the ongoing initiative is executed in four different phases by building residential apartments of numerous sizes and selling them to the public servants at patriotic prices, ranging from 45m/- to 98m/-.

Speaking over the weekend when the Parliamentary Committee on Management, Constitution and Law made a special inspection tour over the progress of the Kisasa Hilltop Project in Njedengwa area, Minister for Public Services Management and Good Governance, Jenista Mhagama said the project was being handled professionally, saying it was impressive that the state-owned house developer was marketed the modern structures at reasonable prices.

"Basically, this project reflects the actual financial muscle of majority of the local civil servants because the apartments are marketed at prices that are less to the tune of between 10 to 30 percent compared to the high prices imposed by most developer companies in the private

sector for similar houses," Minister Mhagama observed.

She said completion of the vital project was expected to help a good number of public servants to become house owners at affordable cost, observed the development will also facilitate residential status at capital city.

For his part, chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Management, Constitution and Law, Joseph Kizito, hailed President Samia Suluhu Hassan for supporting smooth implementation of the key project, saying the move was a clear message that her regime values the important of the civil servants.

"Apart from being satisfied with the quality of the houses so far built, it's very encouraging to learn that at least 94percent of the housing units have already been snatched by the public servants.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Watumishi Housing Investments (WHI), Dr Fred Msemwa said implementation of the project, Kisasa Hilltop Project, at the fringe of the Capital City was part of the WHI's (2028-2022) and (2023-2027) strategies to heighten availability of enough and best residential apartments for civil servants and members of pension funds within the region.

"Kisasa Hilltop Project involves construction of a total of 198 landed housing units and the project is currently at its final stages, whereby 95 percent of the houses have been sold out with others already in use by the occupants," he informed.

He divulged that, in the run of the project, WHI was applying use of Force Account to erect all houses, the friendly models which

have to a great extent help to reduce construction cost, making it affordable to the intended buyers.

Watumishi Housing Investments (WHI) is a house developer and a licenced fund manager responsible for establishment and management of collective investment schemes.

"We usually made a prior research on the house design preference and hence existing designs reflect feedbacks received from most prospective customers. Under special cases, the customer may suggest minor modifications to existing designs," Msemwa further expressed.

SBL gets new boss as Ocitti heads to Kenya Breweries

By Guardian
Reporter

Obinna Anyalebechi is the new Serengeti Breweries Limited (SBL) managing director, following the departure of Mark Ocitti who is heading to Kenya to head Kenya Breweries Limited (KBL); a subsidiary of UK based Diageo and Sister Company of SBL.

Anyalebechi is joining SBL from Diageo London.

Ocitti's farewell ceremony held over the weekend in Dar es Salaam, attended by the brewer's board chairman, deputy minister for investment, trade and industries, UK and Uganda high commissioners and other invited guests.

Speaking at the farewell ceremony, deputy minister of Industries and Trade, Exaud Kigabe commended Ocitti for his contribution to the growth of the industrial sector in Tanzania through his hard work, commitment and integrity, "for the past 3 years that Mr. Ocitti has been with us here in the country, he has demonstrated that he is a visionary leader, who wanted to take SBL to greater heights, and this applied to SBL as a company as well as SBL staff."

The deputy minister particularly, hailed Ocitti for overseeing implementation of the first ever production plant in Moshi which is an all-female run plant, "It is my understanding that one of SBL's pillars is inclusivity and diversity and Mr. Ocitti has implemented this with utmost precision, for the first time in our country, we have an all-female run plant thanks to Ocitti's commitment to inclusivity."

The deputy minister further commended the outgoing Managing Director for overseeing the launch of SBL's expansion plant in Moshi, noting that it was through Ocitti's leadership that the project became a success.

Serengeti Breweries

Limited (SBL) has supported hundreds of farmers across the country and provided employment to over 200,000 people both directly and indirectly, while contributing 27bn/- in tax annually, outgoing Ocitti said.

He said the brewer is also planning on increasing enrollment of students from needy backgrounds studying agricultural diploma

courses under its scholarship program dubbed 'Kilimo Viwanda' which has benefited over 230 students over the past three years of his leadership.


Ocitti was at the helm of the business for the past three years, heading the brewer's businesses including the production plants in Dar es Salaam, Moshi and Mwanza.

In the course of three


years of Ocitti's tenure at SBL, the brewer has notably registered major milestones, including launching the expansion project of its Moshi plant earlier last year.

For his part, SBL Board Chairman, John Ulanga expressed his gratitude to Ocitti on behalf of the board of Directors, recalling Ocitti's achievements at SBL, "in mere 3 years that SBL


was at the helm of Mr. Ocitti, I can confidently say that he has registered many achievements for SBL from a business perspective and to the Tanzanian community through various community development projects that he has championed, from water projects, education and farmer centric empowerment projects."



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Govt to heighten local content on mining sector

By Correspondent Valentine Oforo, Dodoma

THE government has launched a special digital system tailored to help attract more Tanzanians to take part in the mining sector and ensuring the involved mining companies across the country are rolling out diverse social services to the local communities through the set Social Corporate Responsibility (SCR) regulations.

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is the idea that a company should play a positive role in the community and consider the environmental and social impact of business decisions.

Among others, the incepted vital system aims to help the country's mining sector to further improve and attain the much needed local content.

In his remarks during an event for the official launching of the help-

ful scheme, the Deputy Minister for Minerals, Dr. Steven Kiruswa expressed that the structure will enable mining companies and service providers in the mines to submit various documents on the presentation of plans for the participation of Tanzanians in the vital sector, and the provision of services to the community in the mines electronically instead of using hard copies as it was done before.

The second forum for the implementation of strategies to heighten participation of Tanzanians in the mining sector convened in Arusha Region for two consecutive days under the coordination of the Tanzania Mining Commission (TMC), bringing together mining companies, mining service providers and financial institutions.

"The system we're launching today will also simplify the process of processing applications submitted to the Mining Commission, whereby the

responses to applications will be provided on time by experts from the Commission," he informed.

Dr. Kiruswa observed that the move made by the government to amend the mining laws in Tanzania has so far resulted into a series of successive developments in the sector, including an increase in employment in the mines from 50 percent to at least 96 percent and domestic purchase to the tune of 92 percent.

"The development, among others stimulated major changes in the general executions of the sector including unlocking and heighten various opportunities in employment and training opportunities to locals, technology transfer, research and development, as well as use of services and products provided and produced by the Tanzanians in the sector," he expounded.

He informed that employment for Tanzanians in large mines has



The Deputy Minister for Minerals, Dr. Steven Kiruswa

increased from 6,668 in 2018 to 15,341 in 2022 with Tanzanians getting various training to build the capacity to work professionally in the sector, the works that were previously handled by foreigners.

"During 2022, a total of 8,066 Tanzanians were

given various training in the mining sector and capacity building in the work performance where a total of 3.4bn/- was spent," he added.

The Commissioner of the Mining Commission, Janet Lekashingo said that the government through

the commission was continuing to provide education in various regions of the country regarding the participation of Tanzanians in the mining sector in order to ensure more citizens participate in service delivery in the country's mines.

mit Uganda domestic aviation, airlines say

KAMPALA

Air operators in the Uganda have said operational costs such as high fuel prices, poor state of regional airstrips and low domestic demand are key factors that limit growth on domestic air transport.

The operators, who were eight in total, made the call while seeking renewal of their Air Service Licenses by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) at a public hearing conducted by retired deputy Chief Justice and CAA chairman, Steven Kavuma.

Uganda has 26 licensed air operators operating scheduled, and non-scheduled flights for passengers, cargo, training and aerial works.

Ms Catherine Mugo, the AeroLink accountable manager, said fixing runways such as that of the Kisoro [District] Airstrip was necessary since it remained a challenge to their air hauling services offered to tourists.

Airline operators also argued that the cost of operations remain high, driven partly by high fuel prices, and high charges for international passengers transiting through Entebbe International Airport.

Airlines pay \$2.4 (Shs8,999) per litre of gasoline compared to their Kenyan counterparts who pay \$1.8 (Shs6,749).

Air operators in Uganda also incur an additional international passenger levy of \$57 (Shs213,731) for each passenger.

Ms Sheila Kobusingye, the Asante Aviation accountable manager, noted that sourcing local financing for their operations remains a huge challenge. However, Mr Fred Bamwesigye, the CAA director general, said at least 13 airstrips are operational, but admitted that there is still low usage of the facilities.

"We use our own resources to maintain facilities because they can't [raise revenue] for sustaining them," he said.

Airlines have continued to recover from Covid-19 effects where they reported low sales, worsened by the recent Ebola attack.

Entebbe International Airport, the country's main gate-way, has registered tremendous growth in passengers numbers, rising from 118,000 in 1991 to 1.8 million in 2019, before the advent of Covid-19, which greatly impacted the aviation industry.

In 2022, the airport recorded 1.57 million passengers, an increase of 87 percent post Covid-19 recovery. Cargo traffic has grown steadily over the years with 61,000 metric tons recorded in 2022.

In September last year, the \$9.5m (Shs35b) modernisation and automation of Entebbe International Airport project was commissioned in conjunction with the Korea International Cooperation Agency.

Part of the major project for upgrade and expansion of the airport, which includes resurfacing of both runways and associated taxiways were completed.

CAA data shows the Aircraft Apron has been expanded to create more aircraft parking spaces and a state-of-the-art new cargo centre with capacity to handle 100,000 metric tons of cargo per year was completed.

Mr Kavuma said the re-modified passenger terminal building is expected to be opened to the public in 2023 so that departing passengers can be dropped-off by the entrance to the terminal building into a more spacious and ambient facility.

Similarly, arriving passengers will exit through a bigger facility.

On completion of the on-going projects, Mr Kavuma said the airport's terminal capacity will be enhanced from the current two million to at least 3.5 million passengers in 2024.

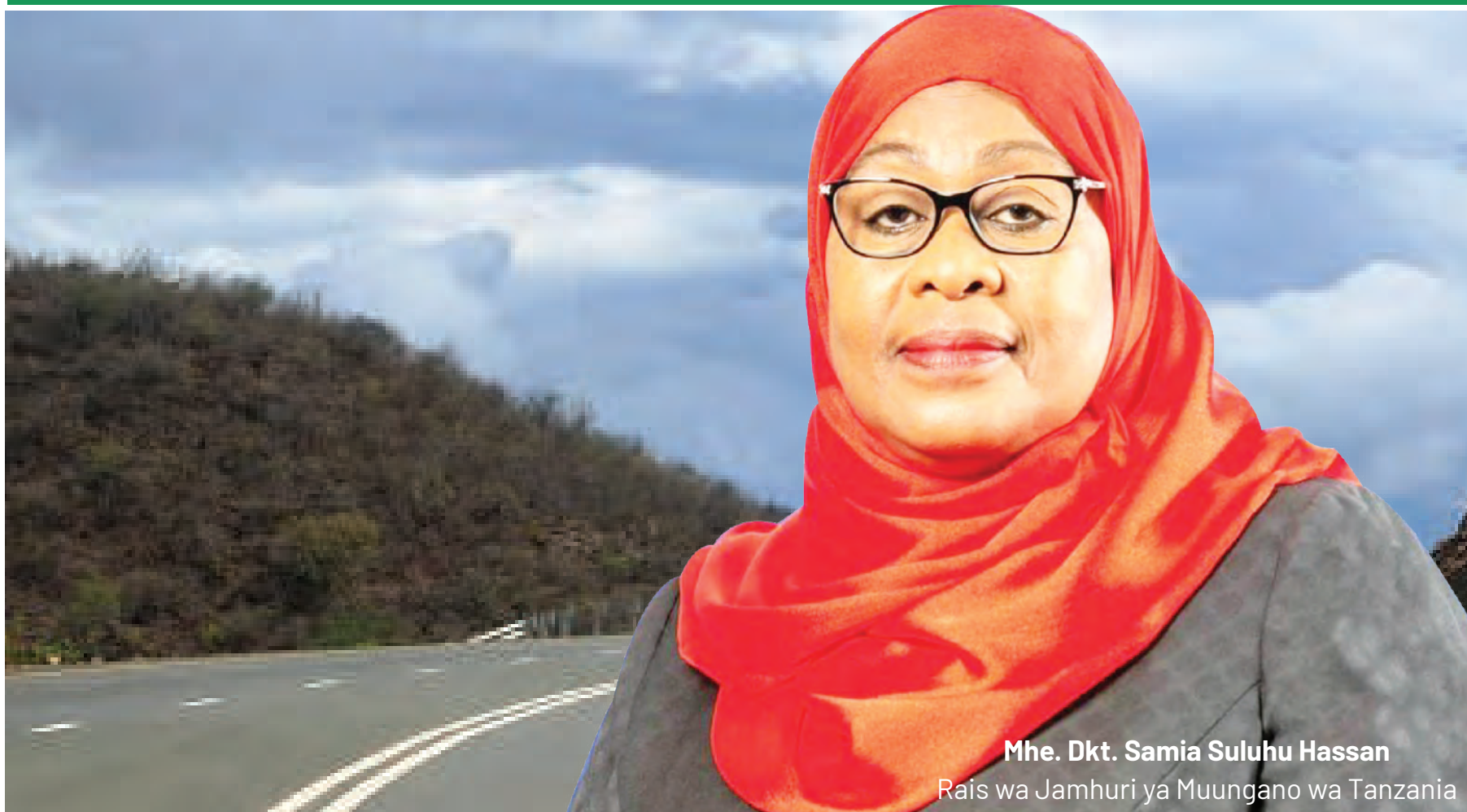
Other projects include construction of a new fully automated aviation fuel hydrant system with enhanced capacity to store 20 million liters of aviation fuel, up from the current 7.5 million litres.



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Israelis protest against planned judicial overhaul for 11th week

TELAVIV

ISRAELIS packed city streets on Saturday in nationwide demonstrations now in their 11th week against plans by the hard-right government to curb the

Supreme Court's powers, which critics see as a threat to judicial independence.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who says his aim is to balance out branches of government, wields a parliamentary majority along with his

religious-nationalist coalition allies, but his planned judicial overhaul has sparked concern at home and abroad.

As the changes head toward ratification, the protests have escalated, affecting the economy - the shekel has slipped - and extending to a threat by some military reservists not to heed call-up orders.

President Isaac Herzog has appealed for the overhaul to be postponed and presented an alternative plan to the changes on Wednesday which was swiftly rejected by the prime minister.

"I came with my friends here to Tel Aviv, to demonstrate against what is called reforms," Ronen Shaikie, 47, told Reuters at a demonstration in the city, saying he wanted to defend the country's democracy, which he accused the government of seeking to destroy.

Netanyahu, who returned to office for a sixth term in late December, has said the demonstrations are aimed at toppling him. He is on trial in three corruption cases and denies all wrongdoing.

"I'm here to demonstrate with the people of Israel, against the revolution, against the changing of our state," said Dalia Yosef, 72, also at the Tel Aviv demonstration.

Earlier on Saturday, protesters demonstrated at a central village where far-right National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir was spending his weekend.

"Protest against me as much as you want," Ben Gvir said on Twitter. "I will fight for your right to protest. But why gather outside the windows of the synagogue with loudspeakers, honk, scream and make people violate Shabbat?"

Protests even spread to the occupied West Bank, where Israeli settlements have long been considered a political stronghold for Netanyahu's right-wing coalition partners. More than 50 mostly modern-Orthodox Jewish protesters chanted traditional Jewish songs holding blue and white flags at a central junction in the West Bank settlement of Efrat.

"What they are trying to do is monopolize, to have all the power in their hands," Shmuel Wygoda, a college professor told Reuters in Efrat. "Once you have all the power in the hands of one side, it is a change, which we know from history, from totalitarian regimes, that all the power is unfortunately used against the people."



A protester lights a pink flare during a protest against the government's controversial judicial overhaul bill in Tel Aviv on Saturday (PHOTO / AFP)



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THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF ZANZIBAR LIMITED (PBZ)



PBZ UNVEILS KEY MILESTONES TO REACH CUSTOMERS MORE CLOSELY

THE People's Bank of Zanzibar Limited (PBZ) is one of the popular banks that helped to accelerate socio-economic development in Isles. Our Reporter had an interview with PBZ managing director, Dr Muhsin Salim Masoud on how the bank trailed since its inception to date and here are the excerpts:

PBZ Bank is the biggest bank in Zanzibar the secret behind this success is PBZ is the oldest local bank in Tanzania with 57 years of operations, established on June 30th 1966. It is the only Tanzanian bank incorporated in Zanzibar with headquarters in Zanzibar. It is 100 percent owned by the government of Zanzibar.

Living her moto "Peoples bank, People's Choice", PBZ provide excellent services to customers both retail and corporate in Zanzibar and Tanzania Mainland; having a wide range of products designed and customized to serve different customer needs. PBZ provides both conventional and Shariah Compliant services through PBZ IKHLAS.

Technology being one of the most important elements in the today's banking sector, PBZ is currently refurbishing her infrastructures to come up with best and enhanced customer service deliveries through alternative delivery channels such as Mobile App, Mobile Banking and Internet Banking.

Its service through agency banking is growing and is performing better. PBZ is also working on improving her looks to make its premises attractive and enhance customer experience through provision of outstanding customer services through its branches and service centers.

The achievements registered in the past two years :A: The bank's total assets have grown to 1.5trn/- making it a 'Trillion Bank'. As of February, 2023 while measuring financial performance for the year ended Dec 31st 2022, PBZ was ranked 10th in terms of asset and the 6th in terms of profitability among Tanzanian commercial banks.

For each of the last two consecutive years, (2021/2022), PBZ has managed to double its profit growth. Currently, it has a return on equity of more than 20 percent.

The bank has one subsidiary, Mufindi Community Bank (MuCoBa) based in Iringa Region, in which PBZ owns 75 percent shares. The subsidiary was acquired in the spirit of supporting agriculture value chain, SMEs and MSMEs. PBZ has the lowest NPL ratio (2.7 percent) in the market and complies with all other regulatory ratios.

PBZ Bank have many branches in Zanzibar and Tanzania mainland. Currently, the Bank has a network of 28 branches and service centers and is connected to more than 250 local ATMs spread across Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar. It is also connected to the world through VISA and Union pay.

The bank's key strategic areas of focus include ongoing plans to expand her footprints by adding more branches and service centers to reach remote areas and bring services closer to people. Plans are to open up at least two (2) new branches each year.

The bank's products offered to customers and its' focus for this year, PBZ offers both conventional and sharia compliant products tailor to ensure outstanding experience and effective solution to all individual, business and corporate customers.

Products offered include fixed deposits and customer account operations in all major currencies, fund transfers (Local and International) and credit facilities/Financing.

PBZ is well known for its expertise in import and export trade dealings through establishment of letter of credits and bills for collection. Other facilities are bid bonds, performance bonds, guarantees etc.

It has more ATMs than any other bank in Zanzibar that are connected to UMOJA SWITCH, Union Pay and VISA Network where you can access them wherever you are in Tanzania and beyond.

The bank strategies are :A: The bank strategies are to transform its operations and services in terms of technology as well to changes its premises to classical level to reflect on the brand name as 'The People's Bank, The People's Choice'; and this is well illustrated in the bank vision to become 'a leader in the provision of valued financial services to customers and other stakeholders.'

The bank's mission is to provide innovative financial services solutions that are responsive to customers' needs at competitive costs. The rebranding process will also involve cultural changes that will enhance the customer service delivery.

The next step will be to boost the bank muscles in terms of capital and to make PBZ IKHLAS as a subsidiary bank.

Customers should engage with the PBZ bank because : A: PBZ is one of the banks in Tanzania that provide services at affordable prices; you can say, it charges her products and services at the lowest rates compared to most other financial institutions.

It owns accounts that charges nil operational fees and owns a division that provides services at interest free branded by the name PBZ IKHLAS of which her operations, products and services are Shariah Compliant.

The division captures non-bank population that does not bank because of their ethical issues.

CONGRATULATIONS!



The Board of Directors Management and Staff of the People's Bank of Zanzibar Ltd congratulates her Excellence Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan President of the United Republic of Tanzania for the best performance of her two years in Office, we PBZ say well done and we wish her excellence the best of her tenor and we expect Tanzania to prosper more and more

Well done Madam Excellence Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan

Kazi Iendele...

Xi's Russia visit to navigate ties, boost global stability

BEIJING / MOSCOW

CHINESE President Xi Jinping's upcoming state visit to Russia, his first foreign trip since being re-elected as Chinese president, will be a trip of friendship, cooperation and peace.

The visit, scheduled for March 20-22, is set to map out the blueprint for the development of the China-Russia comprehensive strategic partnership of coordination for a new era.

It will also push ahead with the practical cooperation between the two countries, and inject strong impetus into the endeavor to maintain peace and prosperity so as to jointly build a community with a shared future for mankind.

Model for major-country relationship

Earlier this month, footage of Chinese panda named Ruyi went viral online, which showed him playing and gorging himself on fresh bamboos in Moscow Zoo. Ruyi and his buddy Dingding officially moved to their new home in Moscow during a grand ceremony attended by Xi and his Russian counterpart, Vladimir Putin, in June 2019.

During that visit, the two leaders signed and issued a joint statement raising bilateral ties to the comprehensive strategic partnership of coordination for a new era, opening up a new chapter in China-Russia relations featuring higher level and greater development.

Now Xi is about to set foot on Russian soil for the ninth time as Chinese president. Over the past decade, the two heads of state have met with each other on some 40 occasions. Their frequent and high-quality exchanges have always been guiding the development of China-Russia relations.

The past years have witnessed the steady growth of China-Russia ties with the inking of a host of important documents such as a joint statement on win-win cooperation and deepening their comprehensive strategic partnership of coordination in 2013, the China-Russia Joint Statement on a New Stage of Comprehensive Strategic Partnership in 2014, a 2015 joint statement on deepening comprehensive strategic partnership of coordination and advocating win-win cooperation, and the China-Russia Joint Statement on Further Deepening the China-Russia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership in 2017.

In 2021, the two presidents commemorated the 20th anniversary of the Treaty of Good-Neighborliness and Friendly Cooperation Between China and Russia and made the decision to extend the pact.

As the world is facing profound changes unseen in a century and the unprecedented pandemic, Xi and Putin have maintained close contact through various means, including a meeting during the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics, traditional year-end online talks, calls and messages, and participating via video link in the ground-breaking ceremony of a bilateral nuclear energy cooperation project and other major events held in their respective countries.

Under the joint leadership of the two heads of state, the bilateral partnership has grown more mature and resilient.

As an ancient Chinese saying goes, "True partnership defies geographical distance." China and Russia have blazed a trail in the growth of major-country relations featuring strategic trust and good neighborliness, setting a good example for a new type of international relations.

Meanwhile, China-Russia ties are based on non-alignment, non-confrontation and non-targeting of any third party. The relations pose no threat to any other country in the world, nor are they subject to interference or provocation by any third party.

Russia and China have set an example for relationship between major

countries, said Vasily Kashin, director of the Center for Comprehensive European and International Studies of Russia's National Research University-Higher School of Economics.

"Russia-China relations, which are efficient, responsible and future-oriented, have played a stabilizing role in international affairs," he said.

New chapter in cooperation, friendship

In June last year, the Heihe-Blagoveshchensk cross-border



highway bridge over Heilongjiang River opened to traffic. The new channel, a milestone in infrastructure connectivity,

has connected China's north-east and Russia's far east amid booming economic and trade cooperation between the neighbors.

Two-way trade has been growing over the past decade, surging from less than \$90 billion in 2013 to more than 190 billion dollars last year and approaching the target of 200 billion dollars set by the two heads of state.

Exports of automobiles and spare parts from China to Russia have increased rapidly in

recent years. By the end of last year, the number of automobile dealers of Chinese brands in Russia had climbed to 1,041.

Meanwhile, chocolates, honey, flour, and alcohol - quality Russian products as such have become more widely available for Chinese customers. The Russian Export Center, the country's state institution for export support, has announced an increase in the number of online shops in a bid to let Chinese customers have easier access to quality Russian

products. While the all-round bilateral practical cooperation is flourishing, people-to-people and cultural exchanges between the two countries are also thriving, which have built up popular support for China-Russia friendship.

Currently, the two peoples are marking the 2022-2023 years of sports exchanges after the youth friendly exchange year, media exchange year, sub-national cooperation and exchange year, and scientific and technological innovation year.



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During the two years of her leadership, the Cotton Sub-sector has witnessed a major transformation in the field of cotton production with an increase of about 20% which is a direct result of her efforts in giving priority agriculture as well as increasing the budget of the Ministry of Agriculture.

In implementing the agenda of making agriculture contribute about 10% to the national income, the Tanzania Cotton Board will continue to support her efforts by ensuring that the cotton industry substantially contribute in development of the people and achieve this goal set by the Government through the Ministry of Agriculture is reached by 2030.

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IPA TO CHERISH GOVT-DRIVEN AGENDA OF BECOMING UPPER-MIDDLE-INCOME STATUS

By Guardian Reporter

The Institute of Public Administration (IPA) ZANZIBAR is a center of excellence in public administration studies that is determined to accomplish the government-driven agenda of attaining upper-middle income status by 2050.

The move is coupled with improvements in economic growth to be accompanied by a higher overall standard of living for all segments of Zanzibar's society across the economic, human capital, infrastructural and governance dimensions of human development.

Dr Shabaan Suleiman, IPA principal said in an interview that the institute has a number of program that is set to accomplish in the near future.

According to Dr Suleiman, IPA is planning to construct two modern administration blocks for staff as well as a seven-storey hostel building that will accommodate over 300 students to further improve the learning and teaching environment.

He said that currently, students studying at the Institute use nearby private hostels and houses, so the construction of the new two hostel buildings will provide relief to both male and female students.

Dr Suleiman said that the administration blocks will be constructed at the headquarters in Tunguu, Central District, South Region of Zanzibar and the other at its branch in Pemba. The four-storey building will have four executive rooms for lectures as well as two conference halls.

"One of the big projects to be undertaken by the Institute in the near future is to build two administration blocks, one at the headquarters and the other at its branch in Pemba. This building is designed mainly for Institute's staff and for the conduct of short courses training.

"The Institute at the headquarters has only one building covering both administrative and academic matters, the same situation is available in the Pemba branch. Under this situation, efforts are underway to have a full-fledged academic building to entertain all academic issues at the



Picture of Induction training for new employees of SMZ

headquarters as well as in the Pemba branch," he said.

He said that IPA was established to ensure that every low-income earner family gets an opportunity to send their kid to college. The fee structure of the Institute is affordable to almost every family.

"The Institute's environment is very conducive and cool, enjoying the sea breeze from nearby beaches. The availability of nearby hostels in a safer environment creates the uniqueness of IPA and other Colleges. Modern libraries with the latest textbooks and all learning materials make students feel comfortable. On top of that, free powerful WIFI, latest computer laboratories with current and powerful computer versions (i7) help students to access learning materials and learn new methods so easily. E-library services enable students to learn while at their home," he explained.

He named the courses offered by the Institute as the basic Technician Certificate, Technician Certificate, and

Ordinary Diploma in the fields of Human Resource Management, International Relations and Diplomacy, Business and Information Technology, Business Management, Development Planning, Economics and Finance, Education leadership and Management and Local Government Administration.

Others are Public Administration, Public Relations, Procurement and Supply, Records and Archives Management, and Secretarial Studies. While at Bachelor's degree level, the Institute offers Bachelor's Degree in Human Resource Management, Bachelor's Degree in International Relations and Diplomacy, and Bachelor's Degree in Records and Archives Management.

In terms of short courses, the Institute provides training to both public and private servants as it is mandated by its Act as well as Public Service Act, 2011 section 67. Various professional, refresher, induction, and retirement training are offered to those who demand them.

Dr Suleiman further said that in the Academic year 2023/2024, IPA is expecting to launch a Bachelor's Degree in Development Planning for qualified form six and Ordinary Diploma students.

IPA is a public training Institution under the President's Office, Constitution, Legal Affairs, Public Service, and Good Governance – Zanzibar. It was established as a public technical institution by Act No. 1 of 2007 and its amendments of 2022. of the House of Representatives of Zanzibar.

In the 1970s, the Institute was known as "Chuo Cha Uchumi", offering eco-business related courses, and later on was changed to Zanzibar Institute of Training for Public Servants "Chuo Cha Watumishi Serikalini" in 1984, providing performance improvement programmes for country's public servants.

The Institute's headquarters are located at Tunguu, Central District, South Region Zanzibar about 15

kilometers from Zanzibar town. It has one branch located at Chakechake, the district in Pemba Island.

As a higher learning institution, IPA has been given full accreditation by the National Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (NACTVET) effective from 2011 with Registration Number REG/BMG/028 to offer National Technical Awards (NTA 4 to 8).

The institutional vision is "to be a Centre of excellence in public administration studies and other public service-related disciplines in the country" and its mission is "to engage in excellent teaching, improve efficiency and effectiveness of public administration of Zanzibar by providing comprehensive and competency-based - training and applied research intervention".

The major core functions of IPA are conducting long and short courses for public and private servants as well as fresh school students and carrying out research and consultancies for public and private organizations.

In the area of research and consultancy, the Institute offers the service to both public and private organizations. Research and consultancies are conducted and offered in all fields of administration, business, law, management, and finance.

Admission procedures for long courses are done online through the institute website www.ipa.ac.tz while applications for short courses, research and consultancies could also be done online at www.ipa.ac.tz or through the office of the Principal, Institute of Public Administration, Zanzibar.

IPA helps its students to undergo field practicals in different areas including Ministries, Public and Private Institutions within the United Republic of Tanzania. Normally these field practicals are done after completing one year or two years of studying depending on the levels and programs of the study. Through these fields, students learn more practically what they have been taught in the classes.



Short training, while in Orientation training



The first from left is the director of short training, on the middle is the head of the college, the first from right is the head of the division



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SPORT

Nothing can stop Erling Haaland – he is a shark in a fish tank

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BFT weighs in on Dar boxers' performance in IBA World Championships

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

BOXING Federation of Tanzania (BFT) has attributed the poor performance shown by the country's boxers in the 2023 International Boxing Association (IBA) Women's World Boxing Championships in India to a lack of experience and exposure.

Tanzania was represented by Lightweight boxer, Beatrice Nyambega, and Light Flyweight boxer, Rehema Maganga.

Beatrice, on Friday, lost to Indian Jasmine Jaismine, whereas Rehema lost to Kenyan Beatrice Ongare.

Speaking from India, Lukelo Wililo, BFT president, attributed the outcome to a lack of experience and exposure at international events.

"This was the first time that our female boxers were battling it out in the Women's World Boxing Championships, the two were lacking that experience as it was their first time to compete in a high-profile international championship," the official noted.

The official pointed out: "In the first bout, Beatrice was not in her mood, she lost focus mainly because she was fighting an experienced Indian boxer Jasmine who was being cheered by the home fans."

"Rehema did all she could but was overpowered by Beatrice who has vast experience in international events," he said.

Beatrice, the 2018 Commonwealth Games bronze medalist, also outclassed Rehema in this year's East Africa Boxing Championships that took place in Dar es Salaam in January.

However, Wililo drew some positives from the early elimination of the boxers in the IBA Women's World Boxing Championships.

"The championships have helped the two boxers gain experience and exposure, this is, to BFT, a good beginning, we have learned a lot and we will make use of them while preparing for the next month's Zone 3 Boxing Championships, Olympic Games and 2026 Commonwealth Games in Virginia, Australia," he said.

The BFT president said the Tanzania delegation will remain in India until the end of the championships.

He said while in India, the delegation will attend Congress for Women in Boxing, a technical meeting for coaches and team cutmen, international technical officials, and a boxing clinic.

Minister for Culture, Arts, and Sports Pindi Chana presented the national flag to the two boxers, urging the pugilists to hoist the flag high in the championships.

She said the government is happy that, for the first time, the country is taking part in the IBA Women's World Boxing Championships.

"We are happy that for the first time, our country is taking part in the IBA Women's World Boxing Championships, we are committed to developing sports in the country and we will continue doing that," she said.

The national team was backed by National Sports Council (NSC) and IBA while the pugilists' local camp was sponsored by Africa Human Rights Network (AHRN) and Mbezi's Oasis Village and Club Gym.

The IBA Women's World Boxing Championships started in Scranton, USA in 2001 and this year witnessed Tanzania field boxers in the showpiece for the first time.

More than 350 female boxers from 74 countries are battling it out in the championships which involve 12 weight classes.

The opening ceremony took place at K.D. Jadhav Indoor Hall, with preliminaries and quarterfinals slated for March 16-23, semi-finals are set to take place on March 25.

For the first time, IBA confirmed a lucrative prize fund of US\$2.4m for the Women's World Boxing Championships.

Gold medal winners in each of the 12 weight categories, IBA disclosed, will get US\$ 100,000, ensuring a bumper reward for finishing top of the podium.

Boxers taking runners-up place in their categories will collect US\$ 50,000, while third-placed pugilists are set to walk away with US\$ 25,000 each.

Taifa Stars depart for Egypt ahead of 2023 AFCON Qualifiers' double-header



Some of the players making Tanzania's senior national football squad, Taifa Stars, are pictured at the Julius Nyerere International Airport (JNIA) in Dar es Salaam yesterday as the side traveled to Egypt to take on Uganda in 2023 Africa Cup of Nations Qualifiers' Group F duel in Cairo. PHOTO: COURTESY OF TANZANIA FOOTBALL FEDERATION

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

THE first batch of players making Tanzania's senior national soccer team, Taifa Stars, departed for Egypt on Sunday morning ahead of the forthcoming 2023 Africa Cup of Nations Qualifiers' matches set to take place at the end of this week.

Tanzania will battle neighbours, Uganda, in a double-header. Uganda will host the first leg at Suez Canal Authority Stadium, Ismaily on March 24.

Uganda chose to take their home games to Egypt due to the lack of a CAF-approved stadium in their country.

The return leg will come four days later at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam.

The departed contingent was largely composed of locally based players. Except for Young Africans SC (Yanga) midfielder Feisal Salum, the outfit's other players that have earned national team

call-up will join the squad immediately after their 2022/23 CAF Confederation Cup Group D tie against Tunisia's US Monastir.

Yanga has seven players in the squad including Bakari Mwamnyeto, Dickson Job, and Kibwana Shomari who are likely to form part of the starting squad against Uganda's Cranes on Friday.

Foreign-based players will connect directly to Egypt after their respective clubs' games last weekend.

Newly appointed Taifa Stars

head coach, Adel Amrouche, included 11 players who play outside Tanzania led by the experienced trio of captain Mbwana Samatta, Simon Msuva, and Himid Mao.

Tanzania has just one point from the opening two games in Group F, picked off in an away draw with Niger in Benin.

There was a 2-0 home loss in a tie against the group leader, Algeria. The top two teams from the group will qualify for the 2023 AFCON finals.

The 34th edition of AFCON will

take place in Ivory Coast next year. A total of 24 teams will qualify to play in the final tournament, including Ivory Coast, who qualify automatically as hosts.

Full squad:

Goalkeepers: Aishi Manula (Simba SC), Beno Kakolanya (Simba SC), and Metacha

Mnata (Yanga).

Defenders: Kibwana Shomari (Yanga), Datus Peter (Kagera Sugar), Yahya Mbege (Ihefu SC), David Luhende (Kagera Sugar), Dickson Job (Yanga), Bakari Mwamnyeto (Yanga), Abdallah Mfuko (Kagera Sugar), Ibrahim Baka (Yanga), Alphonse Mabula (FK Spartak Subotica, Serbia), and Haji Mnoga (Aldershot Town, England)

Midfielders: Mudathir Yahya (Yanga), Sospeter Bajana (Azam FC), Mzamiru Yassin (Simba SC), Yusuph Kagoma (Singida Big Stars), Ramadhani Makame (Bodrumspor, Turkey), Edmund John (Geita Gold FC), Feisal Salum (Yanga), Khalid Habibu (KMKM FC), Novatus Dismas (Zulte Waregem, Belgium), Ben Starkie (Basford United FC, England), Ally Msengi (Swallows, South Africa), and Himid Mao (Ghazl El Mahalla SC, Egypt)

Forwards: Anuary Jabir (Kagera Sugar), Abdulhamis Suleiman (Azam FC), Simon Msuva (Al-Qadisiyah, Saudi Arabia), Mbwana Samatta (KRC Genk, Belgium), Kelvin John (KRC Genk, Belgium), and Said Khamis (Al-Fujairah, UAE)

Moshi Khalsa maintains winning ways in 2023 Mapinduzi tournament

By Guardian Correspondent

TANZANIA'S hockey giant, Kili-manjaro's Moshi Khalsa, has stretched its winning run in this season's Mapinduzi tournament, having cruised to a comprehensive 4-0 victory over Black Mambaz Blue at Lugalo hockey ground in Dar es Salaam on Saturday.

It was a second consecutive victory for Moshi Khalsa in the show-down, as the side had opened its campaign with a 3-2 win over Tanzania People's Defense Force (TPDF)'s outfit at the ground a day back.

In the day's other matches, Black Mambaz Red walloped Buza Secondary School's squad 7-0, whereas Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete (JMK) Park's squad garnered a 2-0 victory over Buza Secondary School's squad.

Arusha Twigas made short work of Black Mambaz Red, notching a 3-1 win over the latter the same day.

According to Tanzania Hockey Association (THA) Chairman Kaushik Doshi, seven teams were confirmed to take part in this year's Mapinduzi tournament, also referred to as the National Club



Kilimanjaro's Moshi Khalsa hockey outfit's player (in orange jersey) outfoxes Arusha's Black Mambaz counterpart when the clubs faced each other in the 2022 Uhuru Cup tournament's final which took place in Arusha in December. PHOTO: COURTESY OF TANZANIA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Championship.

The prestigious tournament, which got underway on Friday, was slated to conclude yesterday.

The semi-final clashes were expected to take place

on Sunday morning, the first of which pitted winners of Pool A, Moshi Khalsa, against Pool B's runners-up Black Mambaz Red.

In the remaining last four's stage duel, Arusha Twigas,

the top-placed squad in Pool B, was set to lock horns with Pool B's runners-up TPDF outfit. The final was slated for later in the afternoon.

Outfits battling it out in the showdown were placed in

two pools, with Pool A having been made up of TPDF outfit, Moshi Khalsa, and Black Mambaz Blue.

Buza Secondary School's squad, Black Mambaz Red, Arusha Twigas, and Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete (JMK) Park's outfit made Pool B.

Doshi moreover pointed out that the association hosted a 7-a-side tournament involving women's outfits, which is taking part alongside the men's competition.

The THA leader revealed the tournament has been sponsored by Reliance Insurance Co Ltd and NAS Tyre Service Ltd.

Last year, Moshi Khalsa lifted the tournament's title following the club's victory over TPDF's squad in post-match penalties of an exciting final in Tanga.

The National Club Championship winners will represent the country in the Africa Cup for Club Champions (ACCC) showpiece.

Flexibles by David Chikoko

