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# TCU deregisters six universities, three campuses over drawbacks

Universities barred by TCU are Josiah Kibira University College (JoKUCo) in Bukoba Rural district, University of Bagamoyo (UoB), Mount Meru University (MMU) in Arusha and the International Medical and Technological University (IMTU) in Dar es Salaam

By Felister Peter

INVESTORS who pumped capital into the establishment of several private universities are now counting losses after the sector regulator yesterday deregistered six universities and three campuses citing quality issues.

failure to abide by stipulated guidelines to ensure the quality of education provided. Addressing a press conference in Dar es Salaam, TCU Executive Secretary Prof Charles Kihampa said the commission arrived at the decision following intense consultations since last August. "We gave the universities almost four years to work on the identified academic shortcomings, but very few improved. The de-registered

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Mobile phone service agent Amani Adamu (L) registers Esther John ready for the re-registration of her sim card under the biometric system, as found at Nyerere Square in Dodoma city yesterday. Photo: Correspondent Ibrahim Joseph



# Malnutrition stalks caged lions in Sudan, one dies

KHARTOUM

ONE of the five malnourished African lions being kept in cages in Sudan's capital Khartoum has died while others remain in critical condition. The online campaign to save the remaining four is on a rise. The lions were kept in cages at Khartoum's Al-Qureshi park without enough food and medicine for weeks. A manager of the park said that the lioness was taken to an animal clinic and given intravenous fluids to save its life. But unfortunately, it died on Tuesday, and another male lion is also ill. The veterinarian prescribed medicines after which they were given a quantity of meat

as well but the lioness died all the same. The five lions suffered due to the shortage of food and medicine for weeks. On top of that, park officials had to pay for the lions' food from their own pocket. The park is also not in stable condition, which plays a major role in the deterioration of the lions' health. The park is funded by the Khartoum municipality, which is also partly funded by private donors. Osman Salih, the manager, launched a Facebook campaign on Saturday, January 18 under the hashtag Sudan Animal Rescue, urging the public and institutions to help in saving them. His FB page shows the photos of the lions' cages and the conditions they live in. He is also following the medicine and aid the animals are receiving now.

After the photos of the lions went viral on Sunday, people and volunteers flocked to the park to see the animals. There were chunks of rotten meat covered in flies near their cage for the lions to eat.

An update on Facebook from Salih

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# TCRA: NIN-based sim cards invalid

By Guardian Reporter

THE Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA) has said people who registered their mobile phone lines using the national identity card before the fingerprint element was introduced will have to redo the process. This clarification has come after it emerged that many people knew they were safe because they produced photocopies of their national ID to service providers while registering their numbers. TCRA has said it has already switched off 656,091 subscribers from mobile phone services for failure to register their SIM cards biometrically. The regulator is set to turn off more lines in phases depending on the category of mobile phone user. Speaking to a local radio station yesterday, TCRA

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Director General James Kilaba said that in the second phase 318,950 subscribers risk being blocked from telecommunication services. Kilaba said the first group of subscribers, whose lines were switched off at around 10pm possess voter registration cards but they haven't registered. The second group of those who were blocked registered their lines by using their national identification cards before the biometric registration exercise was rolled out. "We are switching off the lines which haven't been biometrically registered in phases due to technicalities...you can't just switch off 10 million subscribers at once," said Kilaba. Mobile phone subscribers who registered their lines before the start of the biometric registration exercise ought to start the process afresh, a top TCRA official underlined. TCRA communication manager Fredrick Ntobi said that since it is imperative for subscribers to register their lines biometrically those who have initially registered by using NIN national IDs must do so. Kilaba said the regulator will continue to remind concerned subscribers on the importance

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# Zonal land offices scrapped, regional bureaus introduced

By Guardian Correspondent, Mbeya

ZONAL land offices have been scrapped by the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development and are being replaced by regional offices. Opening a workshop for land officers and planners here yesterday, the minister, William Lukuvi (pictured) said eight zonal land offices will cease to exist, while 26 regional offices on the Mainland are set up, hence bringing services closer to the people. "We are going to establish regional land offices beginning next month. The offices will have planning officers among others," he said. The minister declared that the habitual nuisance of individuals and councils officials having to travel



to zonal offices for land-related services has been solved as such services will be available at the regional level. The decision follows the realization that it was hectic and sometimes even impossible for some people to travel long distances to reach a zonal office for routine services, he explained. Zonal offices currently have piles of uncollected title deeds and files of unresolved land-related issues and upon inquiry by the ministry, it emerged that reaching those offices was an uphill task for rural dwellers in particular. "As I speak, there are 20 million title deeds in zonal offices whose owners are nowhere to be seen and the challenge is distance to these offices. For instance, a resident of Mpimbwe District in Katavi Region is required to travel all the way to a zonal office in Tabora to collect a title deed," he elaborated. Transport, accommodation and other costs that people have to incur to reach these zonal offices

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Songea district commissioner Piolet Mgema (2nd-R) hands over to Madaba Town Council chairman Vastus Mfikwa 5m/- worth of desks, tables and chairs donated by NMB Bank Plc to Magingo Secondary School. Looking on are NMB Madaba branch official Esther Kiwona (R) and Mkongotema ward education officer Edwin Mielwa. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

# Over 600 women undergo FGM in three months

By Guardian Correspondent, Manyara

**DURING** the past three months Hanang District Council in Manyara region has identified 615 women who underwent female genital mutilation (FGM) making the region to continue leading in FGM countrywide.

This was revealed on Monday in Katesh town by Martha Sulle, the District's Community Development Officer when speaking to this paper in her office.

She said the women had undergone FGM from October to December last year; some of them were those who had visited various health centres especially those who went to deliver.

She said communities living in the district continue conducting FGM for the belief that they should not make love affairs with other men.

She also said the belief that has grown so much in the communities is that a woman who has not undergone FGM cannot get married, hence many women succumb to the rites so that they get married.

Sulle also said a strategic plan they had put is to continue fighting the vice that had been spreading among the communities.

"What is worse these days the FGM also go for small children in great secrecy but we have been identifying them when they are sent to clinics," she said.

According to national statistics Manyara region leads in FGM incidents by 58 per cent. elder who talked to this newspaper on conditions not to reveal his name said they have inherited the tradition from their grandparents, hence to prevent the rite is difficult.

Vestina Lucas, a resident of Katesh said there are some women who are not aware that their private parts had been removed as they had undergone FGM when they were still young.



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By Guardian Reporter

## President Magufuli appoints four board chairs

**PRESIDENT** John Magufuli has appointed four board chairs, Rector of the Water Institute and the executive secretary of the Tanzania National Business Council (TNBC).

A statement from the Chief Secretary ambassador John Kijazi availed to the media on Monday said that the

appointments started with immediate effect.

Prof Maurice Mbago has been re-appointed as chairman of the Tanzania Education Authority (TEA) board. He was earlier serving on the same

position.

President Magufuli also appointed Dr Masatu Chiguna as board chair of the Tanzania Airports Authority (TAA) taking over the position of Prof Ninatubu Lema whose appointment

was nullified and its board being dissolved.

Prof Zacharia Mganilwa has been appointed to serve as board chair of the Marine Services Company Limited (MSCL). Prof Mganilwa is currently

serving as the Rector of the National Institute of Transport (NIT).

"President Magufuli has also appointed Mariam Nkumbi as chairperson of the board of directors of the Tanzania Sisal Board (TSB)," read

part of the statement.

Meanwhile, Dr Godwill Wanga has been appointed the executive secretary of the Tanzania National Business Council. Prior to the appointment, Dr Wanga was a senior lecturer with the University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM).

Dr Adam Omar has been appointed the Rector of the Water Institute (WI).

## VACANCIES

PATH is a global organization that works to accelerate health equity by bringing together public institutions, businesses, social enterprises, and investors to solve the world's most pressing health challenges. With expertise in science, health, economics, technology, advocacy, and dozens of other specialties, PATH develops and scales solutions—including vaccines, drugs, devices, diagnostics, and innovative approaches to strengthening health systems worldwide.

PATH is seeking to fill the positions below as part of its projects implementation in Tanzania.

**Project Officer, Tools for Integrated Management of Childhood Illness – TIMCI (Tracking Code 9817)**

Tools for Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (TIMCI) is a global effort led by PATH to accelerate availability, adoption and scale-up of tools to identify severe illness and decrease mortality in children under five years of age. PATH and its primary partner, the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Swiss TPH), will implement a four-year project funded by Unitaid. TIMCI has two major goals that both seek to improve detection of severe disease in children under five: 1) to improve healthcare workers' ability to diagnose severe disease by equipping them with pulse oximeters (POX) and electronic decision support tools; and 2) to accelerate the development and market entry of non-invasive devices that augment the features of a standard POX with one or more additional vital sign measurements. This high profile and potentially high impact project will begin in July 2019 and will take place in five countries: Kenya, Myanmar, Senegal, Tanzania, and the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh.

PATH is seeking a Program Officer who will be responsible for day-to-day country-level project management and oversight of PATH-led activities. He/she should be able to provide practical supervision for project staff and be a direct liaison with implementation partners and MOH at national and district levels. The Program Officer will report primarily to the TIMCI Project Director and secondarily to the Tanzania Program Representative.

**WASH Project Coordinator (Tracking Code 9811)**

We are seeking a WASH Project Coordinator to be based in Arusha and will have a variety of responsibilities for WASH evaluation activities in small community water distribution systems (CWDS) and health care facilities (HCFs) in Hai and Monduli districts. S/he will work closely with PO-RALG, Environmental Health Officers (EHOs) to optimize chlorination within water system and support project activities. This position will serve as the primary liaison with regional and district level stakeholders and participate in sites visits, preparing, organizing and planning for project deliverables.

**Detailed job descriptions and application instructions**  
Please visit our website <http://www.path.org> for more details on these positions. Qualified candidates should submit their resume and cover letter online to apply through our website not later than Wednesday January 29, 2020. We appreciate your application but only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted.

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### ST. JOSEPH UNIVERSITY IN TANZANIA

## VACANCY FOR THE POSITION OF THE DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLORS

**Introduction**  
St. Joseph University in Tanzania (SJUIT) is the university owned by trustees of Daughters of Mary Immaculate and Collaborators (DMI) and registered by the Commission for Universities (TCU). The university has three colleges namely college of Engineering and Technology (SJCET), The Campus College of Science and Mathematics (SJUCSME) both located in the main campus at Mbezi Luguruni and St. Joseph College of Health and Allied Sciences (SJCHAS) located in Boko, Dar Es Salaam. The university believes in its mission.

**SJUIT is seeking to appoint:**

**1. DVC- Academics, Research and Public Engagement**

**Duties & responsibilities**

- Be responsible to the Vice Chancellor in respect of such matters of education administration and delivery;
- Facilitate learning teaching and learning, research and community service) in the institutions of the University;
- Be responsible for smooth running and development all matters academic standards in the University;
- Advise on all matters pertaining to Academics Management, quality, control and assurance;
- Evaluate current progress of academic programmes in the institute and recommending future programmes;
- Recommend appropriate budgets for academic matters;
- Oversee research and consultancy activities at the Institution;
- Coordinate the development and establishment of academic programmes and management of academic resources;
- Oversee admission and examination regulations and;
- Perform any other duties which the Vice Chancellor may assign.

- Be responsible to the Vice Chancellor for the general administration and personnel management of the University;
- Be responsible for formulating accounting policies and procedures of the University for submitting budgets, audited accounts;
- Be responsible for legal matters of the University;
- Perform any other duties, as may be assigned by the Vice Chancellor

**Eligibility**  
Applicants for the listed position must have attained a status of professor or associate professor or its equivalent in either teaching or research or both teaching and research. Preference will be given to candidates in the field of Engineering, Science, Medicine or allied health Sciences and who have an outstanding academic and administrative capability of at least five years at senior management.

**Remuneration**  
Will be competitive and commensurate with the applied position

**How to apply**  
Application should be accompanied by detailed curriculum vitae (detailing academic qualifications, professional experience, academic leadership, and publications, awards/scholarships/funding. Membership to professional associations and linkages and certified copies of relevant academic and professional certificates, national identity card or passport, testimonials, copies of certificates, email addresses and telephone contacts and any relevant supporting documents.

Name and full contact addresses of three references who know the applicants academic and/or work experience.

**Deadline:** Qualified candidates should send their application to the below address on or before **10th February 2020**

**Application Should Be Addressed To The:**  
Chairman,  
Search Committee for Deputy Vice  
Chancellor- ARPE/RMA  
St. Joseph University in Tanzania,  
P.O.Box 11007  
Dare S Salaam  
[searchcommittee@sjuit.ac.tz](mailto:searchcommittee@sjuit.ac.tz)















## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF A MODERN KITCHEN FACILITY FOR CRDB BANK Plc NEW HEAD QUARTERS BUILDING

- CRDB Bank Plc is building its New Head Quarters on Plot No.25 AND 26 along Ali Hassan Mwinyi Road and Plot No. 21 along Barack Obama Drive. As an integral part of this project, the bank plans to build and equip a modern kitchen facility. In this regard, the bank is looking for a firm that will be responsible for supply, installation and commissioning of this facility.
- The bank now invites eligible Firms to collect the relevant RFP documents from the following address; 1st Floor, CRDB Head Office, along Azikiwe Street, Office Accommodation Scheme Building, Opposite New Post Office, P. O. Box 268, Dar es Salaam.  
  
Alternatively, interested firms can submit a request for soft copies to the following email address: tenders@crdbbank.com
- A shortlist of firms will be developed on the basis of the proposals submitted to CRDB Bank Plc. The selection will be conducted through a two-staged "Quality Based" process. Initial short listing shall be conducted based on Technical and Functional Capabilities, Experience and skills whereas the second short listing shall be done based on a presentation covering previous similar assignments, experience and capabilities in conjunction with due diligence of reference sites and Head Offices of the participating firms.
- Interested eligible firms may obtain further information from the office of the CRDB Bank Tender Committee Secretary, CRDB Head Office along Azikiwe Street, 1st Floor, Office of Accommodation Scheme Building, from 8:00AM to 5:00PM Local Time on Monday to Friday excluding public holidays.
- All Tenders in one original, duly filled in, and enclosed in plain envelopes must be delivered to the Tender Box on the 1st Floor, CRDB Head Office, along Azikiwe Street, Office Accommodation Scheme Building, Opposite New Post Office, P. O. Box 268, Dar es Salaam before 1500hours local time on 11th February, 2020. All Tender clearly marked, should be addressed to the Secretary Management Tender Committee CRDB Bank Plc P.O.BOX 268, Dar es Salaam.
- All Requests for proposal will be opened in public and in the presence of Bidder's representatives who will choose to attend the opening ceremony at CRDB Head Office Meeting Room situated on the 1st Floor on 3rd February, 2020 at 1500 hours' local time.
- Late Tenders, Incomplete Tenders, Electronic Tenders, Tenders not received, and not opened and not read out in public at the Tender opening ceremony shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances.

The Managing Director  
CRDB Bank Plc  
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Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR PROVISION OF VARIOUS SERVICES TO CRDB HEAD OFFICE, ZONAL OFFICES AND BRANCHES ACROSS THE COUNTRY

- CRDB Bank Plc is seeking for Request For Proposal (RFP) from qualified Firms for provision of various services to its Head Office, zonal offices and branches across the Country. The requested services have been categorized into 5 lots mentioned below:-
  - LOT 1:** Provision of cleaning services
  - LOT 2:** Provision of support and maintenance of Air Condition
  - LOT 3:** Provision of support and maintenance of Fire Extinguishers and Fire Detection System
  - LOT 4:** Provision of fumigation services
  - LOT 5:** Provision of service and maintenance of the Bank's motor vehicles
- Interested Firms/Companies/Service providers for the above listed services should have and submit minimal requirement but not limited to the following:-
  - Possession of registration certificate from relevant authorities, business license, company certificate of incorporation, TIN, VAT Registration.
  - The company must have not less than three years experience in the field.
  - The company must have experience in similar nature of work and complexity in different organizations.
  - Submission of key staff CVs demonstrating their ability to carry out the assignment.
  - Documentary evidence of financial capability, experience and capacity to undertake the assignment including three (3) years company financial statements/audited financial reports.
  - Company profile, Key references of provision of similar services
  - Current physical location (which will be inspected for verification); that is a valid right of occupancy of office premises or lease contract
  - Submission of certified power of attorney document
  - Submission of certified declaration on Litigation information regarding your firm.
- The bank now invites eligible Firms/service providers to submit RFP for the above mentioned services for Selection and engagement process for the bank to be provided with the required services.
- Interested eligible Firms/service providers shall obtain RFP Documents from the office of the CRDB Bank Management Tender Committee Secretary, CRDB Head Office along Azikiwe Street, 1st Floor Office, Accommodation Scheme Building, and through zonal offices from 8:00AM to 5:00PM Local Time on Monday to Friday excluding public holidays. The RFP document can also be downloaded from the CRDB Bank Plc website's tender portal.
- All RFP responses in one original, duly filled in, and enclosed in plain envelopes must be delivered to the respective zonal offices as per the RFP document with exception of Eastern Zone which shall be submitted at CRDB Head Office along Azikiwe Street, 1st Floor Office, and Accommodation Scheme Building before 03:00pm on 11th February, 2020. All RFP responses clearly marked, should be addressed to the Secretary Management Tender Committee CRDB Bank Plc P.O.BOX 268, Dar es Salaam.
- All RFP responses will be opened in public and in the presence of Bidder's representatives who will choose to attend the opening ceremony at CRDB Bank Plc respective zonal offices with exception of Eastern Zone which shall be submitted at CRDB Head Office along Azikiwe Street, 1st Floor Office, and Accommodation Scheme Building on 11th February, 2020 at 03:00pm.
- Late RFP responses, a portion of it, Electronic versions, Responses not received, not opened, not read out in public at the opening ceremony shall not be accepted for evaluation irrespective of the circumstances.

The Managing Director  
CRDB Bank Plc  
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## TERMS OF REFERENCE

## BCC Baseline and End line survey

<b>Title</b>	Baseline and End line survey consultant
<b>Purpose</b>	To conduct Baseline and End line survey for the implementation of Behaviour Change and Communication strategy in Mvomero District
<b>Sector and Project</b>	Energy- Endev III project
<b>Location</b>	Morogoro Region - Mvomero District
<b>Expected Contract Duration</b>	39 days
<b>Starting Date</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 - 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021
<b>Deadline for application</b>	04 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
<b>Open to</b>	National and International Individual consultants or firms

## 1. Background

SNV is a not-for-profit international development organization. Founded in the Netherlands 50 years ago, we have built a long-term, local presence in 39 of the poorest countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America. Our global team of local and international advisory works with local partners to equip communities, businesses and organizations with the tools, knowledge and connections they need to increase their incomes and gain access to basic services – empowering them to break the cycle of poverty and guide their own development. The overall goal of SNV's engagement in the Renewable Energy (RE) sector in Tanzania is to contribute to improve the livelihoods of the rural and peri-urban people by accelerating the dissemination and use of renewable energy products and services. SNV Tanzania is involved in two renewable energy sub-sectors: Biomass Cooking Energy and Solar with a variety of projects and cross-cutting initiatives.

SNV is the implementing agency for the Energizing Development (EnDev) programme in Tanzania. EnDev Tanzania focuses on two key project components: the development of markets and sustainable supply for improved cook stoves (ICS) as well as for small plug-and-play solar (picoPV) technology in rural and peri-urban areas in the Lake Zone, Northern Zone and throughout the Central and Southern Zones of Tanzania.

SNV began implementation of the EnDev programme in April of 2013 with the Tanzania Improved Cook Stoves (TICS) project. TICS works to build upon existing local ICS supply chains to initiate the production, distribution and sales of clean and marketable ICS options that meet the need of rural households. The project works closely with existing stove entrepreneurs to realize improved performance, quality and marketability of cook stove options. Through regular and verifiable sales monitoring undertaken by the programme, emerging 'cook stove champions' are identified and availed access to advanced and individualized products and services in business development, marketing and production scaling.

Performance based approaches employed in the EnDev Tanzania programme are an innovative way to unlock the potential of local entrepreneurs by providing them the means and flexibility to make rural markets work. While champion producers are making great progress in increasing their production capacity and product quality, there is excess capacity relative to demand for their product. This indicates that there is an opportunity for shifting behaviours around unhealthy cooking practices near to these producers. It is anecdotally observed by our team that in villages surrounding EnDev programme producers most households continue to engage in unhealthy cooking practices such as cooking indoors with poor ventilation (contributing to toxic indoor air pollution) and using inefficient three-stone open fires (requiring more wood fuel to be collected, usually by women and girls, putting them in vulnerable situations and at risk of sexual violence). In this regard SNV Tanzania is expecting to implement a Behaviour Change and Communication (BCC) programme in five villages across three zones of Tanzania aimed at shifting to Smart Cooking practices and up-scaling demand for ICS. The vision for the BCC component is a participatory, multi-dimensional, transformation intervention aimed at establishing a community-driven improved cooking culture that promotes health and nutrition, environmental conservation and economic growth.

In this regard there is a need to explore the underlying causes of poor cooking practices to identify the key focus behaviours, behaviour determinants or factors that influence whether a person has the motivation to engage in a given improved cooking behaviour, the drivers that will trigger behaviour change, and the messaging and communication channels that will be effective in motivating changes to the focus behaviours.

Thus, SNV Tanzania is planning to undertake baseline and endline surveys into two wards of Mvomero district (Treatment and control wards) in Morogoro region. Treatment ward is the selected ward for year one implementation where the project is intended to pilot the developed BCC strategy and the control ward is the second ward where the project will implement the BCC strategy in the following year 2021.

Therefore, for the appropriate programme design SNV is looking for a professional Consultant with enough experience in baseline design and statistical analysis to provide high quality technical assistance in gathering all the fundamental information regarding Cooking Practices.

## 2. Objective and scope of study

## a) Objectives

The baseline study will focus on the collection of data/information for a set of performance indicators. The baseline will form the basis for the final evaluation (endline survey) other than setting the benchmark and helps to set targets for the BCC indicators. Hence, the selected consultant will provide technical support in designing, analysing and producing a baseline survey report. The baseline report will be used for monitoring benchmark and evaluating the project results.

## Specific Objectives are:

- To collect and establish social data of households (HH) specifically on education, health and economic wellbeing.
- To collect existing information on cooking practices, behaviours and attitudes
- To collect existing data and information in cooking energy supply and demand
- Map sources of acquisition and utilization patterns and marketplace dynamics of cooking fuel
- To gather all information related to marketing situation of ICS including but not limited to availability, accessibility, affordability, willingness to pay and acceptable price for ICS
- To assess the number of actors/players and identify the level of coordination and involvement at the regional level.
- To assess the environment and possibly channels for promoting ICS

## b) Scope of Work

The baseline study will cover key cooking stakeholders that the project will engage with, including house holders, ICS enterprises and producers, Government including sub-village, village and district leaders, elders and influential leaders. A total of 400 randomly selected households will be surveyed (200 per each ward) to generate quantitative data/information and two focus groups will be convened with a total of 10 members each to get an insight of the things originated in the interviews. A total of 2 wards of Mvomero District will be target areas for this baseline survey. Data will be gathered through two rounds of field visits during February-March 2020 (baseline survey) and Jan-Feb 2021 (Endline survey), respectively.

## c) Methodology (Data collection and triangulation)

An approximate mix of quantitative and qualitative methods will be applicable to gather and analyse data/information, to diverse perspective to baseline, and to promote participation of different groups of stakeholders. The detailed baseline methodology should consider the project beneficiaries includes households mostly female and men headed households, enterprises and marginalised people.

All survey instruments should be based on a thorough review of relevant documents and existing questionnaires and should, therefore, be designed to capture not only project outputs and outcomes (e.g. User needs and preferences, types of stove used, accessibility and affordability of ICS, time spent in the kitchen and in fetching firewood as well as adoption of improved kitchen) but also impacts/final outcomes (e.g. income/expenditure, women's empowerment). Elaboration of the proposed data collection methods are listed below.

## Desk review

The consultant team will be provided with all the project documents once selected but they can also use other secondary data sources for further data analysis.

## Quantitative Data collection

The project is intended to have baseline data at goal, outcome and if applicable at output levels. The quantitative information is vital to assess knowledge, behaviours, and skills on cooking practices of the target population. This will help to determine the availability, accessibility, utilization of ICS and Improved kitchen and identify the different service delivery channels to be applied by the project. Possible key respondents or data sources will be determined by the project and consultant team; However the detailed data sources and methods including full questionnaires that have been produced by the project team will be refined by consultant team.

The data collection will be covered a total of 400 households 200 per each ward includes selected for treatment and control wards which will be identified by the project team.

## Qualitative Data collection

Key method will be focus group discussions and in-depth interview with key partners who are the part of project audience. Two focus groups discussion with elders, influential people, and district specialists, house headed (women + men), Stove producers and the like are proposed. Moreover the consultant team will be free to propose other partners to be interviewed based on the information needed/gap.

## Data analysis and interpretation

The consultant team will be obliged with data analysis using industry-recognized statistical software. The draft finding will be presented to the stakeholders meeting to validate.

Triangulation of information and data through different methods and sources is considered fundamental to draw evidence based findings, conclusion and recommendation. Data should be disaggregated by sex and other characteristics (such as household main economic activity) as relevant to demonstrate equity focus to the extent possible, along with gender responsive analysis.

## 3. Key tasks and outputs

The baseline assessment will consist with two phases namely

- Phase One: Baseline survey to be carried out on Feb-March 2020.
- Phase two: end line survey expected to be carried out on Jan-Feb 2021 for better understanding progress and results in greater detail, with a focus on the effectiveness and sustainability of the BCC interventions.

The ToR covers both phases so that the bidder could be aware of the overall scope. The deliverable of the two phases are linked and informed one another. Below are the key activities and outputs needed to be undertaken in both phases:-

## a) Inception

Consultant team will have a kick off meeting together with EnDev III project team to familiarise with the project, review the draft baseline tools, collect necessary documents etc. The consultant team will therefore require to submit an electronic copy of the inception report to the project lead as agreed.

Both consultant and project team will agree and come into consensus on both baseline and endline assessment methodology, field visit plan, sampling and so on. The draft inception report should cover a detailed methodology including baseline framework and tools, quality insurance mechanism of data/information collection, pilot testing, sampling roles and responsibilities of the consultant team members, key, milestones as well as detailed work plan. Before a pilot test and data collection a consultant will be required to equip enumerators and facilitators with data collection skills. The report should be approved by the project lead.

## b) Data collection

Consultant will be provided with all the contact details. Field project team will do all the necessary logistics for both baseline and end line survey including field discussion as per the field visit plan to meet the primary stakeholders. The project team will also facilitate payments such as DSA and allowances as per contractual agreements.

## c) Baseline and End line reports

Presentation: The preliminary results of the both baseline and endline surveys will be shared for validation with the project team and stakeholders after the completion of data/information analysis. Venue and other logistics will be arranged and communicated by the project team.

Draft baseline and end line reports: The reports will be shared after incorporating feedback which will be received during the validation meeting. Project staff will then provide feedback to the consultant team.

Final baseline report: The final baseline report may be prepared after a few iterations of the report if the quality standards would not meet within the first round. The report format will be agreed during the inception phase and include in the inception report. The final report should include completely analytical framework of baseline assessment. The soft copy of the completed database (raw data) should be handled over to project lead together with the final report.

Final end line report: This should be a synthesis report based on the baseline and end line survey findings. The report will follow all the above procedures highlighted in the final baseline report.

The soft copy of the completed database should be handed over to SNV with the final report. The following outputs will be produced: a) Draft Soft copy of the inception report including survey tools and analytical framework; b) Both soft and hard copy of the final inception report including final translated survey tools, sampling, methodology and analytical framework; c) Electronic copy of draft report. Reporting format will be agreed during the inception Phase d) Preliminary Presentation of finding for validation e) Draft soft copy of the final baseline survey report including data sets f) Both soft copy and hard copy of the final baseline study report including datasets;

Table I: Deliverables and proposed timeline			
Tasks	Expected products/Deliverables	Where	Estimated Time
<b>Phase one: Baseline survey (24<sup>th</sup> Feb-31<sup>st</sup> March 2020)</b>			
1	Inception for the baseline survey including: • Desk review of the project documents • Refining existing data collection tools (questionnaire, outline of focus group discussion and interview questions)	Inception report with: • Confirmation of tasks and timeline • The survey protocols and methodology, data collection and analysis plan for baseline survey • Data collection tools	SNV DSM office/elsewhere 4 days
2	Field visit and data/information collection	✓ Raw and analysed data	Field Mvomero District 10 days
3	Reporting: ✓ Prepare draft report and share with project team ✓ Incorporate feedback in the draft report and present the findings in the stakeholders workshop ✓ Incorporate stakeholders feedback and submit the final report	✓ Draft and final report	SNV DSM or Consultants base 5 days
Total			
<b>Phase two: End line survey Jan-Feb 2021</b>			
1	Inception • Refine/develop end line survey protocols, methodology and tools	• The study protocol and methodology, data collection and analysis plan for end line survey. • Refined data collection tools (Questionnaires, outline for focus group discussion, interview questions etc).	SNV DSM or Consultants base 3 days
2	Field visit and data/information collection	• Raw and analysed data	Field Mvomero District 10 days
3	Reporting	• Data analysed with a draft end line survey report • Draft of the synthesis report based on the findings of baseline and end line survey. • Findings presented and validated in the stakeholders workshop • Final produced synthesis report with stakeholder's feedback.	SNV DSM or Consultants base 7 days
Total Days			
<b>Total days (phase I +Phase II)</b>			
20 Days			
<b>39 Days</b>			

## 3. SNV support

To achieve the above-mentioned objectives, SNV will facilitate and fund meetings and workshop arrangements for external parties as well as contacting all the relevant stakeholders including the Energy partners, Households, LGAs and community's leaders and representatives. SNV will provide timely feedback to all deliverable provided under the consultancy. The consultant will have support from a part-time SNV intern fluent in Swahili and guidance/peer-level engagement from a part-time Senior Advisor.

## 4. Qualification or specialised knowledge/ experience required

The consultancy/consultant should present a team of professionals. The team should have the below mentioned skills, knowledge, experience and competencies, and is capable in team size and level to ensure the schedule presented above can be met.

The team leader will have overall responsibility for the quality design and implementation of both baseline and endline survey and timely delivery of high quality output. The team leader should have a minimum of ten years of progressively international and national experience related to project evaluation, relevant previous experience for UN and INGO as an asset.

## Knowledge, skills and experience

- Demonstrate experience in excellent skills of qualitative and qualitative survey design, field implementation and data analysis, gender mainstreaming, and social exclusion analysis.
- Knowledge of Result based management
- Extensive demonstrated technical knowledge and/experience in cooking energy, gender, environment, and nutrition.
- Understand of the convention on the elimination of all form of Discrimination against women, and human rights-based approach
- Previous experience designing Baseline survey and evaluation specific to cooking practices is a strong asset.
- Excellent command of English, both written and oral, including report writing skills

## 5. Description of official travel involved

A travel plan should be included in the first set of deliverable submitted by the consultant. The travel required by the consultant to meet the objectives of the assignment should be included in the financial offer. The selected village for the BCC pilot is approximately about 100km from Morogoro town.

## 6. Bids evaluation

The table below presents the factors that the project team will consider during the bid assessment.

Table 2: Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Maximum score
1 <b>Consultant or firm experience in previous similar assignment and reputation</b> – Past performance, references for the work performed in the last five years	30%
2 <b>Understanding of the ToR, Methodology, work plan and the overall quality of the proposal</b> – Understanding of the assignment and its tasks, Methodology and approach to be used, Operational plan with clear timeline.	30%
3 <b>Relevance qualifications</b> – Detailed CV of the consultant or firm highlighted competences on the similar works.	30%
4 <b>Sample of previous works in the mentioned areas completed within the last five years</b> – Three samples of similar assignments implemented in the past five years	10%

## 7. Documents to be submitted as part of the Consultants application:

## a) Bidder Profile

- Completion of the Bidder Profile document summarizing the bidder's background, qualifications and experience.

## b) Technical Proposal

- The Technical Proposal should include but not limited to the following (4-6 pages - 6 pages max, 11 point font):
  - Summary of the objectives of the assignment from consultant perspective (0.5 -1 page)
  - Proposed approach/methodology for each activity and deliverable to meet objectives (2-3 pages).
  - Project implementation and work plan showing milestones, activities, detailed sequence, start and end dates, days necessary and required resources (1-2 pages).
  - CV of the consultant for individual or CVs of the proposed individuals by the firm to work on the assignment.

## c) Past Performance

- Include three reference projects related to consulting, conceptualization, designing and/or managing projects in the area of baseline design, implementation and data analysis, project evaluation for development within the past five years containing the following information (0.5 pages per project max):

- Name of Client/Employer
- Title of the Project, dates and duration of the project
- Scope of the Project, Requirements of the assignment, Proposed Solutions and Outcome
- Reference/Contact person details for each assignment and contact information
- Attach evidence of performance for each of the three referenced projects listed in the candidate profile (e.g. report samples, presentations, visuals, web-links, etc.)

## d) Financial Proposal

- The financial proposal shall indicate total budget estimated in USD for international consultants and TZS for national consultants, as well as a detailed breakdown of budget items mainly DSA, daily fee rate and travel/transport. Payments will be based on outputs, i.e. upon delivery of the services specified in the TOR. (Note that WHT of 5% for national and 15% international will be deducted at source and paid direct to TRA as per Tanzania law).

## e) Mandatory Requirements

- For Tanzanian national individual consultants: copies of Tax Registration certificate, TIN and the most recent tax clearance certificate. For International applicants will be responsible for their own tax requirements.

- For a firm regulation documents: Business license for all and TIN and VAT if applicable for national

Failure to provide a full package of documents listed above will result in disqualification of the whole bid.

Please submit the above listed in five (5) separate documents by one email with the subject line "EnDev Baseline-Endline Survey":  
[Tanzaniaprocurment@snv.org](mailto:Tanzaniaprocurment@snv.org) by 17:00 EAT 04th February 2020.

# Male change agents expect to see more women vie for leadership

By Guardian Reporter

MALE change agents have called on women from all registered political parties to contest for leadership positions in the next general elections slated in October this year and not to assume that such positions are reserved for women from the ruling party (CCM) alone.

Hassan Jani Masoud from North A district in Unguja is among 20-members male change agents who encourage women to vie for leadership positions. Hassan says he is confident that for community members who had attended sensitization meetings from different shehias currently would support women political emancipation.

Hassan said the challenge they may encounter is that most women think that the sensitization meetings were only meant at sensitizing women from the ruling party only.

He says the ruling CCM has been able to get more women in political leadership since re- introduction of multi-party system election by getting one seat to three seats in the House of Representatives, a healthy political and democratic steps than in any other political party in Tanzania.

"I think in a competitive political environment where women from the ruling party win seats and we wish for more, women from other political parties need to come up in big number to contest and win as well," said Hassan.

He said it was important for women from all parties to stand firm during the process and that due to their ability and commitment to the community, they should be able to express their plans, ensuring that they will be able to win regardless of party boundaries.

To make sure that happens, he advised the parties to put in place effective strategies including mobilizing women within their parties to contest and support them in every situation.

Zimba Khatib Bonde from Unguja South district who is also a mem-



Women should be encouraged to vie for different leadership positions, particularly in the forthcoming General Election.

ber of male change agents team that was initiated by TAMWA Zanzibar to reach out to the community to sensitize them to support women when via for political leadership posts said that there are still some who disagree with the idea and who feel that a woman's job is to cook and raise children.

The program aims at transforming gender norms so that women are accepted as legitimate and effective leaders.

He mentioned other challenges as negative attitude towards women political leadership religious misconception and women economic status.

Similarly, he argued that there are men who are obstacles to women and still harbour the feelings that women should not vie for political post.

The male change agents, ten from Unguja and ten from Pemba, have conducted sensitization meetings in 54 wards, Unguja 29 and Pemba 25 and have reached about 3,250 people of various classes resulting in the acquisition of 26 more men who wanted to join the team, including one Regional Commissioner and a District Commissioner.

TAMWA-Zanzibar in partnership with UN Women has been implementing the Women's Participation in Leadership and Politics project by en-

couraging the community to view the woman as a legitimate candidate and capable of being a leader at all level.

So far, 2,998 people have been reached, of which 1,511 women 586 and 901 are young-female and male. The goal is to reach about 4,000 beneficiaries and to encourage the community to view the woman as a legitimate candidate for political positions.

It is estimated that about 1,039 women form Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar vie for the Parliament and the Zanzibar House of Representatives in the October, 2015 elections were more than 12,000 candidates.

Director of Tamwa- Zanzibar, Dr Mzuri Issa once encouraged political parties and clerics should encourage women to vote for women candidates.

According to her, the number of women who participated in elections in 2015 was low despite the fact that most of the voters were women.

Dr Mzuri urged women to recognise their value and the role of women leaders. She said once women support their counterparts there will be a good number of women leaders after the 2020 general elections.

"We aim at improving the number of women candidates in the coming elections."

# British Prime Minister, African leaders urge investors to accelerate economic role on the African continent

LONDON

UK companies must leap at the chance to deepen economic ties with Africa, a continent with unmatched investment opportunities, several African leaders said at a high-level panel.

At an oversubscribed opening ceremony for the 2020 UK-Africa Investment Summit, Monday, attended by dignitaries and delegates from 16 African countries, including President El Sisi of Egypt, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson made the case for bigger investments in Africa and called for increased and renewed partnership between the UK and Africa.

Referring to Africa as a booming continent with "staggering levels of growth," Prime Minister Johnson (pictured) said: "Look around the world today and you will swiftly see that the UK is not only the obvious partner of choice, we're also very much the partner of today, of tomorrow and decades to come," he said in his opening address.

The UK-Africa Investment Summit, the first of its kind hosted by the UK Government, was attended by the foreign secretary, Dominic Raab, the international development secretary, Alok Sharma, and Prince Harry.

The President of Ghana, Nana Akufo Addo, of Kenya, Uhuru Kenyatta, of Mauritania, Mohamed Ould Cheikh el Ghazouani, African Development Bank President Akinwumi Adesina, and Secretary of State for International Development, MP Alok Sharma, addressed a plenary panel discussion on 'Sustainable Finance and Infrastructure - Unlocking the City of London and UK financial services for growth in Africa.'

President Kenyatta who rang the opening bell at the London Stock Exchange (LSE) marking the launch of Kenya's first green bond at the LSE, made the case for innovative and sustainable investments in energy infrastructure.

"We all must think out of the box in terms of energy... to ensure we produce more green energy. This first-ever sovereign green bond of \$41.45 million will be used to build environmentally-friendly student accommodation in Kenya."

Responding to a question about UK-Ghana partnerships, President Nana Akufo-Addo said in a world where Africa's wealth is undisputed, "the City of London can play a significant role in bridging Africa's huge infrastructure gap... and LSE can be a pivot in the new relationship with the continent. Indeed, 1 in 4 consumers will live in Africa by 2030," President Akufo-Addo said.

African Development Bank President Akinwumi Adesina announced a new \$80 million Bank-DFID infrastructure financing partnership.

According to Adesina, the continent's \$68-\$108 billion



infrastructure investment gap per year is massive, but it depends on how you look at it. "Either the cup is half full or half empty. To us, that is a \$68-\$108 billion opportunity."

Adesina added, "The issue of risk in Africa is exaggerated. The risk of loss is lower than Latin America. Yet, funds are not being channeled into Africa. There are \$8 trillion of assets under management in London, but only 1 percent is invested in Africa."

The Bank president urged investors to look to Africa and recalled the achievements of the Africa Investment Forum - a game-changing initiative led by the African Development Bank and key partners, to accelerate investment in the continent.

The unique multi-sector platform is designed to advance bankable deals to financial closure. At the 2019 Forum, which took place in Johannesburg, South Africa, deals valued at \$40.1 billion secured investment interest.

President Mohamed Ould Cheikh el Ghazouani of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, shared opportunities offered by the blue ocean economy and substantial reforms currently under way to attract foreign investors.

"We have reinforced security along our coasts. Other measures include the establishment of a Council on Investment. These huge efforts are showing tremendous results and it is giving comfort to investors," he noted.

The African continent is home to eight of the 15 fastest-growing economies in the world. By 2030, 42% of the world's youth will be African and will constitute an incredible workforce and potential consumers.

In his concluding remarks, UK Secretary of State for International Development, MP Alok Sharma expressed confidence in the continent. "Africa has a fabulous future."

Sharma announced five partnerships to mobilise private sector investment in quality infrastructure on the continent. "The City of London can play a role in mobilizing resources for Africa," Sharma said.



## Terms of References for Behaviour Change (BCC) and Communication promotion Materials

<b>Name of assignment</b>	Design and Production of Communication Materials
<b>TOR title</b>	Production of Behaviour Change and Communication promotional(BCC) materials
<b>Sector and Project</b>	Energy- Endeve III project
<b>Geographical focus</b>	Lake, South, Central, and North zones of Tanzania
<b>Proposed start date</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2020
<b>Proposed end date</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021
<b>Open to:</b>	National or International Registered Individual consultants Firms/Organisations

### Background and rationale

SNV Tanzania is a not-for-profit international development organisation, working in 38 of the poorest countries worldwide, including 17 countries in Sub Saharan Africa. We focus on Agriculture, Renewable Energy, and Water, Sanitation & Hygiene. SNV's strategy addresses the following key elements: Inclusive development listens to and engages with people living in poverty, and underprivileged categories of the population such as young women and men. Realizing inclusive and sustained development at scale requires systemic change in sector performance and promoting equality. SNV supports local ownership by strengthening the capacities of local stakeholders in development processes for and on behalf of the poor.

SNV is the implementing agency for the Energizing Development (EnDev) programme in Tanzania from April 2013. EnDev programme in Tanzania focuses on two key project components: the development of markets and sustainable supply for improved cook stoves (ICS) as well as for small plug-and-play solar (pico PV) technology in rural and peri-urban areas in the Lake Zone, Northern Zone and throughout the Central and Southern Zones of Tanzania.

EnDev III program under cooking component works to build upon existing local ICS supply chains to initiate the production, distribution and sales of clean and marketable ICS options that meet the need of rural households. The project works closely with existing stove entrepreneurs to realize improved performance, quality and marketability of cook stove options. Through regular and verifiable sales monitoring undertaken by the programme, emerging 'cook stove champions' are identified and availed access to advanced and individualized products and services in business development, marketing and production scaling.

In this regards SNV Tanzania is expecting to implement a Behaviour Change and Communication (BCC) programme in five villages across three zones of Tanzania aimed at shifting to Smart Cooking practices and up-scaling demand for ICS. The vision for the BCC component is a participatory, multi-dimensional, transformation intervention aimed at establishing a community-driven improved cooking culture that promotes health and nutrition, environmental conservation and economic growth.

To achieve Behaviour Change regarding bad cooking practices, behaviours and attitudes, the programme will implement several communications for development activities and some of them will require visual support and other communication materials to promote behaviour change. The materials should include messages that are evidence-based and linked to SNV's recently completed Formative Research findings and the Human Motives identified.

The EnDev III Programme is, therefore, seeking to recruit a specialised consultancy firm to design and produce BCC promotional materials to support a range of interventions including triggering behaviour change in bad cooking practices, behaviours and attitudes in both project areas. Hence, support the local government authorities towards achieving universal access to Energy.

### Purpose, Aims and Objectives

The main objective of this consultancy is to produce materials that contribute to an overall campaign which will result in increased consumer awareness on the use of improved cook stoves (ICS); increased awareness on best cooking practices including cooking technologies; and increased demand for improved cooking stoves (ICS). The target population has been proved to practise bad cooking practices and therefore, communication materials address their behaviour by tapping into the right messages, images and human motives.

The layout and graphics materials are expected to be up to the highest standards, while adhering to the publication standards of SNV including the use of official fonts, font sizes, colours, logos, formats, etc. The guidelines will be provided by the project lead, as well as any reference material needed.

### Activities and timeframes

#### Deliverables

Below is a list of some of the types of Behaviour Change and Communication Materials materials the project will likely require as part of the campaign work. The deliverables will require the production of the listed materials in the table below that will be agreed upon quantities and timeframes once the successful applicant has been selected. For the purpose of this ToR is for the consultant to come up with a budget proposal for the following products which are under consideration for now:

Item	Specifications	Sample	Unit	Quantity	Production cost	Total cost
Professional catalogue	A3	See attached sample				
Flyer	A5	See attached sample				
Posters	297 mm x 420 mm	See attached sample				
Banner	3000 mm x 1500 mm	See attached sample				
Sticker	15 mm x 105 mm	See attached sample				
Display Board/stand	A3	See attached sample				
Banner	3000 mm x 1500 mm	See attached sample				
T-shirts (regular)	S, M, L, XL (Short sleeves) and Photo tags	See attached sample				
T-shirts (long)	S, M, L, XL (Long sleeves) and Photo tags	See attached sample				
Cap	Standard (Short sleeve)	See attached sample				
IB card	Standard (Short sleeve)	See attached sample				

All materials shall be produced in the highest quality standards, full-colour and printing quality. All content will be developed in close consultation with SNV EnDev III staff, with staff and

consultancy firm jointly agree on the quality and content before delivering the final sample for printing development.

The service provider is requested to come up with a competitive proposal, specifying the budget for each of the foreseen activities, making sure all deliverables as mentioned above are included.

### Qualifications

#### Qualifications required include:

#### Key Qualification for Consultant/ consultancy firm:

- The consultant/ firm should have at least 5- 10 years of experience in designing and printing BCC materials.
- Excellent facilitation and in-depth analysis skill
- Experience of BCC campaigns in the development sector will be an added advantage, including the development of campaign messages.
- At least a bachelor degree in a field related to Marketing, Graphic design and documentation.
- At least one highly skilled graphic designer who has worked with international NGOs or international private sector forms on the project team.
- Adequate knowledge and experience, and proven track record in undertaking similar initiatives.
- Excellent communication skills and knowledge of English and Swahili.
- Working assignments with international organizations an advantage
- Demonstrated experience in producing and printing quality communication material of a similar type in Kiswahili or English (references should be provided).

Note: The call should be open to national firms/organisations.

Only suppliers registered as a company, research institution or NGOs will be accepted.

### Evaluation Criteria

Applicants are advised that proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

Criteria	Score
<b>1 Past Performance</b> Quality and relevance of previous work conducted by the firm, Based on references provided by the contracting companies, and 3 samples of communication materials designed /produced (e.g. Poster, Leaflet, Stickers etc) by the firm within the last 12 months.	30
<b>2 Technical Proposal</b> 1) Demonstrating 1) a clear understanding of the assignment 2) appropriate tools and software to be used (e.g. Photoshop), and 3) a realistic operational plan (including with proposed timelines) 4) Samples of the attached Display box, catalogue and doth bag and one sample of the T-shirts and cape	20
<b>3 Financial Proposal</b> A breakdown of costs required to deliver the assignment that demonstrates value for money (including dear units/unit costs, separating professional fees and other reimbursable costs). The budget should be detailed enough to show the number of days, involved professionals and time for each creativity/activity.	30
<b>4 Team Composition and structure</b> The relevance of the proposed team structure to the methodology and the task assigned; Qualifications and relevant experience of the key personnel (CVs)	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

### Submission of Expression of interest

Interested organisations or firms are requested to submit:

- Technical proposal with the following details:
  - Understanding of the task
  - Methodology and approach (materials and tools to be used)
  - Operational plan (this is for selection purposes, a revised plan will be agreed upon with the successful applicant)
  - CVs and outline of specific tasks for each team member
- Samples of the attached display box, catalogue and cloth bag and one sample of the T-shirts and cap
- Three references with full details of the organisation in which similar work was done.
- A financial proposal (in TSH) as provided in the format above (See Deliverables & Budget Section). Consultancy fees submitted must be inclusive of all taxes (please note that under Tanzanian law, Withholding Tax (WHT) of 5% and 18% VAT for national and 15% international is deducted at source and paid directly to TRA).
- The copies of TIN - Tax Registration certificate, a copy of business or NGO registration certificate, completed and filled Conflict of Interest Statement

Note: All of these items are mandatory and failure to provide them will result in disqualification of the whole bid.

Please submit the EOI named "Endev III Programme, Production of BCC Materials" by email to:

Tanzaniaprocurment@snv.org by 1700 EAT 04th Feb 2020.



**Elizabeth Glaser  
Pediatric AIDS  
Foundation**

*Until no  
child has  
AIDS.*

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

"Sometimes in life there is that moment when it's possible to make a change for the better. This is one of those moments."

### -Elizabeth Glaser

The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation is a global leader in the fight against pediatric HIV and AIDS, working in 19 countries and supporting close to 6,000 sites around the world to prevent the transmission of HIV to children, and to facilitate access to services for those already infected. Today, because of the highly successful work of the Foundation and its partners, pediatric AIDS has been virtually eliminated in the United States. With a growing global staff of over 1,000—nine of 10 who work in the field—the Foundation's global mission is to implement prevention, care, and treatment; further advance innovative research and to execute strategic and targeted global advocacy activities to bring dramatic change to the lives of millions of women, children, and families worldwide.

### Position Details

#### Position Summary

<b>Job Title:</b>	<b>Associate Director, Evaluation and Research</b>
<b>Immediate Supervisor:</b>	<b>Country Director</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Dar es Salaam</b>
<b>Job grade:</b>	<b>8</b>

#### Job Summary

The Associate Director, Evaluation and Research (ADER), supervised by the Country Director, will lead and manage the EGPAF/Tanzania's portfolio of research and evaluation activities including the generation of proposals and other requests for funding related to HIV clinical, implementation, or program effectiveness research.

Working in close coordination with the Technical and Strategic Information (SI) teams, the ADER will directly contribute to generation of a strong evidence base to improve the effective delivery of quality programs to further the mission of EGPAF/Tanzania, improving the lives people and communities infected and affected by HIV in Tanzania and beyond.

The ADER will develop evaluation concepts, proposals and protocols with the aim of identifying improved technical assistance approaches, service delivery models and/or patient outcomes. Working closely with technical program team members, the ADER will support EGPAF staff to conduct internal program optimization evaluations.

The ADER will lead EGPAF contributions to, and facilitation of analytic collaboration with the Government of Tanzania (GoT), developing concepts and analysis plans, building capacity through collaboration with GoT counterparts, and leading or facilitating the data analysis and dissemination of findings locally and internationally (meetings, abstracts, manuscripts).

The ADER will contribute to building capacity of EGPAF technical and SIE team members in higher level data analytics, and data interpretation. The ADER will provide guidance in evaluation design, specifically with regard to sampling, tool development, data capture systems, and validation/cleaning of evaluation datasets. He/she will also serve as Principal or co-Investigator on selected protocols. The ADER must be able to work effectively within a multi-disciplinary team within and outside of EGPAF (particularly with GoT counterparts).

### Essential Duties and Responsibilities

#### Research/Evaluation

- Oversee and coordinate the implementation of operations research protocols, including:
  - Research conceptualization and study design
  - Writing/amending protocols and managing IRB approval processes
  - Tracking study participation (human subjects' recruitment, follow-up, withdrawals, etc.)
  - Managing budgets
  - Interpreting and disseminate study findings
  - Abstract and manuscript writing
- Direct and oversee research regulatory compliance (human subjects training, regulatory files, protocol approvals/progress/closure, document/data storage, etc.), liaising with the EGPAF global regulatory officer to ensure all human subjects' research protections are in place and all protocols undergo appropriate sponsor, U.S. and Tanzania IRB review and approval
- Work closely with appropriate technical staff at GoT and EGPAF to develop analytic concept notes under the "Reaching 90-90-90" Patient and Program Outcomes Protocol (PPOP).

#### POA

- Lead EGPAF's program optimization approach (POA) capacity building within and outside of the evaluation/research unit, engaging technical staff at all levels in planning and executing structured data-driven internal program evaluations.
- Monitor and support POA implementation, data analysis and dissemination of findings.
- Contribute to EGPAF technical team member capacity in using data to describe program outputs and outcomes, and critically interpret program associations.

### Other

- Lead in preparation of study reports, abstracts and manuscripts and dissemination of results at district, national, and international levels
- Collaborate with the global Research team and research teams across EGPAF programs to leverage global expertise, share experiences, and facilitate multi-country research activities
- Work with CD to ensure research is well resourced and support solicitation of new funding for Foundation priority research areas
- Any other responsibilities as assigned.

### Required Qualifications

#### Education and Experience

- MD, PhD or similar advanced degree in Epidemiology or Biostatistics
- Minimum of 10 years' experience in health research in developing countries, including protocol development, design of surveys, data collection, data analysis, and scientific writing
- Experience in scientific writing including presentations in local and international conferences
- Strong mentorship skills in research and evaluation including grant and proposal writing, data analysis and scientific writing
- Strong experience in managing and conducting research and dissemination of research products through publication in local and international peer reviewed journals
- Experience with soliciting research approvals from local and national review bodies

#### Essential Skills and Knowledge

- Knowledge of protection of human subjects in research and ethics regulations to ensure compliance with all local and international requirements
- Knowledge and understanding of HIV services, PMTCT, MCH, pediatric and adult HIV care and treatment
- Evidence of independent completion of complex data analyses using a common statistical package (STATA, SAS, SPSS, R) – published manuscripts, master's dissertation, project reports, etc.
- Proficiency in data capture and data management, using Microsoft Access, Epi-Info, Kobo, ODK, etc
- Strong organizational skills, with ability to prioritize, take initiative and follow-through
- Ability to exercise diplomacy and build partnerships and consensus, within teams, governmental agencies and with other stakeholders.
- Proven ability to work effectively as member of dynamic team in fast-paced environment
- Excellent oral and written communication skills (English and Kiswahili); strong critical thinking, problem solving and attentiveness to detail.
- Conducts work and him/herself with Integrity, commitment and respect for others

### Position Details

<b>Job title:</b>	<b>Council Project Coordinator</b>
<b>Reporting to:</b>	<b>Senior Project Manager</b>
<b>Job grade:</b>	<b>Grade 6</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Mpwawpa, Moshi MC, Arusha DC and Manyara</b>

#### Job Summary

The Council Project Coordinator (CPC) is a self-motivated individual who will provide direct oversight and technical assistance to a district CHMT to enable them to provide quality integrated and comprehensive FP/RCH, TB and HIV services. She/he will be a focal person representing EGPAF within the district, with the primary goal to ensure quality TB, FP/RCH and HIV services delivery by supported health facilities, through coordination, technical support and monitoring of the EGPAF supported program activities and the related activities in the district CCHP. S/he reports to the Senior Project Manager who provides leadership and technical support within the region. This position requires to be stationed at the council health office, with frequent travel within the district to its health facilities.

#### Essential Duties and Responsibilities

Coordination of district implementation plan to provide Integrated FP, TB and HIV/AIDS services

- Work closely with CHMT to coordinate program planning, budgeting, implementation and monitoring of activities in line with the CCHP;
- Work closely with DED and other council staff to ensure adequate and timely funding availability for implementation of program activities by CHMTs;
- In case of FBOs with direct sub-agreements within the district, work closely with management of FBOs to plan, budget and implement program activities; and coordinate alignment of FBOs activities with district CCHP;
- Work closely with DTLC, DACC and DRCHCO and other key district players to ensure health facilities receive adequate and timely support;
- Translate national FP/RCH, TB and HIV program priorities to enable districts plan and budget according to their needs;
- Work with the district in enhancing collaboration amongst HIV/AIDS implementing partners;

- Collaborate with his/her direct CHMT to identify support needs in any programmatic areas.

Provide technical assistance to districts to build capacity of district and health facility staff to offer quality integrated TB, FP/ RCH and HIV/AIDS services

- In collaboration with district supervisors, assess skills development and training needs of healthcare workers and coordinate for their relevant training Conduct supportive supervision and mentorship in collaboration with district teams
- Apply Quality Improvement (QI) principles throughout the district support and provide technical assistance on establishment and sustaining district and facility based QI teams
- Provide TA to district mentors to plan and implement mentorship and QI activities as per national guidelines.
- Facilitate availability of updated guidelines, including SOPs, M&E and other national tools for quality service provision;
- Support districts in providing technical assistance to health facilities on HIV commodity management; ordering, usage and reporting to avoid stock outs.

### Performance Monitoring

#### a. Financial monitoring of sub-agreement(s)

- Prepare, implement and report on sub-recipient monitoring exercise
- Review, sign and submit sub recipient monthly expense reports to regional office by 30th of every month.
- Prepare sub recipient monthly BVA report and share with regional office on monthly basis.
- Ensure compliance review is done to sub recipient at least twice a year.

#### b. Programmatic monitoring of sub-recipient plan(s)

- Monitor districts to implement program activities according to their work plan and budget.
- Prepare follow up action plans of support provided and monitor its implementation
- Prepare for district level data analysis and review meetings to track program performance
- Assist district and their respective sites in analyzing data of all program components to achieve planned targets
- Ensure sub recipient quarterly technical reports are submitted to regional office each quarter.
- Oversee collection of sub recipient program deliverables and submission to regional office by 10th of each first month of each quarter.
- Prepare quarterly district programmatic reports for and submit to regional office timely
- Support districts to ensure timely financial cash request and provision of funds and monitor utilization of obligated funds as per signed agreement.

### Documentation of Best Practices and Learnings

- Identify and write on best practices, program briefs and success stories.
- Share and disseminate lessons learnt from sites with all relevant stakeholders and serve as a technical resource for the district and sites

### Representation and Other Duties

- Represent EGPAF at Council level.
- Provide back up support to other districts whenever requested by the senior SPM.
- Perform other relevant program related duties as assigned by the senior SPM.

### Required Qualifications

- Graduate degree in health or social sciences
- Master's in Public Health would be advantageous

### Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

- At least 5 years' experience with MNCH and HIV/AIDS programs is essential
- Knowledge in Project Management and Quality Improvement
- Good communication skills both written and verbal
- Computer literacy, with comfortable working experience with the basic Microsoft packages (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Ms Outlook)
- Should be fluent in both Kiswahili and English

### HOW TO APPLY

- EGPAF is an equal opportunities employer and the position is open to all. Qualified candidates should submit a CV, cover letter and relevant certificates explaining how the experience detailed in the CV will contribute to the requirements of the position and references to EGPAF.

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## Chinese envoy upbeat on new starting point for Libyan issue after Berlin conference

BERLIN

CHINESE President Xi Jinping's special envoy Yang Jiechi on Monday reiterated that political solution is the only way for the Libyan issue, expecting a new beginning to address the issue after the Berlin Conference on Libya.

Yang, a member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and director of the Office of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the CPC Central Committee, made the remarks at a press briefing after he attended the Berlin Conference on Libya held on Sunday.

Yang said the conflicts and division in Libya have lasted for nine years and has become a miniature of the situation in West Asia and North Africa region, as not only have the Libyan people suffering miseries, but also the security and stability of the neighboring countries and the whole region have been impacted.

The Libyan issue has been spilling over, leading to weapon proliferation, refugees, terrorism and other problems that put serious challenges to the neighboring countries and regions and even the whole world, added Yang.

China has been paying close attention to the situation in Libya and appreciates the international community's constructive actions to cool down the situation in recent days.

Yang said the Berlin Conference on Libya is a key event. The presence of many heads of state and government as well as the UN secretary-general showed the great importance that the international community attaches to the political solution for the Libyan issue.

"I attended the conference as Chinese President Xi Jinping's special envoy. I contacted the participants extensively and actively persuaded for peace and negotiations," said Yang.

Yang said at the conference that effort to address the Libyan issue should focus on the fundamental interests of the Libyan people and the future and destiny of the North African country.

All parties concerned should restart dialogue and reconciliation as soon as possible, he added.

Yang also called for effectively and appropriately resolving differences in a bid to achieve regional peace and stability. The spillover effects of the Libyan conflict should also be eliminated through a comprehensive approach that addresses both symptoms and root causes, he said.

With the efforts of all participants, the Berlin Conference made important achievements with a Conference Conclusions issued, which calls for a ceasefire as soon as possible and stresses that there is a no way out for a military solution in Libya. It also urges parties concerned to implement UN Security Council resolutions and support the UN as a major mediation channel.

Stressing that China always maintains that the Libyan issue can be solved properly only through political approaches, Yang said: "We hope that the political solution for the Libyan issue will usher in a new starting point, and new active development will be made."

China always respects the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Libya, and China supports a Libyan-led and Libyan-owned political process under the aegis of the UN, he said.

During the process, the opinions of Libya's neighboring countries should be heard and fully respected, in a bid to find a solution that can take into account concerns of all parties. In the meantime, the international community should spare no efforts to fight against terrorism together, in a bid to prevent terrorism from becoming stronger in Libya and help the country put an end to the conflict, restore political dialogues and achieve lasting peace.

As a permanent member of the UN Security Council and a responsible country, China has always been supporting and promoting the process for a political solution of the Libyan issue.

Xinhua

## BUSINESS

## NMB Bank Plc donates 8.5m/- worth of chairs, tables, desks to school

By Guardian Reporter

NMB Bank Plc ushered in the new year by donating desks, chairs and tables worth 8.5m/- to Magingo Secondary School of Madaba district in Ruvuma region.

NMB's zone manager for southern region, Haji Msiywa said after handing over the donation the bank also donated 132 stools for laboratory use at Lipupuma Secondary School also in Madaba district.

Msiywa said the bank has allocated over 1bn/- budget to invest in education, health and disaster relief this year as part of its corporate social responsibility.

"NMB will continue to support the government and other stakeholders' efforts to solve community challenges in improving health and education services," Msiywa said.

Speaking after receiving the donation, Madaba District Council chairman, Vastus Mfikwa paid tribute to NMB's management and shareholders for continuing to support government efforts to improve education and

health in the country.

"NMB has helped us address the challenge of deficit of desks and stools for our classrooms and laboratories at the two public schools," Mfikwa who is also Mkongotemba councillor, said.

He expressed hope that Magingo Secondary School which is the best in Madaba and occupied position 23 at national level in form examinations, will continue to improve its performance.

Mfikwa's observation was backed by Mkongotema ward education officer, Edwin Thadei who said that the two public schools in the ward have received valuable NMB support.

"NMB's donation has assisted us reduce shortage of desks, chairs and stools at Magingo and Lipupuma by 90 percent," Thadei said while revealing that the two public schools had shortages of 77 tables, 87 chairs and 82 stools.

He called on other corporations to emulate the Dar es Salaam based lender's generosity by donating to public schools and health facilities which provide services to millions of people mostly low income bracket families.

## Kenya launches green bond at UK-Africa investment summit

LONDON

KENYAN President Uhuru Kenyatta rang the bell to begin trading at the London Stock Exchange (LSE) on Monday, as part of the launch of Kenya's first green bond in conjunction with his visit to the UK-Africa Investment Summit 2020.

The US\$40 million bond by Acorn Holdings, a property development firm based in Nairobi, will help raise funds to build 50,000 environmentally friendly housing units for university students in the city.

Kenyatta urged UK investors to choose Africa, tapping into Kenya's growing economy and the wider opportunities that the African Continental Free Trade Area will deliver.

"There is no better place to appreciate the realities of global economic activity and investment trends than this trading floor," Kenyatta said. The East African nation plans a sovereign green bond, and has an agreement to broaden

investment in Kenya by jointly listing Kenyan firms in both Nairobi and London.

"I invite the LSE to continue working with Kenya towards achieving this goal," he said.

Kenyatta noted the green bonds provide opportunity for African countries as well as those from the Caribbean and the Pacific region, to access capital in order to support growth in the face of more significant and earlier climate impacts than much of the world experiences.

Alok Sharma, the UK secretary for international development, said the investment summit led to billions of pounds of new initiatives expected to create jobs.

"We want to see investment that builds self-sustaining economies, economies that can provide quality health and education for everyone, and investments that properly consider their impact on the environment," he said.

# Tanzania to build small port on L. Tanganyika to ease trade with DRC

By Guardian Reporter

THE Ministry for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation has submitted performance report to the Foreign Affairs, Defense and Security Parliamentary Committee that said the

government has plans for building a port on Lake Tanganyika at the border with Congo DRC.

The Ministry Deputy Minister Dr Damas Ndumbaro revealed this in the report for the period June to December 2019 to the Committee in Dodoma yesterday.

"In order to reap economic benefits, we plan to build a small port on Lake Tanganyika as well as opening a Consulate in Lubumbashi, DRC's south eastern town 3,000 kms from capital Kinshasa," said Dr Ndumbaro.

He said the construction of the port will simplify Tanzania

products to be exported to Congo DRC than it is now where traders exporting goods to Congo DRC pass through Zambia.

He also said the government has been taking various steps in border areas with Congo DRC to ensure the prevalence of peace for people on both

sides so that they conduct trade without fear.

The Foreign Affairs, Defense and Security Parliamentary Committee Chairman Mussa Azzan Zungu stressed peace and security is beefed up even after the UN peacekeeping forces (MONUSCO) finish their work in Congo DRC.

## Brewer pledges continued investment in community services, smallholder farmers

By Guardian Reporter

INVESTMENTS in community projects including water supply will be given priority this year in addition to supporting smallholder farmers who supply Serengeti Breweries Limited (SBL) with raw materials for its beer manufacturing.

New SBL's managing director, Mark Ocitti said at a recent meeting with the Dar es Salaam based media editors that the company will cement its support in water provision, support towards local farmers and education.

"In the area of water provision, we are looking forward to implement more projects in addition to the existing 17 which collectively provide about two million people with free, clean and safe water," Ocitti

He said, SBL is supporting local farmers in the areas where it sources raw materials for beer production through provision of free seeds, field technical services and linking them to financial institutions for loans.

SBL currently sources over 70 percent of its raw materials used for its beer production locally with the current uptake of barley, maize and sorghum soaring to 17,000 metric tons per year and still growing.

In the area of education support to local communities, Ocitti said, under Killimo-Viwanda project, SBL has initiated a scholarship program to strengthen the exiting pool of agricultural experts in Local Raw Material growing regions. They are also in line with SBL's goal to increase its Local Raw Material Sourcing Program (LRMP).

"The sponsorship will be extended to 30 students pursuing diplomas in agriculture-based courses and the selected students must come from SBL's LRM areas or any area as long as they are ready and willing to work in LRM areas after their studies," he added.

SBL is the producer of the famous Serengeti Premium Lager as well as the super-brands-winning names including Serengeti Premium Lite, among others.

The second largest beer company in Tanzania whose beer brands account for over 20 percent of market share by volume is also home to world's renowned spirits such as Johnnie Walker Whisky, Smirnoff Vodka, Gordon's Gin, Captain Morgan Rum and Baileys Irish Cream.



SBL managing director, Mark Ocitti. Photo courtesy of SBL.

# TAZARA urged to seek freight traffic 'aggressively'

By Guardian Reporter

THE Tanzania-Zambia Railway Authority board chaired by Tanzania and Zambia's permanent secretaries responsible for transport has directed the railway's management to 'aggressively seek additional freight traffic in order to capture more businesses.

The railway should also take steps to improve safety, increase capacity accommodate more private operators, lower operating costs further and engage with the Tanzania Port Authority to offer 'joint total route costing so that rates offered to customers can be reduced.'

Meeting on January 13 to review the railway's financial performance, the board commended the management for improvements in income generated and traffic volumes over the past five

years, along with effective cost controls and an overall decrease in losses.

It noted the positive performance of an existing privately-operated open-access service, and called for agreements with additional private operators to optimize use of the infrastructure.

Last October the TAZARA Council of Ministers requested the preparation of a bankable business plan which would enable the governments to seek financing for the railway from outside investors.

TAZARA is a bi-national railway linking the Southern Africa Regional transport network to Eastern Africa's seaport of Dar es Salaam, offering both freight and passenger transportation services between and within Tanzania and Zambia.



# While African aviation flies high, S.Africa burdened by slow growth, SAA struggles

JOHANNESBURG

While the South African aviation sector has faced its share of hurdles - not least the uncertainty around the future of flag carrier SAA - the rest of Africa has seen a strong performance, according to the International Air Transport Association.

The industry body released its latest global passenger demand growth report earlier in January. African airlines' international passenger traffic climbed 4.9% in November, up from 2.3% growth recorded in October.

All regions in the world saw annual increases in passenger traffic. Passenger capacity among African airlines rose 2.8% in November compared to October and the load factor climbed 1.4 percentage points to 70.3%.

The report did not specify figures for South Africa - only that the performance of its aviation industry was impacted by certain "challenges".

When approached the industry body, which cannot comment on the business of individual airlines, declined to be more specific by what it meant by these "challenges" in the aviation sector in

South Africa.

However, an independent industry analyst, who prefers to remain anonymous, pointed Fin24 to the market uncertainty surrounding financially-distressed South African Airways (SAA) - which was placed in business rescue late in 2019 - as well as South Africa's flat-lining economy, as prominent negative factors that would likely have dragged down the combined overall performance of African airlines during the period under review.

Fin24 reported in December that 2019 African airlines continue to suffer due to high costs and are projected to show a loss of \$200m (about R2.9bn) in 2020, similar to the loss expected for 2019, according to IATA. At the time the industry body said this is largely due to government taxes and fees, as well as low load factors.

As for the cargo sector, IATA's recent update indicated that African airlines posted the fastest growth (13.7%) of any region in November 2019 with an increase in demand of 19.8% compared to the same period a year earlier. Its data shows strong trade and investment links between Africa and Asia, which contributed to the positive performance.

Global passenger traffic



results for November 2019 showed that demand rose 3.3% compared to the same month in 2018. This was unchanged from October's result and below the long-term trend. The global load factor climbed 1.1 percentage points to 81.1%, which, according to IATA was a record for any November.

Alexandre de Juniac, IATA's director general and CEO, says November's moderate result reflects the continuing influence of slower economic

activity, geopolitical tensions and other disruptions, including strikes in Europe.

"On the plus side, positive developments in the US-China trade talks, in tandem with signs of improving business confidence, could support an uptick in travel demand. In the meantime, continued modest capacity growth is helping to maximise asset efficiency," he said in a statement.

IATA's 2019 study on the economic value of air transport and tourism to South

Africa indicates that in 2017, 20.9 million passenger journeys were made to, from and within South Africa, with aviation and tourism representing \$9.4bn (about R140bn) in gross value added. It accounts for 3.2% of South Africa's GDP and supports 472 000 jobs. Over the next 20 years the South African market could more than double in size, according to the study.

IATA identified three areas where government action can enable aviation to continue its

growth trajectory and generate even more value in South Africa: Firstly, what the organisation deems to be harmful immigration policies need to be reduced. It also suggests that taxes and charges that are increasing the cost of doing business in the country need to be reduced.

Iata suggests SA undertakes a harmonised strategic approach to policy-making with transport and aviation central to economic planning.

## South Sudan to complete Juba power works come March 2020

JUBA

SOUTH Sudan's Ministry of Energy and Dams is working on the rollout of public/private partnerships to bring power to regional cities after the success of the Juba grid project.

\$289 million has been invested in a power plant run by Ezra Power that will provide 100 megawatts when fully completed. The plant is already active; The government is providing 100 kW of free power to all users to help low-income residents of Juba.

South Sudan's Ministry of Energy and Dams is working on the rollout of public-private partnerships to bring power to regional cities, based on the success of its partnership with Ezra Power in Juba.

The city grid became operational in 2019 and all homes and businesses will have access to power by March 2020, said Minister of Energy and Dams, Dr Dhiu Mathok Diing Wol in Juba.

Ezra has invested \$289 million in a thermal and solar power plant that will add 100 megawatts to the grid when fully completed. A new city grid has been constructed alongside the power generation plant.

"Electricity is a basic need and electricity is the engine of development. If you look into the criteria used to start development, you will see that electricity is at the top.

"If we aspire to be like other developing countries, we need to help generate electricity," said the Minister of Energy and Dams at the swearing-in ceremony of new Undersecretary Macham Mecham Angui on Thursday.

The ministry has acknowledged the high tariff price of the new power system and is working on reducing it as a priority. The first 100 kW of power is free, to help low-income residents.

Former Undersecretary and new Technical Advisor Eng. Lawrence Loku Moyu noted that the government had plans to expand the country's grid networks, "but these network expansions need human resources to develop; we need new engineers, technicians, to bring these expansions to South Sudan."

Moyu further highlighted that after gaining independence in 2011, South Sudan had not yet obtained feasibility studies done by the Khartoum government on the power sector. Purchasing these studies and implementing their recommendations is a strategic objective for the ministry.

"The new engineers that we are recruiting will have to study this program from the beginning. Getting these studies and implementing their recommendations is now a priority for us," he concluded.



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## Pan African telecom to launch 5G wholesale roaming service

JOHANNESBURG

LEADING pan-African telecoms group Liquid Telecom is to launch the first 5G wholesale roaming service in South Africa, Smart Money has been told.

In an email to this paper, Strive Masiyiwa, Chairman, Liquid Telecom said the wholesale network is available since earlier this month in all major South African cities. He asserted that the latest fifth generation of mobile internet connectivity will enable wholesale operators to create innovative, ultra-fast and scalable digital services for their customers.

The 5G wholesale network will also help accelerate the evolution of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) in South Africa. Reliable connectivity up to 10 times faster than 4G will allow businesses to harness trends such as the Internet of Things (IoT), robotics and artificial intelligence (AI) to innovate transformative new services, increase productivity and deliver more connected customer experiences.



Strive Masiyiwa of Chairman, Liquid Telecom South Africa. Photo Courtesy of Smart Money.

"This breakthrough 5G wholesale service will create innovation in every aspect of South African society and industry. For the first time, mobile network operators and ISPs will have open access to Liquid Telecom's new 5G mobile network;

The launch of the service also underscores Liquid Telecom's vision to bring high-speed connectivity to everyone," said Strive Masiyiwa, Chairman, Liquid Telecom.

Liquid Telecom will use its 3.5GHz spectrum asset to build the 5G network and provide nationwide 5G wholesale services to the market early in 2020.

One of the most profound implications of the new service will be its impact on South Africa's 4IR ambitions, where connected devices communicate with each other, automating the factory floor without the need for human intervention.

He said the fusion of 5G, IoT and other technologies

like AI and robotics will touch and transform every facet of business, creating entirely new ways of serving existing needs.

On his part Nic Rudnick, Group CEO said that the initiative opens a milestone movement for Liquid Telecom South Africa.

"Our wholesale operating partners can exploit our new ultra-fast 5G roaming network to build the next generation of communications and make innovation possible, anytime, anywhere;

5G will facilitate real-time remote collaboration, improved business efficiency and lower costs ultimately driving growth in the South African economy." Said Rudnick.

The launch of the 5G wholesale roaming service is another step towards Liquid Telecom 'Building Africa's digital future'. The organisation has been investing heavily across the continent where it operates Africa's largest independent fibre network, spanning almost 70,000km in length.

# Nearly half a billion people can't find decent work unemployment set to rise, says UN report on labour

By Guardian Reporter

After nine years of relatively stable global unemployment, the World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2020 puts the rising jobless numbers down to a stagnating global economy.

The number of people unemployed around the world stands at some 188 million. In addition, 165 million people

don't have enough paid work, and 120 million have either given up actively searching for work or otherwise lack access to the labour market.

"For millions of ordinary people, it's increasingly difficult to build better lives through work", said ILO Director-General Guy Ryder. "Persisting and substantial work-related inequalities and exclusion are

preventing them from finding decent work and better futures. That's an extremely serious finding that has profound and worrying implications for social cohesion."

Earlier in January, a UN report on the economy showed that developed countries are experiencing slow growth, and some African countries are stagnating. The consequence

is that not enough new jobs are being created to absorb the growing labour force as it enters the market. In addition, many African countries are experiencing a drop in real incomes and a rise in poverty.

Eradicating poverty is an important element of the UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development but, according to the ILO study, moderate or

extreme working poverty - defined as earning less than the equivalent of \$3.20 per day - is expected to edge up in 2020-21 in developing countries.

Inequalities related to gender, age and geographical location continue to plague the job market, with the report showing that these factors limit both individual opportunity and economic growth.

Some 267 million young people aged 15-24 are not in employment, education or training, and many more endure substandard working condition.

The rise in trade restrictions and protectionism, which could have a significant impact on employment, is seen as a potentially worrying trend, as is the significant drop in the share of national income in the form of

wages, compared to other forms of production.

The report's authors recommend that countries ensure that economic growth and development occurs in a way that leads to the reduction of poverty and better working conditions in low-income countries, through structural transformation, technological upgrading and diversification.



## WORLD

## Trump's Senate trial begins as a polarised America looks on

WASHINGTON

DONALD Trump's impeachment trial begins in earnest in the Senate on Tuesday in a rare use of the constitutional mechanism for ousting a president that has only deepened the polarization of U.S. voters ahead of presidential elections in November.

Democrats have called on the Senate to remove the Republican president from office, describing him as a danger to American democracy and national security. Trump and his lawyers have decried his impeachment, saying he has done nothing wrong and that Democrats are simply trying to stop him from being re-elected.

The televised trial is expected to hear opening arguments in the Republican-controlled Senate this week, and votes could take place as early as Tuesday on the rules governing the trial. This would include deciding whether the Senate should at a later date consider subpoenas for witnesses, such as Trump's former national security adviser John Bolton.

The chamber's 100 members must decide whether to convict Trump on charges approved by the Democratic-led House of Representatives on Dec. 18, accusing him of abuse of power and obstruction of Congress arising from his dealings with Ukraine.

"If the Senate permits President Trump to remain in office, he and future leaders would be emboldened to welcome, and even enlist, foreign interference in elections for years to

come," Democrats wrote in a pre-trial document over the weekend, making the case for his removal.

Trump's legal team, in their pre-trial brief on Monday, accused Democrats of using impeachment as a "partisan, election-year political tool" and said the Senate should move speedily to acquit him.

## ACQUITTAL ALMOST CERTAIN

The trial of a U.S. president should be a moment freighted with drama, huge political risk and the potential unraveling of a presidency. But financial markets have shrugged it off, and the revelations in the months-long impeachment investigation thus far have done little to boost anti-Trump sentiment among undecided voters or shift away moderate Republican voters.

Indeed, Trump has sought to rally his base with the impeachment issue, fund-raising off it and at raucous election rallies painting himself as the victim of a witch hunt.

Proceedings are due to start at around 1 p.m. (1800 GMT) and the trial is expected to continue six days a week, Monday through Saturday, until at least the end of January.

Opening arguments could last for four days and run well into the night, with a team of Democratic House lawmakers presenting the case against Trump, and the president's legal team responding.

This is only the third impeachment trial in U.S. history. No president has ever been removed through impeach-

ment, a mechanism the nation's founders - worried about a monarch on American soil - devised to oust a president for "treason, bribery or other high crimes and misdemeanors."

With a two-thirds majority needed in the Senate to remove Trump from office, he is almost certain to be acquitted by fellow Republicans in the chamber. But the impact of the trial on his re-election bid is far from clear.

Twelve Democrats are vying for their party's nomination to face Trump, including former Vice President Joe Biden.

Trump's request to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy last July to investigate Biden is at the heart of the impeachment case. Democrats accuse Trump of pressuring a vulnerable ally to interfere in U.S. elections at the expense of American national security. Trump's legal team says there was no pressure and that the Democrats' case is based on hearsay.

## TRUMP SUPPORT FIRM

Televised congressional testimony from a parade of current and former officials who spoke of a coordinated effort to pressure Ukraine to investigate Biden has done little to change support for and against Trump's impeachment. Reuters/Ipsos polling since the inquiry began in September shows Democrats and Republicans responding largely along party lines.

According to a Reuters/Ipsos opinion poll conducted Jan. 13-14, 39% of U.S. adults approved of Trump's job performance, while 56% disapproved. It also found that 45% of respondents said Trump should be removed from office, while 31% said the impeachment charges should be dismissed.

As the impeachment drama plays out, it has consumed much of Trump's attention even as the United States faces a series of international

challenges.

These include tensions with Iran that nearly boiled over into open war, an on-again, off-again trade war with China, Trump's so-far failed outreach to North Korea, concerns about a repeat of Russian interference in a U.S. election and strains with traditional allies in Europe and elsewhere.

Trump will be at the annual gathering of world business leaders in Davos, Switzerland on Tuesday to project an air of business as usual and tout the strength of the U.S. economy.

## 'OPEN WAR'

Trump, 73, has gone through a succession of controversies since taking office in January 2017.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi launched the impeachment inquiry in September. She had previously resisted pressure from her party's left flank to take the step after then Special Counsel Robert Mueller spelled out instances in which Trump sought to impede the federal inquiry that documented 2016 Russian election interference to boost Trump's candidacy but found insufficient evidence of a criminal conspiracy.

A pivotal event in the impeachment case is Trump's July 25 call to Zelenskyy asking Ukraine's president to investigate Biden and his son Hunter, as well as a discredited theory that Ukraine, not Russia, meddled in the 2016 election.

Hunter Biden had joined the board of Ukrainian energy company Burisma while his father was vice president. Trump has accused the Bidens of corruption without offering evidence. They have denied wrongdoing.

Democrats said Trump abused his power by initially withholding \$391 million in Ukraine security aid intended to combat Russia-backed separatists, and a coveted White House meeting for Zelenskyy, to pressure Ukraine to announce the investigations into the Bidens.

Agencies



President Donald Trump

## Xi orders resolute efforts to curb virus spread

BEIJING

PRESIDENT Xi Jinping has ordered resolute efforts to curb the spread of the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) that caused cases of pneumonia.

Instructing on the work related to the pneumonia situation, Xi (pictured), also general secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee and chairman of the Central Military Commission, stressed putting people's safety and health as the top priority.

As of 6 p.m. Monday, a total of 224 cases of pneumonia caused by the novel coronavirus had been reported in China. Of them, 217 had been confirmed and 7 remained suspected.

Overseas, one case has been confirmed in Japan, two in Thailand, and one in the Republic of Korea.

Xi ordered heightened attention and all-out prevention and control efforts.

The prevention and control work is crucial at the moment due to the large passenger flows during the Spring Festival holiday, Xi said.

The Party committees and governments at all levels must put people's safety and health as the top priority and take effective measures to curb the spread of the virus, he said.

Xi ordered all-out efforts to treat patients, identify the causes of the virus infection and spread at an earlier date, strengthen monitoring and standardize treatment procedures.

Xi spoke of the need for the timely release of information and the deepening of international cooperation.

He also stressed the necessity of informing the public of relevant policies to safeguard social stability and ensure people have a peaceful and auspicious Chinese New Year festival.

Premier Li Keqiang, also a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, also instructed related government departments and localities to improve response plans and spare no effort in prevention and control in this regard.

He also demanded better communication and coordination with the World Health Organization, related countries, as well as Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan to join efforts to curb the spread of the virus.

A State Council joint task force on Monday held a teleconference to make an overall arrangement for prevention and control of the virus outbreak. The National Health Commission has set up a leading group to cope with the situation and give guidance in local response efforts.

Xinhua



## Iran seeks help reading downed plane's black boxes in new standoff

DUBAI

IRAN said it had asked the U.S. and French authorities for equipment to download information from black boxes on a downed Ukrainian airliner, potentially angering countries which want the recorders analyzed abroad.

Canada, 57 of whose citizens were among the 176 people killed in the crash, has said France should handle the flight data and voice recorders as one of the few nations with the capability. Kiev wants the recorders sent to Ukraine.

The U.S.-built Boeing 737 flown by Ukraine International Airlines was shot down in error on Jan. 8.

Tehran, already embroiled in a long-running standoff with the United States over its nuclear program that briefly erupted into tit-for-tat military strikes this month, has given mixed signals about whether it would hand over the recorders.

An Iranian aviation official had said on Saturday the black boxes would be sent to Ukraine, only to backtrack in comments reported a day later, saying they would be analyzed at home.

A further delay in sending them abroad is likely to increase interna-

tional pressure on Iran, whose military has said it shot the plane down by mistake while on high alert in the tense hours after Iran fired missiles at U.S. targets in Iraq.

Iran, which took several days to acknowledge its role in bringing down the plane and faced street protests at home as a result, launched its missiles at U.S. targets in response to a U.S. drone strike that killed a top Iranian commander on Jan. 3.

"If the appropriate supplies and equipment are provided, the information can be taken out and reconstructed in a short period of time," Iran's Civil Aviation Organization said in its second preliminary report on the disaster released late on Monday.

Its initial report was released just 24 hours after the incident, before Iran's military acknowledged its role.

A list of equipment Iran needs has been sent to French accident agency BEA and the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board, the Iranian aviation body said.

"Until now, these countries have not given a positive response to sending the equipment to (Iran)," it said. It said two surface-to-air TOR-MI missiles



General view of the debris of the Ukraine International Airlines, flight PS752, Boeing 737-800 plane that crashed after take-off from Iran's Imam Khomeini airport, on the outskirts of Tehran, Iran January 8, 2020 is seen in this screen grab obtained from a social media video via REUTERS

had been launched minutes after the Ukrainian plane took off from Tehran.

## 'MAXIMUM PRESSURE'

Iran's aviation body said in its report it did not have equipment needed to download information from the model of recorders on the three-year-old Boeing 737.

Iran has for years faced U.S. sanctions that limited its ability to purchase modern planes and buy products with U.S. technology. Many passenger planes used in Iran are decades old.

Under Tehran's 2015 nuclear agreement with world pow-

ers, Iran received sanctions relief in return for curbing its nuclear work. But Washington reimposed U.S. sanctions after withdrawing from the pact in 2018, a move that led to the steady escalation of tension in recent months between the United States and Iran.

Responding to U.S. President Donald Trump's "maximum pressure" campaign designed to shut off Iran's oil exports, Tehran has scaled back its commitments to the nuclear accord.

After Iran's latest move this month to scrap limits on uranium enrichment, a process that can make material for nuclear warheads although Tehran denies any such aim, Britain, France and Germany triggered the nuclear pact's dispute mechanism.

Launching the mechanism starts a diplomatic process that could lead to reimposing U.N. sanctions on Iran.

European capitals say they want to save the deal but have also suggested it may be time for a broader pact, in line with Trump's call for a deal that would go beyond Iran's nuclear work and include its missile program and activities in the region.

Iran says it will not negotiate with sanctions in place.

Agencies

## Kremlin says unaware of plans to give Ukrainian, Belarusian regions right to join Russia

MOSCOW

THERE is no discussion of giving the regions of Ukraine and Belarus the right to join Russia through constitutional amendments, Russian Presidential Spokesman Dmitry Peskov said, commenting on media reports.

"I haven't heard about such ideas so I cannot not say anything. I haven't heard how it was phrased. On the whole, there has been no discussion of the matter so far. This is the first time I hear about it," he said.

On January 15, the Russian president signed an order to create a task force to hammer out constitutional amendments. The task force consists of 75 members, including politicians, lawmakers, researchers and public figures.

Head of the Federation Council (the upper house of parliament) Committee on Constitutional Legislation and State Building Andrei Klishas, Head of the State Duma Statehood and Constitutional Legislation Committee Pavel Krasheninnikov and Director of the Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law under the Government of the Russian Federation Taliya Habrieva co-chair the task force.

On Monday, the president submitted a bill on constitutional amendments to the State Duma. The bill comprises the amendments that Putin proposed in his State of the Nation Address to the Federal Assembly on January 15.

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## China-Myanmar educational initiative builds schools for Myanmar, lifts local education environment

EIGHTEEN China-aided schools have been built in Myanmar thanks to a China-Myanmar educational initiative aiming at improving Myanmar's education environment.

The initiative, named "Friends of Silk Road", was jointly launched by the China Foundation for Peace and Development (CFPD) and the Myanmar Alinyang (Brightness) Foundation (MAF) in 2015.

All the schools were funded by China and constructed by the Myanmar side. The Nyaung Thone Bin village school is one of them.

Located in Htantabin township, the school is 70 kilometers away from downtown Yangon. Before it was renovated, the school was only half the size of a football field enclosed by bamboo fences. Three bungalows and a well constructed by the local government-

that was all facility the school had.

Because there were not enough classrooms, students of senior grades had to have classes in a thatched shed where no wall was built to prevent the wind, introduced Mrs. Thi hi Aung, school master of Nyaung Thone Bin Village school.

Annoyed by mosquito, insects, snake and rat bites, the students had to also endure puddles in the "classroom" that could even cover their ankles when it rained, she said.

In 2017, the CFPD aided ten standard teaching buildings to 10 rural schools, including the Nyaung Thone Bin village school.

Built with bathrooms and electric supply, these buildings meet the standards set by Myanmar's Ministry of Education, and all the old teaching buildings of these schools were reno-

vated.

In January, 2019, the Nyaung Thone Bin village school was completed and delivered. The three classrooms, covering an area of more than 100 square meters, could accommodate 140 students, enabling all the students from senior grades to move to new classrooms.

The school had 265 students - a number it was hardly able to handle, but now it accepts 313 after the new school building was put into use, said Thi hi Aung.

In the past, students from surrounding villages went to school by boat, and some had to wade through water and mud, said Mr. Aye Htun, head of the village, pointing to pictures of how the students used to go to school.

"Now, with the help of our Chinese friends, children in my village and sur-

rounding villages have easier access to education," said the village head.

About 70 percent of Myanmar's population lives in the rural areas, and they have extremely insufficient education resources, said Mr. Thein Ye, Former Parliamentarian of Myanmar, who added that the "Friends of Silk Road" initiative has significantly improved the conditions of rural schools in Myanmar.

Thanks to the close cooperation between China and Myanmar, the "Friends of Silk Road" initiative has been on smooth progress in recent years, providing rich education resources for local schools.

"For Myanmar to develop its rural areas, the first thing is to develop education well. We hope to expand cooperation with our Chinese friends and we will always remember the "Pauk-

phaw" (fraternal) friendship between our two countries," said Thein Ye.

"In rural Myanmar, a school is a symbol of hope. The expectations of the parents, the dreams of the students, the development of the region, and the future of the country all fall on schools," said Nay Lin, chairman of the MAF. "Me and my Chinese colleagues are working on these problems, as both software and hardware are needed to achieve rural educational development," the MAF chairman added.

The "Friends of Silk Road" initiative has received strong support from the Myanmar government at various levels and been welcomed by people in the country since it was launched.

Xu Jianguo, general secretary of the CFPD, said the Myanmar students are inheritors and witnesses of China-Myanmar friendship as they study in the

classrooms built with Chinese investment, adding that the CFPD will do its best to forge closer China-Myanmar people-to-people bond.

The "Friends of Silk Road" initiative is just one project under the Chinese aid for Myanmar education. At present, China and Myanmar are conducting multi-layer education cooperation, which will not only benefit the people of Myanmar, but also consolidate the foundation of China-Myanmar friendship.

Myo Thein Gyi, Myanmar's Union Minister for Education expressed his hope that the two countries could enhance education cooperation so as to cultivate more talents for co-construction of the Belt and Road Initiative and the China-Myanmar Economic Corridor.

People's Daily





## 'Paukphaw' friendship shines with new luster

CHINESE President Xi Jinping's visit to Myanmar from Friday to Saturday brought the China-Myanmar comprehensive and strategic partnership to a new level, said U Sein Win Aung, Chairman of Myanmar-China Friendship Association.

The year 2020 marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Myanmar. In recent years, Myanmar has actively constructed the Belt and Road together with China and facilitated the China-Myanmar Economic Corridor (CMEC), boosting the employment and economic development along the route and improving the living standard of the local people, said U Sein Win Aung.

China and Myanmar are close neighbors enjoying a deep bond of cultural and people-to-people affinity, the chairman noted, adding that such a bond of friendship is particularly evident at the crucial moment.

He cited the example that in 2015, persistent heavy rain struck certain parts of Myanmar, causing serious flood damage, many casualties and property loss.

In such a crisis situation, the Chinese government dispatched rescue workers to Myanmar, provided relief for the flood-stricken areas and helped the Burmese people finally defeat the natural disaster, said U Sein Win Aung.

According to him, China and Myanmar are determined to improve relations based on mutual respect, mutual trust and mutual assistance and have conducted comprehensive cooperation in a wide range of areas.

China has already become the largest trading partner and most important investment partner of Myanmar. In recent years, a series of large-scale cooperation projects have landed in Myanmar

under the continued advances in the Belt and Road Initiative, including the vibrant CMEC.

China has provided advanced technologies and funds for Myanmar to develop the agriculture, build the infrastructure, and exploit the natural resources, improving the lives of the local people and promoting the economic and social development of Myanmar.

U Sein Win Aung said Xi's visit to Myanmar will strengthen the bilateral cooperation under the framework of the Belt and Road.

He came to China in 2001 as the Myanmar ambassador to China in 2001. When he once again arrived in China last year, he was amazed by the great changes in the country.

He pointed out that Myanmar needs to take the express train of China's development by jointly building the Belt and Road, with the development channel under construction that connects Yunnan Province of China with Kyaukpau, a major town in Rakhine state, western Myanmar, as a good example.

By working together to build the Belt and Road, China hopes to promote the economic growth in the countries along the route like Myanmar and achieve win-win results.

China and Myanmar have formed a lasting "Paukphaw" (fraternal) friendship with expanding non-governmental exchanges.

The Myanmar-China Friendship Association has actively facilitated the bilateral cooperation concerning a wide range of areas since it was established, said U Sein Win Aung, adding that the organization will take the opportunity of Xi's visit and work harder to deepen the exchanges between China and Myanmar and bring out new luster to the "Paukphaw" friendship.

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## 1 in 3 adolescent girls from poorest households illiterate - UNICEF

UNITED NATIONS

NEARLY one in three adolescent girls from the poorest households around the world has never been to school, according to a paper released Monday by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

The paper, entitled "Addressing the learning crisis: an urgent need to better finance education for the poorest children," highlights major disparities in the distribution of public education spending and calls for a more equal allocation of resources.

It says that poverty, discrimination due to gender, disability, ethnic origin or language of instruction, physical distance from schools and poor infrastructure are among the obstacles that continue to prevent the poorest children from accessing quality education.



UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore

With data from 42 countries, the paper finds that education for children from the richest 20 percent of households are allocated nearly double the amount of education funding than children from the poorest 20 percent of households.

UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore said that countries everywhere are "failing the world's poorest children, and in doing so, failing themselves."

As long as public education spending is disproportionately skewed towards children from the richest households, the poorest will have little hope of escaping poverty, learning the skills they need to compete and succeed in today's world, and contributing to their countries' economies, Fore added.

According to the report, 10 countries across Africa account for the highest disparities in education spending, with four times as much funding allocated to the richest children compared with the poorest.

Barbados, Denmark, Ireland, Norway and Sweden are the only countries included in the analysis that distribute education funding equally between the richest and poorest quintiles.

Xinhua

## Prince Harry arrives in Canada to prepare for non-royal life

BRITAIN'S Prince Harry has arrived in Canada to join his wife Meghan as the couple prepare for a new life after agreeing to stop using their royal titles as part of a deal to end a crisis in the Windsor family.

Harry was shown arriving on Vancouver Island by Sky News, just days after reaching an arrangement with Queen Elizabeth and senior royals that will see him and his wife Meghan leave behind their royal roles to seek an independent future.

Buckingham Palace and the queen said on Saturday that Harry and Meghan would no longer be working members of the royal family. They would not use their "Royal Highness" titles and would pay their own way in life, freeing them to forge a new future in Canada and the United States.

Harry has admitted he had not wanted to step away entirely from his royal life and his military appointments, but said there was no other option.

"It brings me great sadness that it has come to this," he said on Sunday.

American actress Meghan returned to Canada on Jan. 10 to be reunited with baby son Archie, and Harry flew out late on Monday to join her.

The Duke and Duchess of Sussex, the couple's formal title which they will continue to use, spent six weeks in Canada at the end of last year before returning to Britain.

Earlier this month, they shocked the royal family by publicly announcing they wanted more independence, leaving the other senior members hurt and disappointed, according to royal sources.

The new arrangement, agreed following a summit held by the queen at her Sandringham estate and attended by Harry's father and heir-to-the throne Prince Charles and elder brother Prince William, will come into effect this Spring.

Harry is expected to carry out some official engagements before then although it is not clear whether Meghan will be involved. She was pictured in the Sun newspaper on Tuesday, walking her dogs in a park on Vancouver Island close to where the couple have been staying in a secluded house.

In their new life, the couple will no longer receive public money and will repay the cost of refurbishing their British home in Windsor, which official figures show amounted to 2.4 million pounds (\$3 million).

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But certain details, such as whether the couple could continue to use the "Sussex Royal" title for their website

and branding and their future security arrangements, have either not been finalised or publicly revealed.

Asked about who would pay for their protection, justice minister Robert Buckland said there was an issue about how public money was spent.

"Quite clearly there have already been arrangements made about how that family are going to live and how they are going to be able to get private income but there clearly has to be a line of delineation," he told Sky News.

"I think we all want a family like that to be safe, but at the same time I think what really needs to happen is they need to understand how their lifestyle is to adapt and what their needs might be."

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## Russia to develop test for new coronavirus in February

MOSCOW

THE Russian Health Ministry's Center for Strategic Planning and Management of Medical and Biological Health Risks will complete next month its work on developing a snap test for detecting new coronavirus 2019-nCoV that has caused the outbreak of pneumonia in China, Deputy Health Minister Oleg Salagai said on Tuesday.

"In February, the Center for Strategic Planning and Management of Medical

and Biological Health Risks will finish its work on creating a snap test for detecting a new coronavirus, which has been widely discussed in mass media.

This is a good example of strategy aimed at supporting priority scientific research that the ministry is using," Salagai said in his Telegram channel.

The deputy health minister recalled that Russia had created a domestic vaccine against Ebola virus. This was the world's first officially registered vaccine of this level.

On December 31, the Chinese authorities informed the World Health Organization about the outbreak of a new type of pneumonia in the city of Wuhan in central China.

On January 7, Chinese specialists determined the virus behind the infection - coronavirus 2019-nCoV. All suspected cases of new pneumonia were tested for the coronavirus.

According to latest reports, 224 people were infected with the new coronavirus in China's Wuhan, Beijing,

## Chinese TV series go viral in Myanmar

CHINESE films and TV series are gaining popularity in Myanmar. The TV series dubbed into Burmese, including A Dream of Red Mansions, Journey to the West, Jin Tailang's Happy Life and Marriage Battle, have been broadcasted in the Southeast Asian country. This demonstrates closer cultural affinity between the two countries and a new chapter of friendship between the two peoples.

Last August, a well-known Chinese classic TV series A Dream of Red Mansions dubbed into Burmese started to be broadcasted in Myanmar. The TV series was first screened in China in 1987.

The broadcasting of the TV series vividly demonstrated the close cultural ties and achievements in cultural cooperation between China and Myanmar, said Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Chen Hai.

The Chinese classic TV series could enrich TV programs of Myanmar Radio and Television (MRTV) and deepen friendship and understanding between the two peoples, Myanmar Minister of Information Pe Myint noted.

After the introduction, a launching ceremony for Chinese TV series Journey to the West and Romance of the Three Kingdoms dubbed into Burmese was held in Yangon, which had thrilled numerous fans in the country.

In 2013, under the promotion and coordination by China's National Radio and Television Administration, Jin Tailang's Happy Life in Burmese was aired during prime time on the MRTV. Without language barriers, the Chinese TV drama marked an annual event for China-Myanmar cultural exchanges.

After that, translation and dubbing of Chinese TV series had been accelerated in Myanmar. Romance of Our Parents was aired in 2014 in Myanmar and Turbulence of the Mu Clan in 2015.

In 2016, China Radio International established a film and TV translation base in Myanmar, which not only boosted dubbing of Chinese films and TV series in the country on a regular basis, but also provided a new platform for in-depth cooperation between the two countries' mainstream media.

The broadcasting of excellent Chinese TV series with contemporary themes on the MRTV was to let people of Myanmar learn about China's social status and development, the MRTV Director-General U Myint Htwe said.

In recent years, Chinese TV shows are being extensively broadcasted in Myanmar as their popularity increases in the process of growing affinity between the two peoples.

On Aug. 8, 2017, "China Hour", a TV program operated by China International Television Corporation, was aired in Myanmar. It became the first Chinese TV program regularly aired on a main channel of the MRTV. Source:

People's Daily

## Egypt not likely to be impacted by EastMed pipeline project - analysts

CAIRO

THE Eastern Mediterranean (EastMed) pipeline agreement signed by Cyprus, Greece and Israel recently has raised questions about its impact on Egypt that is striving to become a regional hub for trade and distribution of liquified gas to Europe.

Medhat Youssef, former chairman of Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation, denied that the EastMed gas pipeline will have any impact on Egypt as a hub for energy trade and exchange in the region.

"Energy-hungry Europe, which is currently largely dependent on supplies from Rus-

sia and the Caucasus region, needs many sources to meet its large and increasing demands," Youssef told Xinhua.

The EastMed pipeline is scheduled to run across the Mediterranean Sea from the gas reserves which have been found off Israel in recent years to Crete Island, western Greece and then to Italy.

"The project, with a rough budget of 6 billion U.S. dollars, is expected to satisfy only five percent of the European Union's natural gas needs after five years," Youssef said, adding that a third of the quantity is secured from Russia and the rest comes from other countries.

Still, the project is also

fraught with political and logistical complexities amid regional energy race, he added.

Technically, the EastMed pipeline will be costly because the digging should be done at 3,000 meters deep in the sea and it will take a long time to put it into operation, he explained.

However, Egypt has a strategic geographic location and well-established energy infrastructure with two gas liquidation stations in Idku and Damietta.

A series of gas fields have been discovered in Egypt during the past few years, the largest of which is the Zohr field in the Mediterranean.

Zohr field, which brought Egypt back to the export market after two uprisings that caused several years of instability, has an estimated 30 trillion cubic feet of reserve and its productions stood at 2.7 billion cubic feet per day at the end of 2019.

"Compared to other countries, Egypt provides most suitable and cheapest facilities to transfer gas to the eastern Mediterranean countries," the oil expert said, explaining that the gas from Israel and Cyprus will also pass through the gas liquefaction stations in Egypt.

He hailed the infrastructure of Egypt's gas pipelines that are extended to connect Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Israel.

On Jan. 14, 2019, Egypt launched the East Mediterranean Gas Forum with the participation of seven countries to create a regional gas market, cut infrastructure costs and offer competitive prices.

Gas reserve in the region is estimated at 122 trillion cubic feet, according to Egyptian official statistics.

On Sept. 19, 2018, Egypt and Cyprus signed an agreement to construct an undersea pipeline worth of 1 billion U.S. dollars, linking Cyprus' Aphrodite gas field to Egypt's gas liquidation stations.

On Jan. 15, Egypt started importing natural gas from Israel under a 15-billion U.S. dollar

deal. According to official statistics in 2019, Egypt produces 7.2 billion cubic meters of natural gas and 630,000 barrels of crude oil per day.

The country's consumption of oil products has been reduced from 39 million tons in 2015-2016 to 31 million tons in 2018-2019 after the government adopted a new reform program for pricing oil products.

Galal al-Qalyoubi, professor of oil and energy engineering of American University in Cairo, said that the seven participating countries of the East Mediterranean Gas Forum "share a vision of regional integration that by all means will serve Egypt as an

energy regional hub."

Egypt announced in 2018 that it had achieved self-sufficiency in natural gas which means that the gas imported from Israel and Cyprus "will be allocated for export to global markets via Egypt," al-Qalyoubi told Xinhua.

He pointed out that Europe is thirsty for energy and its needs are much more than the production of Israel and Cyprus, which will keep Egypt's role in the regional energy equation.

Unlike Israel and Cyprus that depend on direct gas exploration and trading, Egypt has opened the markets to receive other countries' production and resell it as a mediator, he noted.

Xinhua

## SPORT



Actress Jacqueline Wolper (L), Bongo Flava artiste Dully Sykes (2nd L), MultiChoice Tanzania's Head of Marketing Department, Ronald Shelukindo (2nd R), and MultiChoice Tanzania's Head of Customer Value Management, Hilda Nakajumo, pictured at a launch of DStv's special offer dubbed 'Tia kitu pata Kitu' in Dar es Salaam yesterday. The offer will see a DStv customer move to a costlier package after he or she had paid for his or her respective package. The offer has been presented to Bomba, Family, Compact and Compact plus packages' customers. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT

## DStv introduces new offer to customers

BY GUARDIAN REPORTER

MULTICHOICE Tanzania has introduced a new unique offer to the firm's customers, in which the latter will be awarded an additional package once they pay for their respective packages.

The offer comes hot on heels of a significant decrease in the costs for the DStv packages the firm had presented.

The offer dubbed 'Kitu juu ya Kitu' has officially been rolled out, with DStv customers receiving an additional package after they had paid for their packages.

The customers will thus access channels, which are available in costlier packages.

MultiChoice Tanzania's Head of Customer Value Management, Hilda Nakajumo, noted the offer has been presented to all DStv customers, from the customers who pay for Bomba package to those who access Compact Plus.

"This offer has been presented to our customers that pay for Bomba package and those who pay for Compact Plus. Every customer that pays his or her package will start accessing another package within 48 hours," she disclosed.

She said the Bomba package customer that pays 19,000/-, will for example, move to the Family package worth 29,000/- without extra payment.

Hilda disclosed MultiChoice Tanzania has always been offering DStv customers the best entertainment with low price and that is why the firm, at the end of last year, reduced the packages' prices by 36 per cent.

"Presenting with the best entertainment with low price is truly crucial for our strategies. We want to see to it Tanzanians access entertainment, sports, films, news and other programs," she added.

"With this offer we believe our customers will have every reason to enjoy the new year

given they will be presented with 'kitu juu ya kitu!' A customer simply needs to pay for his or her package and enjoy this offer."

MultiChoice Tanzania's Head Marketing Department Ronald Shelukindo disclosed the offer is unique, pointing out soccer enthusiasts that access Family package worth 29,000/-, for example, will be moved to Compact package worth 44,000/- after he had paid for his package and watch top soccer leagues in the world.

The offer will see the customer watch all English Premier League, La Liga as well as Serie A games.

Famous artiste Dully Sykes that attended the offer's launch noted he is happy to see DStv present the offer to its customers.

He expressed his gratitude to the firm for using domestic artistes to grace the firm's activities.

"DStv Tanzania have always been using domestic artistes, when it comes to gracing the former's activities. I feel proud to work with DStv," Dully Sykes noted.

The offer operates as per the MultiChoice's regulations and will take place up to the end of February.

The offer covers customers who have paid for their packages.

DStv Premium customer will not be presented with the because they are accessing a top package.

The package's customers also get DStv's other offer, which gives them opportunity for paying reduced price in such business places like Serena Hotel, Nakiete Pharmacy Mikocheni, S. H. Amon, Spurs Restaurant Masaki and other business places in the country.

VIP customers are MultiChoice's other customer who are not going to access the offer. MultiChoice Tanzania's staff, business accounts, accounts that have been paid for three months and accounts paid for a year will also not access the offer.

## Whither Sports Documentaries



Dar es Salaam wheelchair basketball players take part in drills at JMK Youth Park courts in the city recently. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

BY CORRESPONDENT LLOYD ELIPOKEA

THERE is no question that as the stature of domestic sports has grown in prominence, the media on the home front has been swift to respond to this seemingly recession-proof and lucrative sector of the country's economy.

Indeed, these days, brand new roles in sports journalism have popped up such as that of sports analyst, for one, and just in general, the whole genre of sports journalism has become an infinitely more specialized and for the lack of a proper word, analytical occupation in stark contrast to the days of yore here in the country.

Generally, then, this writer is of the conviction that there are few complaints over how the standing of sports in our society has dramatically improved.

That being said, in the interests of constructive criticism, one wonders why few documentaries if arguably any

at all, have been made about the ferociously contested realm of domestic sports in Tanzania during the last few decades.

Interestingly, documentaries about matters political and also the towering figures of our history as a country have been made at a stunningly more prolific rate than documentaries about the national sports landscape.

This is a crying shame as there are seemingly a ceaseless number of sporting achievements and other major talking points which could all serve as the ideal subject matter for a riveting and gripping sports documentary about the domestic sporting patch.

In fact, one need look no further than last year in order to find a sporting narrative of epic proportions which is almost begging for a would-be documentary maker to turn it into a production which is a veritable gem.

Indeed, the aforesaid wondrous story refers to the

Taifa Stars' qualification for the AFCON finals in the famous 'Land of the Pharaohs' Egypt.

The striking element about the Taifa Stars' achievement last year was the jaw-slackening fact that it marked the first time that the Stars had successfully progressed to the enormously esteemed AFCON finals since way back in 1980.

Now, wouldn't this achievement be an enthralling account if it were transformed into a skillfully produced documentary?

To be fair to my fellow countrymen, though, the rest of the continent don't particularly have a glowing record on producing sports documentaries either, except that is for South Africa.

Indeed, the fact that the Ghanaian film industry 'Ghallywood' and the Nigerian film industry 'Nollywood' have such a low output where the production of sports documentaries is concerned counts as something of a

surprise.

It is especially astonishing for this writer particularly when one remembers some of the proudest and laudatory moments in Nigerian and Ghanaian sporting history.

In the hands of a talented and creative documentary maker, the heroic strivings of Nigeria's 'Flying Eagles' at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games when the Eagles won the gold medal for football and the mighty efforts of the Ghana's national U-17 football team nicknamed 'Black Satellites' at the FIFA U-17 World Cup in 1991 when the Satellites hoisted aloft the trophy in victory are just two examples of numerous other impeccable feats which could easily be transformed into memorable sports documentaries.

Thus, seeing as we are still at the beginning of the year, more or less, one hopes that captivating sports documentaries will be filmed both inside and beyond the country this year.



Bongo Flava artiste, Selemani Jabir, aka 'Msaga Sumu' (C), pictured with some of Mjipya Secondary School's students after he had performed at the learning center's inauguration in Morogoro yesterday. Minister of State in the President's Office (Regional Administration and Local Government), Selemani Jafo, inaugurated the school. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL SIKAPUNDWA



Kilimanjaro Premium Lager Brand Manager, Pamela Kikuli, speaks at the launch of the Kilimanjaro Marathon 2020 in Moshi, Kilimanjaro last weekend. PHOTO: GUARDIAN CORRESPONDENT

## Nadal not focused on Federer's Grand Slam record

MELBOURNE

RAFA Nadal would love to add more silverware to a bursting trophy cabinet at the end of the Australian Open but says beating Roger Federer's record of 20 Grand Slam titles would probably not make him any happier in the long run.

Top seed Nadal, with 19 major titles one short of Federer's mark, opened his campaign at Melbourne Park in

style on Tuesday, hammering unseeded Bolivian Hugo Dellien 6-2 6-3 6-0 at a sunbathed Rod Laver Arena.

At 33, the reigning French and U.S. Open champion remains at the top of his game and even if he fails to win a 20th Grand Slam in Melbourne he will be heavily backed to do it at Roland Garros, where he has triumphed 12 times in the last 15 editions.

Nadal, however, said he was only

focused on Wednesday's practice before his next match.

"If I am able to reach my highest level, that's the thing that I have to worry about," Nadal told reporters after setting up a clash with either Federico Delbonis or Joao Sousa.

"If I am able to play at my highest level, normally I am able to produce some good chances. If not, impossible. "So, I don't care about 20 or 15

or 16 (Grand Slam titles). I just care about trying to keep going, keep enjoying my tennis career.

"It's not like 20 is the number that I need to reach. If I reach 20, fantastic. If I reach 21, better. If I reach 19, super happy about all the things that I did in my tennis career, no?"

"I don't think in the future ... achieving 21 Grand Slams, for example, I'm going to be happier than if I

(have) 19 in 10 years."

Nadal claimed his only Australian Open title in 2009, when he beat Federer in the final and left the Swiss in tears. He has since lost four times in the Melbourne title-decider, including last year's straight sets trouncing by Novak Djokovic and the 2017 final against Federer.

Djokovic, third on the men's all-time list with 16 Grand Slam trophies,

also had Nadal's measure in the 2012 final, a nearly six-hour epic, but the Spaniard was unlucky to suffer an injury in the 2014 decider against Stan Wawrinka.

"I went through a couple of things, more than in New York honestly," Nadal, a four-times U.S. Open champion, said when asked about his relatively lean Australian Open record.

REUTERS

## Mbappe dreams of 'Champions League, Euro 2020 and Olympic treble'

BAGNOLET, FRANCE

KYLIAN Mbappe says he is dreaming of helping Paris Saint-Germain win a first Champions League trophy this year, as well as leading France to the title at Euro 2020 and the Olympic Games in Tokyo.

The 21-year-old PSG and France star, a World Cup winner in 2018, was asked what was on his wish list for the new year while launching his charity in the Paris suburbs on Monday.

"It would be a treble of Champions League, European Championship and Olympic Games. That wouldn't be bad," said Mbappe, with a smile.

"That seems unattainable for the time being but I'm going to make sure I fulfil this dream. It would be a proud moment to be able to win the first European title for PSG and for our country to keep winning."

Mbappe's charity, "Inspired by KM", was set up to help 98 children

-- a nod to his birth year -- between the ages of nine and 16 from various social backgrounds to accomplish "their dreams".

Last month, Mbappe put himself forward for the French team at the Tokyo Olympics, while adding he would not want to fight his club over taking part in Japan.

"Playing in the Olympics, I don't control everything," he told France Football magazine. "Of course I want to go, but if my club, which is my employer, doesn't want me to go, I won't force a clash."

He said he would hold talks with PSG sporting director Leonardo, who is said to be hesitant to allow Mbappe to play at the Olympics for fears over his fitness.

Euro 2020 will be held across 12 different cities over the continent from June 12 to July 12, with the men's Olympic football tournament scheduled for July 23 to August 8.

AFP

## Man United's recruitment policy slammed

LONDON

MANCHESTER United's recruitment policy has been hammered by their former legendary player and current Sky Sports pundit Gary Neville who believes they need "five or six players" to become competitive.

Following United's 2-0 defeat at Liverpool on Sunday, Neville responded by lashing out at the ownership of the club and issued a thinly-veiled attack on executive chairman Ed Woodward and the hierarchy.

Speaking to our partners Sky Sports, Neville let loose as the gulf in class between United's performance and Liverpool's was stark, aside from the spirit that Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's side showed throughout.

"Manchester United have to react fast. They need to make good decisions," Neville said. "Over the last few years there is a frustration that Manchester United have been U-turning all over the place when it comes to strategy. They have made some terrible investments in terms of recruitment and it is all coming home to roost. This is going to get bad. The next six months are going to be really difficult."

When you look at the more recent signings of Alexis Sanchez, Eric Bailly and Diogo Dalot, how much have they added to the team? With Marcus Rashford and Paul Pogba out injured, for such an expensive assembled squad there really isn't much depth.

Neville is right, there has been no real plan in place with recruitment because they've had four very different managers (David Moyes, Louis Van Gaal, Jose Mourinho and now Solskjaer) in the past six years and they have no sporting director or technical director making the recruitment decisions.

(Agencies)

## Guardiola on Man City players' future: I'm watching you

LONDON

MANCHESTER City manager Pep Guardiola will give his players until the end of the season to prove they have what it takes to wrestle the Premier League title back from presumptive winners Liverpool.

Guardiola has already conceded that Jurgen's Klopp's side will lift the trophy after opening up a 16-point gap at the top. And as he turns his attention to getting it back, the City boss has admitted every member of his squad is playing for their future.

"My bosses have one eye to see if I deserve to continue here," said Guardiola. "My eyes have to control my players and how their performances deserve to be here. There is no other solution."

"Everything is related to the performance, not about the contract we have or what we are. For me as a manager [I'm] being observed and it's the same for the players."

(Agencies)

City are expected to prioritise a centre-back in the summer after failing to replace Vincent Kompany and Guardiola may also need a forward if Leroy Sane gets his way and moves to Bayern Munich.

David Silva has announced his attention to leave after a decade at the Etihad Stadium but Guardiola has said in the past he may not seek a replacement for the Spaniard.

"I have an idea what we need," said Guardiola. "We speak quite often with the club. There are still four months and it depends on that. We are going to take a decision."

"We are not far away to get the standards [of Liverpool]. The way we've played is quite similar."

"I think every season all the teams move a little bit of the squad. Some have to move a lot in some areas. Maybe we have to buy some new players. Not much some new players."

# La Liga head takes on FIFA over expanding Club World Cup

LONDON

FIFA's determination to have a bigger role in club football worldwide is troubling the head of the Spanish league.

Javier Tebas, president of La Liga, fears FIFA expanding the Club World Cup and providing a fresh windfall for a group of elite clubs will exacerbate financial disparities between teams and harm football.

The FIFA men's club competition is due to swell from an annual competition with seven entrants to an event featuring a 24-team group stage from 2021.

"The major risk would be the Club World Cup," Tebas said through a translator in London. "They want to have it every two years. I don't know how far they wish to go."

FIFA President Gianni Infantino is considering offers from companies willing to provide financing for the competition, which is due to have a new name for its pilot edition. Tebas believes it could pose a greater challenge to European football than attempts by clubs to break away to form any Super League.

"FIFA ... stopped being regulators and organizers for national teams and start to organize other kinds of tournaments which compete directly with the national leagues and this is something that concerns me because we had a balance, an ecosystem between the different leagues in Europe and different continents," Tebas said.

"In Europe we have the Champions League and now we have an intruder who might disrupt that balance. There was already a threat of that in Europe, even though I think the risk



Javier Tebas

of that has dropped significantly with the Champions League, but I think this could have an impact on the value of international competitions."

Real Madrid president Florentino Pérez has formed the World Football Club Association, which has been formulating plans for new competitions of its own. Those proposals only emerged in reports after Pérez met with FIFA President Gianni Infantino in November.

Eight European teams are due to feature in the new Club World Cup, including Real Madrid due to its 2018 Champions League victory.

"The idea of creating new super World Cups for super clubs could be very damaging for Real Madrid and for major clubs," Tebas said. "It's something he's not taking into ac-

count and I don't really see a future for these competitions. I don't think there's a real passion for these kind of events. I think when people discuss this they realize it's damaging for them."

"I always ask why we should change a system of strong international competitions... if it's not broken, why try to fix it?"

But Infantino is determined to elevate the status of FIFA's club competition and provide significant income to the finalists.

"We've seen how the Premier League has grown significantly over the last few years," Tebas pointed out. "La Liga has also grown significantly and why would we want to change that? Why would we want to put that at risk with these sort of ideas? It's like building castles in the

sky."

While concerned about Infantino's plans, Tebas is supportive of UEFA President Aleksander eferin who has clashed regularly with his FIFA counterpart.

"If Ceferin defends European football as I have seen with national league and championships in balance, which is the current trend, I welcome this clash, this confrontation," Tebas said. "An organisation like FIFA is supposed to be a regulatory body. They draft the different calendars and when we need to play. Sadly, from organising World Cups, they are talking about Club World Cups and having that every two years."

"That is not an option because it would change the status quo. This can't happen. This sort of confrontation will never harm us if it goes along the path Ceferin is trying to defend."

Tebas has been a regular critic of governments using their wealth to finance clubs, particularly Qatar at Paris Saint-Germain and Abu Dhabi at Manchester City. Both teams have been punished by UEFA for breaching spending rules and City is subject to a fresh investigation that could lead to a Champions League ban.

"One of the major issues in European football is related to (financial) doping," Tebas said. "Because when we have clubs being financed by states then that has an impact on salaries and that means in other countries with more strict economic controls like Spain and Germany clubs cannot actually ask the state for extra financing to pay those salaries."

AP

## Why Arsenal fans shouldn't worry about Lacazette

By Julien Laurens, ESPN Correspondent

ARSENAL striker Alexandre Lacazette is a big fan of statistics. He's not the most data-savvy player but in his constant search for improvement and how to become a better player, he's taking more of an interest.

A few days ago, a friend showed him a graph about the Premier League's most involved goal scorers -- simply put, the centre-forwards who are taking a significant part in their team's build-up play (or not) and who also have chances to score (or not). Alongside Wolves' Raul Jimenez, the Frenchman is the No. 9 in the Premier League with the highest mix of involvement in his team's play and chances, ahead of even Roberto Firmino, for example.

Lacazette is a key part in the way Arsenal build their attacks. He's used a lot with his back to goal to hold the ball up or in transition to help create space, either with the ball or without the ball, for his teammates.

Against Sheffield United on Saturday, it was Lacazette's great through-ball for Nicolas Pepe that led to a cross and a chance for Gabriel Martinelli. It was him again slotting the ball first time for Bukayo Saka on the left-hand side to cross for Martinelli to score the opener.

From Day 1 since being unveiled as Arsenal manager, Mikel Arteta has been very clear: a lot of the Gunners' patterns of play going forward would be built around Lacazette's movement and touch. In a sense, scoring goals is easy if you get good delivery, but being able to score, assist others and also link play is much harder. Players who can do it all are exceedingly rare.

Despite Arsenal's position in mid-table, Lacazette is one of the most complete strikers in England at the moment, so it's come as a surprise that some fans are criticising him for a lack of goals. He's gone seven games since he last found the back of the net, an unwelcome streak -- and one he wishes wasn't still ongoing -- but he has a far more important role to play for this Arsenal side in transition than simply finishing attacking moves.

Without Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang, who is suspended for two more games following his red card vs.



Alexandre Lacazette

Crystal Palace, Lacazette has even more responsibilities. He wore the captain's armband against Sheffield United and could wear it again on Tuesday at Chelsea.

Speaking of Chelsea, Arsenal's last meeting with the Blues on Boxing Day, which Arsenal lost 2-1 in the last

10 minutes, is a perfect game to highlight Lacazette's full body of work. The former Lyon forward Lacazette played 90 minutes, had no shots, no assists and no passes leading to a shot. Yet he played a key part in everything good Arsenal did for an hour, before dipping in intensity like

the rest of his team down the stretch.

Since the arrival of Arteta, Lacazette's expected goals tally are lower than they were under Unai Emery, because he is far more involved in build-up play and not just there to convert chances made for him. His movements are taking him away from the goal so he can play a more active role.

In the Premier League this season, Lacazette has five goals and two assists after 16 games. His expected goals are 4.21 and 1.98, which means he's basically scoring the chances that he should be scoring, though if you look at it, not many chances are actually coming Laca's way. In comparison, Aubameyang has 14 league goals, outscoring his xG by almost 4 (10.25). Without his best friend Aubameyang on Saturday, he seemed a bit more isolated too, which could be the case once again at Chelsea on Tuesday. Nevertheless, Mikel Arteta is very happy with his striker, who, let's not forget it, was named Arsenal's Player of the Season last year after scoring 13 goals and giving eight assists in the league.

"I am very happy with his performances and the way he contributes to the team. He is setting goals for the rest, creating situations for his teammates. His work in possession is phenomenal. He is a very important player for me. We just need to put him in the best position to score again. Scoring is the best medicine for a striker," Arteta said before the Sheffield United game.

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## Azam FC out to build on good form in VPL

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

AZAM FC are looking to step up their pursuit of Vodacom Premier League leaders, Simba SC, with a trip to face Mwadui FC in Shinyanga today afternoon.

They are nine points behind Simba at the moment, but have one game in hand on their Dar es Salaam rivals, meaning they would move to within six points of the latter, popularly known as 'Msimbazi Reds', if the former win today.

Azam FC are full of confidence heading into the tie after claiming three consecutive league victories. Aristica Cioaba's charges beat Police Tanzania 1-0 in Kilimanjaro.

Azam then defeated Singida United 2-1 in Arusha and the former later clobbered Lipuli FC 2-0 before grinding out a 1-0 win over title rivals Young Africans 'Yanga' on Saturday to climb up to second position in the standings.

Azam now aim at building on that performance with another win which would see them put pressure on Simba and also put some gap between them and the chasing pack of Coastal Union and Namungo FC.

Despite not having a bright campaign, Azam FC assistant coach Iddi Cheche admits Mwadui are not to be underestimated as they showed they could be a threat to anybody when they shocked Simba to a 1-0 loss earlier in the season.

Meanwhile, Mwadui are reeling after suffering two back-to-back home draws. They were held 1-1 draw by KMC FC before being subjected to a similar case against Ruvu Shooting.

The consecutive draws saw Mwadui slip down to 16th place in the standings and they will be desperate to stop the bleeding before they fall even further.

Every game is tricky and even more so going on the road against less popular sides who are up for the big games but, on paper and in terms of mentality, Azam should be having enough quality to overcome Mwadui.

The head-to-head record between the two teams definitely favours Azam, who have won six of their past eight league meetings while two games have been drawn.

Azam have, however, failed to get maximum points in their last two visits to Mwadui.

## Yanga in pursuit of victory over Singida United



Yanga players participate in training session in Dar es Salaam recently to prepare for the Vodacom Premier League. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

YOUNG Africans (Yanga) are once again playing catch up in this season's Vodacom Premier League (VPL) title race.

They are heading into today's afternoon league clash against Singida United trailing league's log leaders Simba SC by 16 points.

Even with two games in hand that can see them cut the lead to nine points, two consecutive losses last week have left Yanga with little breathing space in the title race.

They are trailing a formidable Simba side who are looking to win three consecutive league titles for the second time having done so between 1976 and 1980. Yanga remarkably went 11

matches unbeaten before they were halted by Kagera Sugar and Azam FC last week to hand head coach Luc Eymael back to back losses in his opening game since he took over the reins at

Jangwani Street squad.

The pressure on coach Eymael has been intermittent but defeat to Singida United would heighten calls for Yanga chairman Mshindo Msolla to show the Belgian the exit door barely two weeks since the gaffer was announced.

After the 1-0 loss to Azam on Saturday, the straight talking Eymael was engaged in an ugly press interview where he claimed he had been racially discriminated by a match official who refused his hand shake.

Speaking after the racism controversy, the 60-year-old said he was disappointed by his side's two league defeats to Kagera Sugar and Azam.

He pointed out they are in the process of changing things. However, he understands he cannot afford to drop points again.

"I am also very disappointed and sad for Yanga fans who are supporting their club with a big heart, we are in a process for changing things. We are going through difficult times but we will continue to work hard to go back to winning days," Eymael disclosed.

As things stands even a draw would further dampen the spirit in Jangwani Street side's camp ahead of a crucial period in the title race.

Their next five league matches include tricky ties against Lipuli FC, Mtibwa Sugar and then Police Tanzania and Namungo FC on the road.

## Special Olympics team eye medals in Pan African Games

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

TANZANIA'S Special Olympics team, which will compete in Pan African Games in Egypt, departed for Cairo yesterday with hopes of winning medals.

Speaking at the team's departure in Dar es Salaam, the squad's coach Charles Rays said they are confident of bringing medals home.

He said the team has trained well ahead of the first Pan African Games, slated for tomorrow and will climax at the end of this month.

"I'm confident that we will do well in Egypt, all of the players are looking forward to this first Pan African event and the hope is to bring medals home, it will not be easy but we are ready for the challenge," he said.

Rays, who also doubles as Tanzania Special Olympics administrator, said the country is to be represented by five



Children with intellectual disabilities feature in fitness training in Dar es Salaam recently.

athletes and three officials.

He thanked Azam FC Chief Executive Officer, Abdulkarim Nurdin, who is popularly known as Popat, who is travelling with the Special Olympics team as

leader of delegation, on his expenses and some committee members who have donated the tickets for the two athletes.

Rays, who is part of the contingent, mentioned the

athletes and officials who are travelling for the event as Khalfan Jihadi, Elizabeth Kisaka, Nerverson Minja, Salma Idrissa and Idaya Vyai, while Saada Hamad is team's matron.

"The initial plan was to send 26 athletes from athletics and football disciplines to the event, but due to financial problems we will only send five athletes and as I'm speaking to you we are heading to the airport," he disclosed.

"We thank Abdulkarim Popat who is travelling with the team as leader of delegation, he has paid for his accommodation and air ticket."

The first-ever Special Olympics Pan African Games will be held in Egypt under the auspices of the Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, the Chairperson of the African Union.

More than 1,000 volunteers and 100,000 spectators will join together in selected venues in Cairo to celebrate the accomplishments of over 1,000 athletes from 47 Special Olympics countries around the African continent.

The Games encompass a series of sports and non-sports events. The participants will compete in football, basketball and bocce, alongside a range of activities like medical camps.

Tanzania Special Olympics Committee, through work in sports, health, education and community building, is addressing inactivity, injustice, intolerance and social isolation by encouraging and empowering people with intellectual disabilities, leading to a more welcoming and inclusive society.

## Tanzanians urged to value local entertainment areas

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

TANZANIANS have been urged to make use of locally available entertainment places for them to boost their economic status.

The Serengeti Breweries Limited (SBL) Commercial Director, Paul Richards, issued the comments

when his company signed a partnership with popular sea food restaurant Samaki Samaki in Dar es Salaam yesterday.

He said SBL is keen on seeing to that it is working with local entertainment places joints for the betterment of the country.

"We are really

committed to see to it that we are working with local entertainment joints, the aim is to see to it that the entertainment sector improves, we know that by working with locals the economy of the country will improve," he said.

He said the partnership is beneficial to both

SBL and Samaki Samaki restaurant.

Chief Executive Officer of Samaki Samaki, Carlos Basters, on his remarks, said they are happy that they are working with SBL, pointing out the cooperation will help in providing good services to people in the country.

He said Samaki Samaki are delighted to work with the company as they hope the partnership is to improve efficiency, creativity and innovation at his restaurant.

"Samaki Samaki are delighted to have partnership with SBL, they are one of the big

companies in the country and the good thing is that they are good in creativity," he disclosed.

"SBL are one of the premium companies in the country and as Samaki Samaki we are happy to be associated with them," he noted.

## Flexibles by David Chikoko

