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Kenya's incumbent Deputy President William Samoei Arap Ruto (55) makes televised remarks to his nation from Nairobi yesterday shortly after the chairman of the country's Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission, Wafula Chebukati, declared him president-elect. Photo: Selemani Mpochi

NAIROBI

DEPUTY President William Ruto yesterday declared the winner of Kenya's presidential election, while a section of the polls commission disowned the results at a press conference in a city hotel away from the tallying Centre. Official results showed the winner narrowly beating establishment candidate Raila Odinga, ostensibly with 50.5 per cent of the vote, a result the losing party's campaign refused to sign, asking that they countercheck the vital forms used in the tallying. Dramatic scenes broke out while dignitaries

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waited for the formal announcement of results, with four of the seven members of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) refusing to endorse the result, qualifying the last stages of the tallying as characterized by non-transparency, an opaque process. Juliana Cherera, the IEBC vice-chairperson,

refusing to take ownership of the result going to be announced, said the dissenting team was going to give a comprehensive statement, urging the public to remain calm. "There is an open door that people can go to court and the rule of law will prevail," she asserted, while key officials of Odinga's observer

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Samia cautions against corrupt acts over travel permits or visas

RC says bribes propel human trafficking at border points

By Guardian Reporter

PRESIDENT Samia Suluhu Hassan has warned corrupt immigration officers asking for bribes from people in need of visa and permits, that legal actions will be taken against them. Closing training at the Boma- Kichakamiba Immigration College in Mkinga District of Tanga Region for 818 officers, the president said the government will not turn a blind eye on corrupt practices. "They have been pocketing government money that people pay for visas and permits. They should be punished so that it becomes a lesson to others with similar behaviour," she said. "I have heard that there are some dishonest officers swindling money paid for visas and permits. A survey at Immigration offices in Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam early this year showed massive losses in money collected for

visa issuances. These actions should stop," she stressed. Immigration officers need to adhere to work ethics and maintain discipline in executing their duties, she said, asking them to diligently serve Tanzanians as well as foreigners seeking work and residence permits. This is vital to avoid tarnishing the country's image, she said, referring to the slogan 'Unity, love and solidarity' and promises that they will not engage in bribes. They should make the promise by ensuring good practices at their working stations, she said, urging Immigration to reduce bureaucracy in the issuance of entrance and exit permits. Immigration should rather speed up the issuance of permits to reduce complaints, she stated, with Regional Commissioner Omari Mumba accused a section of Immigration officers and civil servants of involvement in

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ATCL plans Nigeria, Ghana, DRC flights

By Henry Mwangonde

AIR Tanzania Co. Ltd (ATCL) will next year launch flights to Nigeria and Ghana. Ladislaus Matindi, the managing director, made this affirmation in Dar es Salaam yesterday when touring ticket agent Skylink, noting that the national carrier expects to launch flights to Goma and Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) at about the same time, while improving some local routes. The tour was aimed at explaining company efforts at improving services, including flight reliability and punctuality, he said, pointing at company plans to expand to several destinations in the region and beyond. "We are touring about 20 agents countrywide. Today we are here and we have discussed a lot including how to expand our network, and how to move together with agents," he said. The meeting sought to address challenges agents face, along with working on complaints raised by customers, he said,

intending that improving services and establishing new destinations shows the need for better performance. ATCL has resumed flights in South Africa and China that were cancelled as a result of Covid-19 lockdowns, he said, while increasing local flights to two or three times a week to Ruvuma and Rukwa. ATCL will also increase the number of pilots and engineers, he said. Skylink managing director Moustafa Khataw said they will work with ATCL to enhance its profit margin by increasing international flights "because we know how the international market operates." There are challenges facing agents including late communication which affects efficiency, with agents working with ATCL in facing up to these challenges, he added.

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India's High Commissioner to Tanzania, Binaya Srikanta Pradhan, hoists his country's national flag in Dar es Salaam yesterday in marking the 76th Independence Day of India. The event was attended by more than 500 members of India community alongside friends of India. Photo courtesy of Indian High Commission

Foundation grants 4bn/- to 89 NGOs

By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

THE Foundation for Civil Societies (FCS) has disbursed 4bn/- to some 89 civil society organizations in both part of the union, to implement projects aimed at intensifying accountability. FCS executive director Francis Kiwanga handed over the cheques to the CSOs at the opening of a five-day training for representatives of the respective civil societies, signing performance agreements for project implementation. The accountability project is part of the FCS five-year strategic plan now being rolled out, seeking to foster gender equality, curb gender-based violence as well as violence against children. It also focuses on resources management skills and monitoring, addressing sources of disruption of peace and security, plus engagement of special groups in the development agenda. Launching the training, he underscored the need for the accountability drive in the fight against corruption, especially for development projects in education, health, water and agriculture. Up to 70 percent of the country's population depends on agriculture and public finances in that area need to be monitored, he stated, affirming that the health sector is equally among the five top priorities in development issues. Peace will be safeguarded by reducing

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human trafficking.

They take part in illegal transportation of people across borders, he said, intoning that the regional authorities are working to enhance security to check human trafficking.

Dr Anna Makakala, the department's commissioner general, said the Boma-

Kichakamiba College has limited infrastructure plus lack of clean and safe water and have appealed to the president to look at improving the college environment.

Home Affairs minister Hamad Yusuf Masauni said that within a short period the president has done a lot to improve the working environment at Immigration department.

'Moral values, spiritual needs help address youth problems'

By Guardian Reporter

VICE President Dr Philip Mpango has called on the Tanzania Ahmadiyya Muslim community and all religious leaders to strengthen efforts in addressing moral decay among youth which is mostly caused by the misuse of social media platforms.

Dr Mpango said this yesterday in Dar es Salaam when he met and held talks with the community's leaders led by the community leader, Abdulrahman Ame.

"Religious leaders have a big role to play in supervising the morals of our youth which have been destroyed due to improper use of social media platforms, we need to strengthen efforts to address this area," he said.

He hailed the Ahmadiyya Muslim community for its continued cooperation to support development of various sectors such as health, water and electricity.

He said that the government recognized the contribution of the community in various initiatives undertaken by the government as well as praying for the country's peace.

He also urged the community and all Tanzanians to continue working hard so as to contribute to the country's development.

According to him, religions need to be a major source of love and unity among Tanzanians and should never be used to stimulate chaos among followers.

The Vice President further urged the leaders to encourage followers and all Tanzanians to participate in the national Housing and Population Census set for August 23, as by doing so will help the government to have correct statistics so as to plan the resources well for the country's development.

Earlier, the community's secretary Sheikh Seif Nakuchima said that they will continue promoting peace and unity while also working closely with the government to support implementation of various development initiatives.

He said Islam preaches about peace and requires every person to live well and in harmony with others from different faiths.

"We have been always preaching about peace in many conferences and meetings that we organize, reminding people on peace and unity and protection has been our priority agenda, we will continue doing so to ensure that people live to promote love and unity among themselves," he explained.

Atmospheric generator brings safe water to drought-hit Kenyan homes

NAIROBI

IN Kenya, water scarcity remains a challenge. The country is among the most water-scarce countries across the world.

Rosario Kisui, who lives in Nairobi, collects water from a stream near her home.

It takes Kisui and her neighbours around thirty minutes to fetch the water needed for daily chores.

"We live here with my children. I gave birth to my children here and raised them here. Since I moved here, there has been no water. We wonder what's the purpose of this tap is or whether we can uproot it and throw it away because there is no water. We fetch water from the river. It is the water we use to bathe, drink and cook with. At times, our children have suffered from stomach aches. When our stomachs hurt, we go to the hospital but sometimes we do not need to go to the hospital. Let us just survive because there is no other way. This is our water," explains Kisui.

David Nyaga has been living in Nairobi for three years and only receives water to his home once a month because of water rationing.

Without regular supply, he has to collect water from a well within his compound.

"I have been living here for three years now, but the main issue that we are facing now is scarcity of water. So here, water comes only once in a month. So I have to have a plan 'B', which is the borehole, but the borehole water is not safe for drinking. So, I just use it for cleaning, washing and other things - because sparkling and bottled water prices are very high, which I cannot afford," explains Nyaga.

In Kenya, 9.9 million people drink directly from contaminated surface water sources, estimates UNICEF.

Beth Koigi, CEO of Majik Water, had her own experience of having to buy contaminated water while at university.

Koigi explains she wanted to find a way to curb the issue of water scarcity in Kenya's informal settlement areas.

Majik Water is a social enterprise that specialises in air-to-water technologies. The company was started in 2017 by three founders - Beth Koigi, Anastacia Kaschenko and Clare Sewell - and began production at the end of 2019.

"Basically, this machine is called

an atmospheric water generator, and it can produce up to 500 litres of water (per day). But sometimes if the humidity is higher than 60%; relative humidity - it can produce all the way to 700 litres of water. But basically, this machine uses dehumidification processes so we basically condense the water vapour in the atmosphere," Koigi explains.

There are twenty machines in Kenya. The cost of the machines range from \$9,000 to \$12,500, once installed the water supply is free.

Each day the machine produces from 50 litres per day to 1,000 litres.

"In this device, we have four major components. So, we have the fans which basically bring in air and then we have the condensation bit which is inclusive of you know, the refrigerant components, the condensing coils. And then we have now the filtration system, which we include as an added component, but that depends on the contaminant that we may have. For example, here in Kibera we may have contaminants that are related to sewage, because we have open sewage here. So, we may add a filtration system to remove that. So, that is very dependent on the place and then we have now the collecting tank," explains Koigi.

Several machines have been installed all over the country - including at this school in Kibera.

Nelson Mandela Safu, a teacher at St. Juliet Primary School, explains:

"Previously, before we received the machine, we had an issue with our school hygiene. We used to wash our toilets once per week and the same, same water of the same, same container that we used to fetch water in from the nearby sellers are the same, same water that our children used to drink. And we had a lot of cases on a daily basis: 'Teacher, I have a problem, I have a stomach ache' and all that. But today as we speak I am very happy to say that our toilets are clean, the machine can produce water that we can use to wash toilets. The same, same clean water our children are able to take. Even us as teachers are comfortable in school because we have fresh water to drink."

The U.N. warned earlier this year that an estimated 13 million people are facing severe hunger in the wider Horn of Africa region as a result of persistent drought conditions.



President Samia Suluhu Hassan unveils plaque yesterday to launch the construction of an Immigration training college at Boma Kichakamiba in Mkinga District in Tanga Region, where she is on an official visit. Photo: State House

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unnecessary disputes which could plunge the country into conflict, he said, pointing out that peace and development go in tandem.

The foundation decided to consider special groups, of persons with disabilities and youth to make its agenda more inclusive. This will help the groups make a greater contribution to development, he said.

FCS sought for resources from various bodies worldwide, from people with a positive regard for Tanzania,

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he said, underlining that monitoring how the subsidies provided to civil societies are utilized was vital, tied to its "ambitious transparency policy."

Edna Chilimo, the project manager, said that FCS expects that the two-year project brings positive results, to see to it that Tanzanians benefit from public expenditure in all the designated sectors.

Good governance and accountability must be prioritized, she stated, elaborating that in so doing different stakeholders were convened for the five days seminar ahead of taking up project implementation.

Bernadatha Choma, the managing director at Tanzania Women for Self Initiative (TAWSEI), a beneficiary NGO, noted that the grant is a big boost in

pushing for development. Paying gratitude to the foundation, she said the effort at accountability is directly supportive of government initiatives to improve services to the people.

"We are committed to working closely with the government in the key sectors as outlined in the contract," the director added.



Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa exchanges greetings yesterday with King Mohammed VI Institute Secretary General Mohamed Rifk (R) at King Mohammed VI of Morocco Mosque at the headquarters of the Tanzania Muslim Council in Dar es Salaam at the weekend. With them is Chief Sheikh Abubakar Zubeir bin Ally. The PM was representing President Samia Suluhu Hassan at the international Holy Quran recital competition. Photo: PMO

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team had earlier alleged irregularities and mismanagement in the tallying.

This was the first time Ruto, 55, had run for president, having served as deputy president for 10 years, but fell out with President Uhuru Kenyatta at the onset of their second mandate in

2018.

IEBC chairperson Wafula Chebukati said he had done his duty despite receiving threats.

"I took an oath of office to serve this country and I have done my duty in accordance with the constitution and the laws of the land," the outgoing polls chief declared.

"We have walked the journey of ensuring that Kenyans get a free, fair and credible election. It has not been an easy journey - right now two of my commissioners and the CEO are injured," he stated.

In his speech, the president-elect praised the polls commission and the public for having raised the bar of

election conduct and transparency, assuring the other camp that he will be the president of all, for the prosperity of the country.

"To those who have done many things against us, I want to tell them there's nothing to fear. There will be no vengeance. We do not have the luxury to look back," he added.



Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) coordinating officer Dr Gibonce Kayuni stands as facilitator at a meeting on the possibility of reviving the National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR). It was held in Dar es Salaam, yesterday, with participants including experts from various ministries and government institutions. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Korea national tuberculosis association to open doors to local doctors - Dr Mwinyi

By Guardian Reporter

ZANZIBAR President Dr Hussein Ali Mwinyi has said the arrival of doctors from Korea National Tuberculosis Association will open doors for local doctors and health professionals in the country to enhance their skills to fight various diseases.

Dr Mwinyi made the remarks at State House in Zanzibar when he met and spoke to a team of 15 doctors from South Korea who are in the Isles for a special camp for diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis (TB).

President Mwinyi said that Zanzibar is facing various diseases including TB, and that there is a great demand for doctors and other health professionals to deal with the diseases.

He said the arrival of the doctors is an opportunity for local doctors and health workers to cooperate with their counterparts from South Korea, thus enhancing their capacity in treating TB and other diseases.

Dr Mwinyi thanked the doctors for their commitment to come to Zanzibar,

noting the government recognizes the great steps reached by South Korea in fighting various diseases.

Chairperson from the Korea National Tuberculosis Association, Kyung Manho said they decided to come to Zanzibar for purposes of strengthening relations between Zanzibar and South Korea specifically in the fight for diseases.

"Our visit to Zanzibar is meant to enhance cooperation between the two nations," said Manho.

The Korea National Tuberculosis Association which deals with TB treatment was established in 1953.



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PM calls on clerics to keep praying for nation's peace

By Guardian Reporter

PRIME Minister Kassim Majaliwa has said religious leaders should continue praying for peace for the country and its leaders as without peace even religious gatherings would be impossible to hold.

Citing Holy Quran 2:126, Majaliwa said Prophet Ibrahim prayed to Allah for peace for his city and residents.

"Similarly I would like to call upon to our religious leaders to continue praying for peace for Tanzania and its leaders to enable them lead the country well as well as propping up unity and solidarity for its economic development," he said.

PM Majaliwa made the remarks last Sunday before presenting prizes for the first winner of Quran Reading Competition held at King Mohammed VI Mosque in Dar es Salaam sponsored by King of Morocco Ulamaa Africa Institute.

Speaking on behalf of President Samia Suluhu Hassan, Majaliwa said the gathering is a proof for Quran's glory in Africa as it has involved 88 participants from 34 African countries.

He said the world is currently witnessing the increase of criminal activities including children murdering their parents, sodomy, child abuse and drug abuse.

"We should understand that we are

faced with moral decay in all ages, hence it is better to sit and read or listen to the Holy Quran. But the basic question is how we abide by the Holy Book in leading our lives. In other words, as we recite the Quran as our children recite the Holy Quran, it should go in tandem with propping up robust foundations for propping up a respectable well behaved community," he added.

He called upon religious leader to make sure our youth are able to recite the Holy Quran as well as graduate in various fields.

"For a youth who can recite the Holy Quran cannot go against its teaching," he stressed.

Earlier, welcoming the Prime Minister to address the gathering and present prizes, Tanzania's Mufti, Sheikh Abubakar bin Zubeir thanked King Mohammed VI of Morocco and the Secretary General of King of Morocco Ulamaa Africa Institute, Mohamed Rifqi by bringing the competition to east Africa.

"Their decision has enabled us to see how the Holy Quran how was in the past being written by hand until the present time when it is printed. Our brethren in West Africa are used to witness that," he added.

Among winners was a 14-year-old girl, Saima Hassan Suleiman of Dar es Salaam


who emerged first winner in the Second Group who was able to recite 30 Juzuus (chapters) of the Holy Quran.

Saima, a Form II at Shaban Robert Secondary School in Dar es Salaam said she has been learning the Holy Quran since she was five years old.

The Group had two winners from Tanzania including Ahmed Salum Mbwa who emerged third winner.

The first winner in the first Group for the Riwayat Warsh Quran Recital category was Murtado Olatunji Katibi from Nigeria, the second Abdinassir Hassan Ibrahim from Somalia and the third was Khatry Dakhay from Mauritania.

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Save the Children

Request for Proposals

Ref: No. PR/SCITZ/2022/0102

Qualitative Research Consultant to Save the Children International

Save the Children International is inviting qualified consultants to submit the proposals for "Qualitative research and analysis: Conducting a realist evaluation of Connect-
A project connecting first-time mothers to postpartum family planning (PPFP) through sustainable approaches"

Background
In September 2019, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) awarded the "Connecting first-time parents to contraceptive services through diverse platforms (Connect)" project to Save the Children. Connect aims to increase the use of postpartum family planning among first-time mothers (FTMs; ages 15-24) by layering an additional activity onto large-scale health and nutrition initiatives that already reach FTMs. In Tanzania, Connect partners with the USAID's Lishe Endelevu (LE) project (Sustainable Nutrition in Kiswahili). Lishe Endelevu reaches first-time parents, their family members, and community influencers through community-based outreach activities.

The Connect project aims to develop, test, scale, and evaluate "program approaches"- modifications to existing activities that leverage the project's reach to better meet the needs of FTMs.

In Tanzania, Phase One of the project took place in one district of Dodoma region (Kongwa district-covering 25 villages). During Phase Two, Connect will scale-up into Bahi district covering 19 villages (treatment) and additional 19 villages in Kongwa district. Connect's Phase Two will implement the tested and refined program enhancements through the Lishe Endelevu, a community-based implementing partner (TAHEA) and existing governmental platforms, with a rigorous mixed methods Realist Evaluation (RE) of the program enhancements as implemented at scale, which includes qualitative and quasi-experimental components. This scope of work focuses on the qualitative research aspects of this evaluation.

KEY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The company/individual applying for this consultancy work must be registered in United Republic of Tanzania.
- The firm/individual applying for this consultancy work must comply with United Republic of Tanzania's Tax rules and regulations. Provision of EFD receipts is mandatory for each transaction
- Previous experience in similar assignments with International NGOs is preferred.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE AND INSTRUCTIONS:
All reputable and eligible Law Firms or individuals interested to work with Save the Children International, are requested to participate and submit their application to Save the Children International.

Disclaimer: Issuance of this EOI does not constitute an award or commitment on the part of the Save the Children International, nor does it commit Save the Children to pay for costs incurred in the preparation and submission of EOI. Only shortlisted company will be contacted for the further process.

All applicants should participate and submitted their e-tenders to Save the Children Tanzania not later than 31st August 2022 by 1700hrs via Ariba Network.

Interested applicants should send emails requesting Ariba Network's registration documents to tanzania.tenders@savethechildren.org

Applicants won't be able to participate or submit their proposals via the network if they are not registered with Save the Children's Ariba Network.

Applicants are required to submit via the network both financial and technical proposals as two separate attachments. Only shortlisted applicants may be asked to prepare a brief presentation for discussion and clarification (if required).

Save the Children reserves the right to accept or reject any application or part thereof, and is not bound to give reasons for its decision. Applicants who will not hear from us after 60 days should consider their application unsuccessful.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021


This publication is made according to regulation 13(a) of the Non- Governmental Organization Act (Amendments), Regulation 2018, which requires Non- Governmental Organizations to publish bi-annually the funds received and their expenditures.

MC - Tanzania is a locally registered Non- Government Organization (NGO) whose mission is to contribute towards improving oral health and dental care through existing promotion, prevention, curative and rehabilitation services. The organization aims to see communities throughout Tanzania live free from oral and dental diseases. MC- Tanzania is an affiliate of Miracles Corners of the World (MCW Global), a New York-based non for profit organization. Below is the statement showing Grants support and Income Received and Expenditures incurred for the year ended 31 December 2021 (Audited).

	As of 31 December 2021 TZS	As of 31 December 2020 TZS
REVENUE FROM NON EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS		
Restricted Funds	271,854,195	222,557,600
Unrestricted Funds	350,000	227,750
REVENUE FROM EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS		
Unrestricted Funds	960,000	1,025,000
Total Revenue	273,164,195	223,810,350
EXPENSES		
Operating Expenses	159,127,809	188,057,785
Project Expenses	117,500,506	38,455,010
Total Expenses	276,628,315	226,512,795
The deficit for the year	(3,464,120)	(2,702,445)

The above extracts are from the organization's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021, which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. The Financial Statements were audited by Enson Africa Certified Public Accountants and received a clean report.

Financial statements for the year 2021 were approved by the Board of Directors on 2 April 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Dr. Deodatus Mtasiwa
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Seven million quality coffee seedlings to be distributed to farmers

By Guardian Correspondent, Rungwe

MORE than 7 million modern coffee seedlings are expected to be distributed to farmers in three regions of Southern Highlands Zone that produce the crop aimed at boosting coffee production and increase households' earnings.

In addition, more than 24,000 households are expected to benefit from the seedlings in Mbeya, Ruvuma and Songwe regions that grow the crop.

The Coordinator of Small Holder Coffee Development Project (CODE-P) from Agroforestry Institute, Gervas Chiza made the remarks at the weekend in Rungwe District during the visit by various sectoral officials while visiting various projects.

The projects visited included those being implemented via AGRICONNECT - the project that supports value chains for shared prosperity sponsored by EU.

Chiza said the project aims to boost nutrition for children in various households.

He added that in implementing the project they involve various cooperative societies, adding that so far the project has taken two years since its launching.

He said by May this year, farmers had

grown more than 3 million seedlings and continue to distribute and plant farms to make sure the aim is realised.

He said the seedlings has been researched on and found to be of high quality because they will start bearing coffee beans after only two years and hope that youth will be wooed to coffee farming.

He added that the seedlings were researched on by Tanzania Coffee Research Institute (TACRI) and produced via AMCOS after receiving equipment and expertise.

Farmers who benefit from the project said as of now the crop has started enhancing their earnings.

The Chairman of Mpumisa AMCOS, Rashid Mwakoyosa said apart from the assistance from the seedlings, they have also been assisted to improve infrastructures for cleaning and drying the coffee in their area.

He added that currently the quality of coffee they produce has begun improving and that they are sure that even the crop's market will be better than in the past.

Earlier, the representative from the Ministry of Agriculture, Dainess Mtei praised various institutions involved in the AGRICONNECT-CONNECT for good implementation of the project.



Diamond Trust Bank Plc medical staff (L & 2nd-L) busy at work at a three-day medical camp held at Wete District Hospital on Pemba Island at the weekend. It was jointly organised by the bank, Ilala Afya Centre and Tiba Health Care and saw more than 1,100 patients screened and treated for various illnesses and conditions. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

By Guardian Reporter

'Newly established districts budgets planned from mere estimates'

DISTRICT Commissioners of newly established districts say for seven years running their budgets are implemented by mere estimates due to lack of the correct number of the residents.

They add that they believe the coming Population and Housing Census will provide the correct number of residents in their districts, the step that will enable the government boost social services.

The DCs were speaking to this paper at different times on the importance of the census slated for August 23

this year which the new districts will participate for the first time since their establishment in 2015.

Ubungo District Commissioner in Dar es Salaam region, Heri James said the census will enable the government plan its budget by adhering to the correct number of the residents instead of mere estimates that retard development pace.

"We in the new district have many requirements that we have been asking for but since there is no the right statistics, we are treated like older

districts, hence the census will remove this anomaly," James said.

The DC for Tanganyika District in Katavi Region, Onesmo Buswelu said the Census will enable to get a budget that commensurate with the actual needs of the district instead of estimates owing to lack of correct number of residents.

"For example we have 81 primary schools in 55 villages out of which 24 schools are new, hence the aim of the census is to identify settlements, births and deaths to know where more efforts

should be directed in regard to social services including health, education and road infrastructures," he said.

Meanwhile, Kigamboni DC in Dar es Salaam Region, Fatuma Nyangasa said the census will assist in the reorganization of the district taking into consideration that Kigamboni District has huge areas for investment, better urban planning and added that this challenge has also been facing older districts.

"Here we already have areas allocated for markets and currently

we are looking for funds to build them to enable the residents and other businessmen to conduct their activities in formal recognized areas," he said.

Malinyi DC in Morogoro Region, Mathayo Masele said: "The government is forced to allocate the budget through estimates, you can estimate the district having 152,000 people but in reality there are areas that have expanded and our district is mainly for farmers and herders and many still migrate into the district."

He said the census will assist in increasing the pace in regard to building of schools, markets, health centres as well as to empower people to conduct economic activities for income generation.

This year's census is taking place after the last one in 2012 when these districts, including Kibiti district in Coast Region did not exist. Established by President Kikwete administration in 2015 and endorsed by his successor, late President John Magufuli in 2016.

Human hair wigs find market in Tanzania

By Special Correspondent

FOR 28-year-old Johnson Allen, a hairstylist based in Tanzania's business capital Dar es Salaam, the sky is the limit when it comes to selling human hair wigs.

In a recent interview he said the hair wigs from China are selling like hotcakes in his three shops in the business capital's suburbs of Sinza, Kinondoni, and Kariakoo.

Allen, who owns a chain of hairstylists shops called Jonijo, is nicknamed Jonijo wigs, a recognition he earned after he ventured into the business in 2015.

"I started this business when I was still in secondary school. I started it as a passion when I realized that the future for this kind of business was bright. I threw my full weight into it and in 2018 the business started to pick up," said the hairstylist.

However, he said in 2020 when the COVID-19 pandemic broke out across the world, his business slowed down because he could not travel to China anymore to select the wigs he wanted. But he is optimistic again as he recounts that right now things are slowly getting back to normal.

Allen said he gets most of his customers

on social media, especially Instagram due to his unique posts and the impressive quality of his human hair wigs.

"I import the wigs from China and I distribute and export them to various regions of Tanzania and outside the country, respectively," said the soft-spoken hairstylist.

He said for women, wigs are a favorable fashion that they imitate from some celebrities who prefer different styles of wigs or hairstyles.

"My clients come to my shop and ask for styles that they have seen worn by certain celebrities," he said, adding that this makes

him press orders in China according to the demands of his clients.

Allen said prices of wigs vary depending on the type of wig, length or quality because some people prefer the Malaysian style of wigs while others prefer Mongolian styles.

"There are several styles, so sometimes we educate our customers because different styles cost differently. A wig costs up to 2m/-. So we order according to our clients' demands," he said.

He said apart from selling the wigs, he is looking forward to opening a beauty salon where those buying the wigs can be fixed with the wigs with an added make-up. "I intend to make it a one-stop beauty center," he said.

TFRA lists centres for distribution of subsidised fertiliser across Tanzania

By Guardian Reporter

THE Tanzania Fertiliser Regulatory Authority (TFRA) has issued a list of 218 centres for its agents who, starting tomorrow will be distributing subsidized fertiliser to farmers in the country's various regions.

According to TFRA notice that appeared in this paper, in FY 2022/23 the government will provide subsidized fertiliser to enable farmers for purchase at affordable price.

The notice showed the number of centres for each region as shown in brackets - Dar es Salaam Region (3) Iringa (43), Kigoma (6), Kilimanjaro (10), Mbeya (30), Njombe (41), Ruvuma (12), Shinyanga (5), Songwe (32) and Katavi (4).

Others are Manyara (1), Mwanza (3), Tabora (5), Arusha (3), Geita (1), Simiyu (2) and Tanga (1).

During her official visit in Njombe and Iringa regions last week, President Samia Suluhu Hassan said the government has provided the subsidy to lessen farmers' burden in purchasing fertiliser to boost crops production and ensure food security, while calling upon them not to sell away the entire food crop they harvest.

Addressing reporters in Iringa at the weekend, the government Chief Spokesman Gerson Mwigwa called on all agents given permits to distribute subsidized fertiliser to be faithful and ensure the farm input reaches farmers in time.

Mwigwa said the government will not close eyes on all those who will be found to sabotage the exercise and legal measures will be taken against whoever does so.

"The government has provided the fertiliser with very good intentions and we ask for it to reach farmers and be used as planned and stern legal measures will be taken against anyone who will go against that intention," he cautioned.

Recently, TFRA Managing Director, Dr Stephan Ngailo said in order to receive subsidized fertiliser, farmers should register their names with their village governments to be incorporated in the exercise, and added that the government will spend over 150bn/- thereon.

“The government has provided the fertiliser with very good intentions and we ask for it to reach farmers and be used as planned and stern legal measures will be taken against anyone who will go against that intention”

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE PROVISION OF MARINE MAMMALS OBSERVERS AND PASSIVE ACOUSTIC MONITORING

REF : ETJ-BB-PR-EI-GEN-EF-0003-00

<p>BESIX Ballast Nedam Limited, the CONTRACTOR for the Engineering, procurement and Construction of the Jetty and Load Out Facilities in the Tanga Bay for the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP) Project, invites experienced specialist Companies to express their interest for:</p> <p>Marine mammals observers and passive acoustic monitoring.</p> <p>The Republic of Uganda, the Uganda National Oil Company (UNOC), the United Republic of Tanzania and/or Tanzania Petroleum Development Corporation (TPDC), as well as other international oil companies are partaking in the implementation of the EACOP Project.</p> <p>As part of EACOP project, the Crude oil will be loaded on vessels via a facility located in the near shore environment of the Indian Ocean. The Facility will be located 2 km offshore from the Marine Storage Terminal site located on the Chongoleani peninsula in front of Tanga Port in Tanzania.</p> <p>BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THE MATERIALS / SERVICES:</p> <p>BESIX Ballast Nedam Limited will implement for the whole duration of the project (January 2023 to June 2024) a marine mammal mitigation protocol in order to minimise noise impact of impact piling on marine wildlife. This protocol includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of a marine mammals observation (MMO) prior and during piling operation - Implementation of a passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) detection of marine mammals around piling sites. <p>To support the implementation of these two aspects, BESIX Ballast Nedam Limited is looking for</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passive acoustic monitoring equipment - Experienced marine mammal observers and passive acoustics monitoring operators and/or - Marine mammal training services with possibility to perform the training on our site <p>MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:</p> <p>Companies expressing their interest are invited to document their request with:</p> <p>For passive acoustic monitoring equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deployment methodology - Technical specifications - Technical support at installation and during operation <p>For marine mammal observers and PAM operators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CVs, - Experience in similar projects - Training certificate (preferably JNCC or equivalent) <p>For MMO and PAM training services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trainers' CVs and qualifications - Training program - Recognition by international bodies (JNCC or equivalent) - Possibilities to train and coach junior MMO / PAM operators on site during operations <p>BBN will also consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with petroleum (local content) regulation of 2017 and local company definition for Tanzania. - Proof of registration/application to Local Supplier Service Provider (LSSP) database at the time of submission of the response to this expression of interest is highly recommended
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Interested companies which meet the minimum requirements and have the capacity to provide the services listed above should express their interest by sending together with the above listed documents an email to procurement@bbnjv.com (Max. Email Size: 20 MBs & All documents must be submitted in the English language) on or before 30th of August 2022, 12 noon Tanzania Time.

Companies satisfactorily meeting the above minimum requirements will be evaluated and if selected will be invited, subject to the signature of a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), to participate in the bidding process.

Note: Only pre-qualified companies will receive an invitation to submit their bid in furtherance of the Call for Tender process.

RIGHT TO PLAY
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Right To Play (RTP) is a global organization that uses the transformative power of play to protect, educate and empower children facing adversity. Through playing sports and games, we help children build essential life skills and better futures, while driving lasting social change. Right To Play is headquartered in Toronto, Canada with national offices in Canada, the Netherlands, Norway Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. In Tanzania Right To Play implements sport and play based programs to enhance education quality and transform health practices, reaching about 60,000 children and youths in more than 76 primary schools and 5 community organizations in Dar es Salaam, Kigoma and Mara.

Vision: Our vision is to create a healthy and safe world through the power of sport and play.

Mission: Right To Play in Tanzania mission is protect, educate and empower children to rise above adversity using the power of play.

In accordance with Non-Governmental Organization (Amended) Regulation, 2018, Right To Play (RTP) is pleased to publish the amount of funds received and expenditure from **January 2022 to June 2022**

Right To Play - Tanzania
Semi-Annual Income and Expenditure Report for the period from January 2022 to June 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE	2022 AMOUNT IN TZS
REVENUE	
Grant income received from HQ	1,081,050,983
Total amount received	1,081,050,983
EXPENDITURE	
Personnel costs	485,637,325
Program activities	409,198,064
Operating expenses	185,346,064
Finance costs	4,208,316
Total Expenditure	1,084,389,769
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	(3,338,786)

In sum, Right To Play Tanzania received grants from the following donors: **NORAD, GAC, AGA- KHAN FOUNDATION and LEGO FOUNDATION**

Right To Play received the funds for project activities on monthly bases from its HQ- CANADA

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Exim Bank Tanzania CEO Jaffari Matundu (L) and Group head of branch operations Eugene Massawe cut a cake at a ceremony held in Dar es Salaam yesterday marking the bank's 25th anniversary. The latter was feted for being one of the people who have served the bank for over 20 years running. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Exim Bank marks 25th anniversary celebrating its core pillars and staff

By Guardian Reporter

EXIM Bank Tanzania has marked an important milestone in its history by celebrating 25 years of serving its customers with a special employee recognition event held at the bank's head office in Dar es Salaam yesterday.

On the occasion that was attended by the senior management and staff members, the bank recognized the value of a long-standing team that is instrumental for the bank's growth in Tanzania's competitive banking sector.

"Exim Bank is dedicated to our mission of putting our people first," said Jaffari Matundu, the bank's Chief Executive Officer. "Our employees exemplify that mission daily, providing exceptional service to our customers. This event allows us to recognize their collective effort and celebrate the successes that would not be possible without them."

He said the milestone will be marked in all the bank's 30 branches nationwide with selected CSR projects across the country.

The bank further committed to continue providing its customers with innovative products and services as it positions itself for bigger competition in the East Africa region.

"To continue to achieve our objectives, the coming years will demand more innovation, dedication, secure and efficient technology, quality customer service and above all, dynamic engagement with the support of our customers, business partners, regulators and our shareholders," he mentioned.

Speaking on the occasion, Fredrick Kanga Exim Bank's Head of Human Resources, thanked the employees and acknowledged the important role of every staff member in shaping the progress of the bank.

He said the long service tenures among some employees of the bank

portray a level of trust and commitment on the part of both employees as well as the bank and reflect the employee's loyalty to the bank.

According to him, the very premise behind Exim's human resource development strategy has been the manifestation of endless possibilities for career growth, alongside a much-needed flexibility to change and a collection of opportunities to learn.

"We have, since the beginning, opened our doors to those who want to live their dreams and pursue careers that are reflective of their skills and passion. And, over the years, we have seen that our policy to provide career options with endless possibilities, has helped pave the way for a strong human capital; one that wants to be a longtime partner," he stated.

He said the bank was founded in 1997 in Dar es Salaam as a friendly, innovative with 16 dedicated employees.

"Today, Exim Bank has grown to one of the strongest banks in Africa with presence in 5 countries and over 900 employees who still carry on the time-honored tradition of helping families and businesses grow stronger financially," he proudly announced.

Attesting to the other employees of the bank, Eugene Massawe, the bank's Group Head-Branch Operations who was honored along with others for completing 25 years with the bank, maintained that his role in the bank has been that of a partner from the beginning.

"I am delighted to continue giving my best to this partnership for the benefit of the bank, as well as for myself. My personal and professional goals are aligned to Exim Bank's long-term growth roadmap and this reciprocated work environment keeps me motivated" he exclaimed, adding that he has grown personally and professionally in the last 25 years.

By Correspondent Valentine

Oforo, Dodoma

Milk processing plant expansion in Dodoma set boost dairy sector

THE Dodoma-based small-scale milk processing plant—Dodoma Halihi Limited is in the process of expanding its production capacity to 250,000 liters per day.

The move, according to the factory's Managing Director, Antony Msanga is a major boost to the vital socio-economic sector in the country.

Msanga said the factory is set to implement a number of strategies, including procuring improved dairy cattle from South Africa, opening a major pasture field as well as installing modern machines.

He said in an effort to solve challenges of shortage of milk supply, they will assist farmers to ensure they adopt crossbred cattle and recommended pasture and forage, but also to impart farmers with scientific knowledge and skills on how to manage their dairy cattle professionally.

"We plan to sponsor at least seven livestock officers from Dodoma to attend a month-long training at the National Artificial Insemination Centre (NAIC) as part of efforts to ensure dairy farmers have access to crossbred cows," he said.

Msanga added: "We entered a working contract with the Foundation of Upholding Agriculture Practices (FUAP), the partnership which will see dairy farmers imparted with useful knowledge on pasture and forage."

Throughout the project, farmers will be trained on how best to produce pastures by the use of hydroponic fodder technology, as well as proper forage storage, he said.

Msanga said they have so far registered a number of successes, including installation of at least two milk storage tanks, with the capacity to store 3,500 and 6,500 liters respectively.

He said the plant has successfully managed to donate a total of 10 milk cans to some groups of dairy farmers in Rungwe and helped them to graduate from poverty through selling milk to it, especially those from

Mbeya, Morogoro, and Kilimanjaro regions. "We are experiencing an acute shortage of milk supply from dairy farmers in Dodoma; we have often been purchasing milk from other regions," remarked Msanga.


With little financial muscle, the plant has managed to open a major milk bar, which

is a current fresh milk destination point among most residents of the capital city.

"We decided to initiate the bar as part of our efforts to instill a milk drinking culture among locals, this will help us to comply with the level recommended by the World Health Organisation (WHO) of drinking 200 litres annually per individual," he

added.

Statistics show that there are 99 milk processing factories with the capacity to produce 865,600 liters per day, but due to low production and availability of milk from farmers, industries are only processing 203,600 litres, equivalent to 23.52 percent of their production capacity.



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SALE OF USED ITEMS

The International School of Tanganyika is selling used items as detailed below:

Description of item:

Item	Condition	Quantity
1. MINI BUS, 30 SEATER MAKE – NISSAN MODEL: CIVILIAN MODEL NO: UVTVRCFW41NCBACEDA, COLOUR: YELLOW REGISTRATION NO. T473ACP ENGINE NO: TD42167673 ENGINE CAPACITY: 4169, DIESEL YEAR OF MANUFACTURE: 2003	Good running condition	1
2. STEEL FRAME(FOR HOLDING) SIZE 130*130CM	Good condition	60

Inspection can be done during office hours at UN Road campus, Upanga and Masaki campus.


Contact persons:
Gaspar Kimario
(Mobile no. 0716 626201) /

Smachus Mukurasi
(Mobile number 0785 865567)

Offers in writing to be emailed to bids@istafrica.com latest by 3.00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 30, 2022

The school reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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EAST AFRICAN CRUDE OIL PIPELINE

READVERTISEMENT: REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME FOR VULNERABLE ETHNIC GROUPS SELF IDENTIFYING AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES FOR EACOP REFERENCE NO. 10007446

EACOP Ltd, invites experienced and reputable organizations (Companies or NGOs) to express their interest in designing and implementation social investment programme for Vulnerable Ethnic Groups Self-identifying as Indigenous Peoples that are impacted by the EACOP Project.

The EACOP project involves the construction and operation of a buried, cross-border pipeline to transport crude oil from the Lake Albert area in Uganda to the eastern coast of Tanzania for export to international markets. The pipeline will run from Kabaale in Hoima District, Uganda to Chongoleani, Tanga Region, in Tanzania. The length of the pipeline is 1,443 km, of which 1,147 km will be in Tanzania.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THE SERVICES

EACOP is seeking the services of a suitably experienced organization (Companies or NGOs may respond to this EO) to design and implement social investment and capacity building programmes for around 30 communities of vulnerable ethnic groups self-identifying as indigenous peoples directly affected by the EACOP project. These communities are located in Tabora, Manyara, Dodoma and Tanga regions.

Programme design will focus on support to the traditional livelihoods (pastoralist or hunter gatherer) of these groups including but not limited to land management, livestock health and management, women's specific needs and should be designed using an integrated approach that takes consideration of conservation requirements and sustainability.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:
Organizations expressing their interest are invited to document their request with:

- Proof of experience of the design and delivery of community development programmes for vulnerable ethnic groups self-identifying as indigenous peoples.
- Proof of registration and current business license for companies or NGO registration for NGOs.
- Proof of registration with the Tanzania Revenue Authority and Tax (TRA) Clearance Certificate for the latest year available.
- Application for registration with the EWURA Local Supplier Service Provider (LSSP) database at the time of submission of the response to this expression of interest is strongly recommended.
- Compliance with Petroleum Local Content Regulations, 2017 and Local Company definition.
- Joint ventures between national and international companies or organizations are accepted.

Organizations which have the ability, capacity and resources to implement the activities listed above should express their interest by sending together with the documents stated in the above section through an email to procurement.tz@eacop.com (max. email size 20Mb) on or before **15:00 hours East African Time (EAT), on 24th August 2022**. Email subject should be **REFERENCE NO. 10007446**.

Note: The EACOP project will review and assess the documents provided by the interested companies to derive a list of prequalified organizations (Companies or NGOs). Only prequalified companies will receive, subject signature of a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), invitation to submit bids in furtherance of the call for tender process.

All Expression of Interests should be submitted in English Language.



Many Tanzanians missing out on insurance services - TIRA

By Guardian Correspondent, Arusha

MANY Tanzanians are missing out on insurance services as the country grapples with low insurance rates in rural areas, Commissioner of Insurance of the Tanzania Insurance Regulatory Authority (TIRA) Dr Baghayo Saqware has said.

Dr Saqware made the statement recently during the Tanzania Insurance Brokers Association (TIBA) Annual General Meeting in Arusha.

He stated that there was little awareness on insurance-related services in rural Tanzania due to poor penetration rate.

"As we strive to boost the industry it is also imperative to take note of how many Tanzanians are enjoying these services," he said, adding that Tanzania's insurance penetration is estimated to be below one percent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

The country's insurance penetration remained steady at 0.53 percent in 2018, compared to 0.54 per cent in 2017 while on the other hand; Tanzania's insurance density grew by 2.2 percent.

According to TIRA, around 6.47

million adults use insurance products in the country.

Dr Saqware expressed confidence that the sector is heading in the right direction, the challenges notwithstanding.

"The authority acknowledges the challenges marring the industry particularly insurance companies and brokers as we remain committed to resolve them," he said.

As of December 2018, the Tanzanian insurance sector consisted of 30 insurance companies, 109 insurance brokers, and 635 insurance agents.

President of Tanzania Insurance Brokers Association (TIBA), Amir Kivanda commended the government for ensuring a good business environment for the private sector.

He was optimistic that the insurance sector would take its part in supporting the desired economic growth.

He said: "A thriving and friendly business environment is a reliable source of insurance business."

The five-day conference brought together more than 200 participants from the East African Community (EAC) member states. They included insurance companies, brokers, banks and loss assessors.



Zuwena Senkondo, Barrick Bulyanulu Gold Mine's acting community relations and environment manager, makes remarks at the weekend's launch in Shinyanga municipality of a TV programme on the mining sector known as 'Thamani ya Madini' (literally, 'the value of minerals'). Left is Barrick Buzwagi Mine's closure supervisor, Michael Wilson, who sponsored the event. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Policy review: TALA wants farmers, herders' concerns taken on board for solutions

By Correspondent Gerald Kitabu

THE Tanzania Land Alliance (TALA) has called upon the government to make sure that concerns of smallholder producers and livestock keepers are taken on board.

The call came at the time when government ministries continue with reviewing policies, programmes and strategies.

The alliance works to enhance equitable access to control over, and ownership of land and natural resources through community empowerment, participatory research, joint advocacy and networking.

It has also called upon the general public and smallholder producers in particular, to make sure that they use the opportunity provided by the government to review policies to air their views and comments so that they can be incorporated.

In separate interviews during the meeting to discuss agricultural land based investment in Tanzania held in Dar es Salaam over the weekend they said the main producers of food in this country are the smallholder farmers as such the process of reviewing policies, programmes and strategies should give them required weight.

Discussing the situational analysis in the context of secure land tenure rights of small holder producers for sustainable development, TALA National coordinator Benard Baha called upon all smallholder producers to take advantage of policies review to penetrate their views and comments so that they can be incorporated into policies.

"There are many challenges facing smallholder farmers as far as agricultural land based investments are concerned. I call upon you all to take that opportunity to air your views so that they can be taken on board," he stressed.

He said as the government proceeds with policy review exercise all groups of people from different backgrounds should be heard and their comments incorporated so that the new policies could be inclusive.

"These smallholder farmers are the main producers of this country. If that is the case, any policy review should first consider their comments to improve and enhance their production and productivity," he said.

Land tenure specialist for Landesa Masalu Luhula said it is very important for the government to invest in smallholder producers because the record shows it's the small holder farmers who have been feeding the nation and ensuring food security and nutrition for centuries in the country.

"It is very important to subsidize their production as well as incentives that have been given to the big investments and companies," he said.

He said the government should target quality investment rather than looking

at the big number of investments because some have ended up being burden to the investment surrounding community and the nation at large.

He said both local and foreign investments should undergo serious scrutiny to identify genuine investors rather than ghost investors who don't comply with responsible investments.

"My message to the general public is that they should make sure that they are well informed regarding all investment process and procedures regarding policy development saying first things are happening when they are directed by the policy and second is the legal reforms that happen in the sector.

Adam Mwarabu from Parakuiyo Pastoralists Indigenous Community Development Organisation (PAICODEO) advised the government to monitor and evaluate the investments instead of giving them opportunity to invest and then they are left unmonitored.

"There must be instruments to look after them. I advice that there must be check and balance and encourage those who are responsible and adhere to the laws of the land and respects the communities around that area," he said.

"In some areas, investors have fueled land conflicts with the surrounding communities due to unfair land acquisition process and procedures. We need harmony, peace and development. That's why I advice that these investments should be monitored regularly and encourage genuine investors," he said.

According to the participants mainly from civil society organisations and those from agro-sector, land and investment policy developments are marred by a number of challenges such as limited coordination and regulation of investment activities, limited participation of main stakeholders in formulation of policies that govern investment matters and in addition to that the focus of the policy review is on promotion of foreign investment and less attention to local investments.



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By Correspondent Joseph Mwendapole

DAR ES SALAAM Water and Sanitation Authority (DAWASA) has invested 1.1trn/- to implement different water projects in Coast and Dar es Salaam regions, something which will greatly help improve supply of clean and safe water to residents.

Cyprian Luhemeja, DAWASA's chief executive officer said this over the weekend when speaking on the implementation of various projects for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years.

Eng Luhemeja said the investment is aimed at facilitating a full supply of water in the two regions by the year 2023.

"The authority has done the best to strengthen the availability of clean and safe water by 96 percent for Dar es Salaam and Coast Region through the strategic business plan which is implemented for three years from (2021/22 - 2023/24)," he said.

Dawasa invests 1.1trn/- to execute water projects in Coast, D'Salaam

Dawasa is geared towards facilitating water supply by 100 percent to the populace and meet 60 percent of sanitation in its areas of service, according to him.

"We've succeeded in providing water services for 96 percent thus going in line with the CCM election manifesto which instructed that by 2025 availability of water should be 95 percent in towns and 85 percent in rural areas," he asserted.

He said they have recorded the achievements due the authority's teamwork spirit and hard work through its engineers who implement big strategic projects including the expansion of Upper and Lower Ruvu, construction of 4,700 kilometers of water pipes and construction of water reserve tanks.

He said the number of customers has also increased from 217,766 in 2018 up to 370,982 consumers for the year 2022.

He mentioned some strategic projects implemented as Makongo to Bagamoyo, Jeti - Buza, Mkuranga, Pugu - Gongo la Mboto, Kibamba - Kisarawe, Mlandizi - Chalinze - Mboga, Mbwawa, Soga, Zegereni and other projects to improve Information and Communication Technology (ICT) systems.

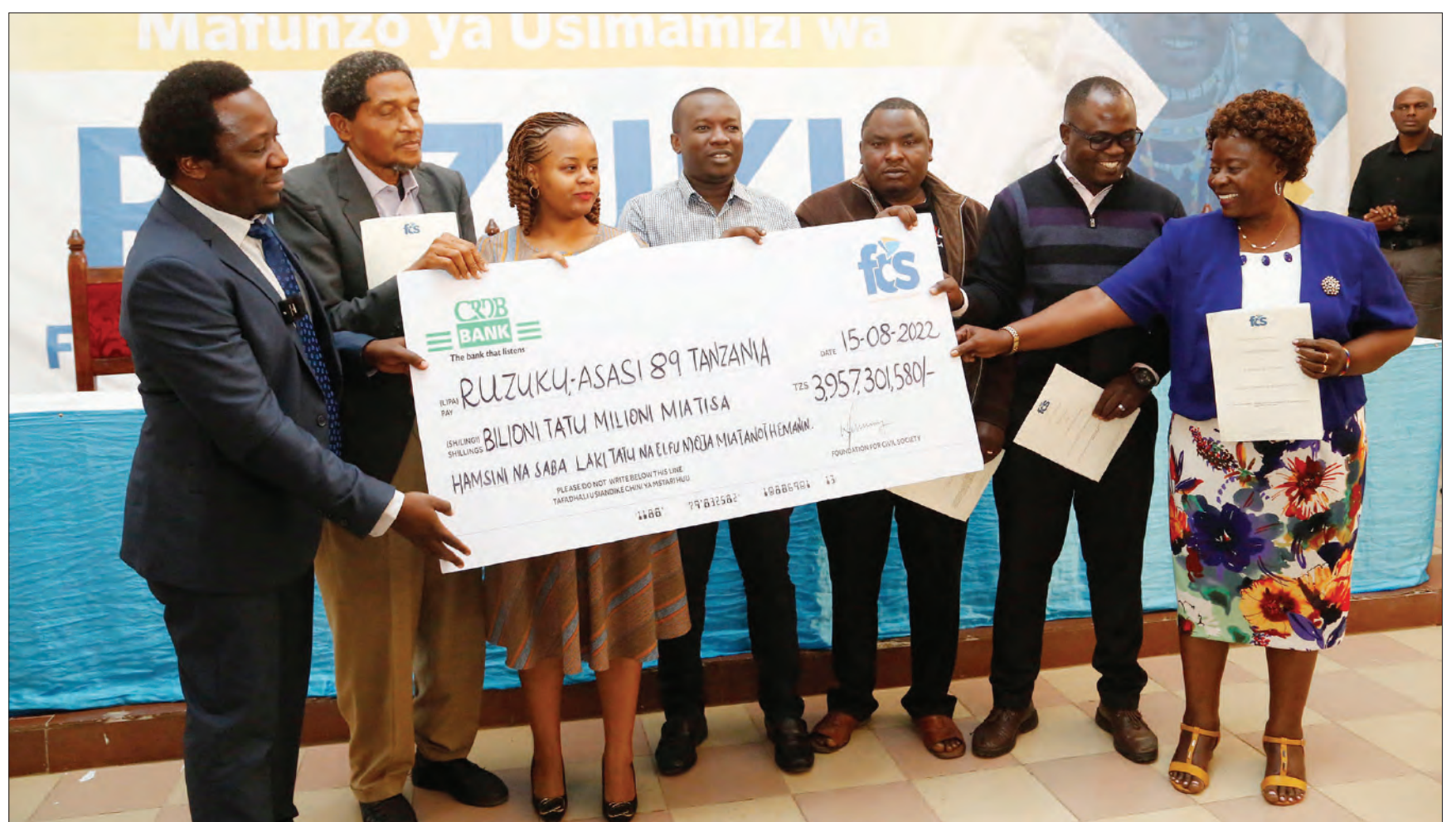
Eng Luhemeja said the completion of the projects and sanitation has enabled the commencement of other projects like to connect new clients with clean water.

"In the current 2022/23 financial year, Dawasa intends to commence implementation of the Kidunda water

project and we expect the contractor to be on site from October this year. This strategic project will help to increase water availability in Dar es Salaam and Coast Region and the residents will start enjoying clean water throughout the year," he said.

He further said the Rufiji water project also expects to produce 750 million liters of water per day and on its completion, it will strengthen availability of water services in Dar es Salaam and Coast Region.

The CEO also reminded Tanzanians to be prepared for the forthcoming national Housing and Population Census slated for August 23, saying that the exercise was important because it will help the government to have correct statistics so as to plan well for its people and the country.



Foundation for Civil Society executive director Francis Kiwanga (L) pictured in Dodoma city yesterday presenting a dummy cheque for over 3.9bn/- to 89 groups from Zanzibar and mainland Tanzania for supporting the implementation of various development projects during financial year 2022/2023. Photo: Guardian Correspondent

Census is not about establishing poll tax - RC

By Guardian Correspondent, Shinyanga

SHINYANGA Regional Commissioner, Sophia Mjema has called upon the region's residents to ignore misleading reports regarding the Population and Housing Census slated for August 23 this year.

She said there have been reports that Census' intention is to enable the government have details in order to start collecting poll tax.

RC Mjema made the remarks at the weekend at a public meeting as she mobilised the people to emerge in huge numbers for enumeration.

She said residents of Shinyanga Region should ignore these misleading reports, and instead they should emerge for enumeration to enable the government make development plans for the people including the provision of various social services.

"In no way the aim of the census exercise concerns

poll tax, ignore these reports," she stressed.

Earlier, Shinyanga Chief Sheikh Ismail Mkusanya called upon the residents to fully participate in the Population and Housing Census for their own development. The Bishop of the Evangelist Assemblies of God Tanzania church (EAGT), Raphael Machumu called on religious leaders to continue working together with the government by mobilising believers to emerge for enumeration.



INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF JOHN DEERE (OEM) SPARES TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA

I. INTRODUCTION

Geita Gold Mining Limited ("The Company") an AngloGold Ashanti's ("AGA") asset is located in north-western Tanzania, in the Lake Victoria goldfields of the Geita region, about 5km from Geita town.

The Company is in the process of Procuring John Deere (OEM) spares and is, therefore, inviting interested eligible suppliers to submit Expression of Interest for the supply of the equipment's as detailed below.

NB: THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED BELOW MUST BE SUBMITTED WHEN EXPRESSING INTEREST ON THIS SERVICE/WORK. QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WILL BE SUBJECTED TO ANGLO GOLD ASHANTI VETTING PROCESS.

Scope of work:

REFERENCE NUMBER	SERVICE DESCRIPTION
GGME01255	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF JOHN DEERE (OEM) SPARES TO GGML

II. INFORMATION REQUIRED

PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	20%
COMMERCIAL	
Company Profile	1.54%
Company Code of Conduct	1.54%
Company Code of Ethics	1.54%
Copy of registration/Incorporation Certificate	1.54%
Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate (TCC)	1.54%
Copy of 2021 BRELA search Registration Documents	1.54%
Copy of Company Memorandum and Article of Association	1.54%
Copy of Latest BRELA Application of Annual Returns	1.54%
Copy of TIN Certificate of Firm/company and VRN	1.54%
Copy of Current Business Permit/Trade license.	1.54%
Company Shareholding Structure (ownership of shares in percentage (%), Share certificates and Passport/Voter or National ID card for Management & Shareholders	1.54%
List of Directors	1.54%
Compliance with the Mining (Local Content) Regulations, 2018 by having Local Content plan - Approved by mining Commission	1.54%
FINANCIAL POSITION & TERMS OF TRADE	5%
Audited & certified financial statements (2019-2020)	2.5%
At least 1 reference from the applicant's banker regarding supplier's credit position	2.5%
SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	5%
OSHA Compliance Certificate	1.25%
Workers Compensation Fund Certificate/ any proof of compliance	1.25%
Environmental Management Plan / Programme / Policy	1.25%
Health and Safety Programme	1.25%
OTHER POLICIES	5%
Gifts / Hospitality / Sponsorship Policy / Procedure	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Forced and Child Labour	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Abuse, Discrimination and Harassment	1%
Grievance Procedure	1%
Human Rights Policy / Procedure / Programme	1%
PAST EXPERIENCE	5%
At least 3 names of the applicant's clients, value and duration of the contracts entered with the clients in the past two years (must be listed)	1.7%
Signed contracts/LPOs (proof of the above)	1.7%
Provide at least 3 recommendation letters from different clients	1.7%
TECHNICAL CRITERIA (GGME01255)	60%
Proof of JOHN DEERE spares dealership or distributorship letter	15%
Endorsement letter from OEM to supply genuine parts	15%
Proof of Three (3) or more years delivery experience of JOHN DEERE spares	15%
Proof of Warranty provision certificate	15%
Total	100%

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INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE PROVISION FOR HIRING OF LOW BED TRAILER OF A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF 150TON TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA

I. INTRODUCTION

Geita Gold Mining Limited ("The Company") an AngloGold Ashanti's ("AGA") asset is located in north-western Tanzania, in the Lake Victoria goldfields of the Geita region, about 5km from Geita town.

The Company is in the process of Procuring a service of Hiring Low Bed Trailer and is, therefore, inviting interested eligible suppliers to submit Expression of Interest for the provision of the service as detailed below.

NB: THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED BELOW MUST BE SUBMITTED WHEN EXPRESSING INTEREST ON THIS SERVICE/WORK. QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WILL BE SUBJECTED TO ANGLO GOLD ASHANTI VETTING PROCESS.

Scope of work:

REFERENCE NUMBER	SERVICE DESCRIPTION
GGME01464	PROVISION FOR HIRING OF LOW BED TRAILER OF A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF 150TON TO GEITA GOLD MINING LIMITED (GGML) TANZANIA

II. INFORMATION REQUIRED

PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	20%
COMMERCIAL	
Company Profile	1.54%
Company Code of Conduct	1.54%
Company Code of Ethics	1.54%
Copy of registration/Incorporation Certificate	1.54%
Copy of Valid Tax Clearance Certificate (TCC)	1.54%
Copy of 2021 BRELA search Registration Documents	1.54%
Copy of Company Memorandum and Article of Association	1.54%
Copy of Latest BRELA Application of Annual Returns	1.54%
Copy of TIN Certificate of Firm/company and VRN	1.54%
Copy of Current Business Permit/Trade license.	1.54%
Company Shareholding Structure (ownership of shares in percentage (%), Share certificates and Passport/Voter or National ID card for Management & Shareholders	1.54%
List of Directors	1.54%
Compliance with the Mining (Local Content) Regulations, 2018 by having Local Content plan - Approved by mining Commission	1.54%
FINANCIAL POSITION & TERMS OF TRADE	5%
Audited & certified financial statements (2019-2020)	2.5%
At least 1 reference from the applicant's banker regarding supplier's credit position	2.5%
SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS	5%
OSHA Compliance Certificate	1.25%
Workers Compensation Fund Certificate/ any proof of compliance	1.25%
Environmental Management Plan / Programme / Policy	1.25%
Health and Safety Programme	1.25%
OTHER POLICIES	5%
Gifts / Hospitality / Sponsorship Policy / Procedure	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Forced and Child Labour	1%
Policies / Procedures dealing with Abuse, Discrimination and Harassment	1%
Grievance Procedure	1%
Human Rights Policy / Procedure / Programme	1%
PAST EXPERIENCE	5%
At least 3 names of the applicant's clients, value and duration of the contracts entered with the clients in the past two years (must be listed)	1.7%
Signed contracts/LPOs (proof of the above)	1.7%
Provide at least 3 recommendation letters from different clients	1.7%
TECHNICAL CRITERIA (GGME01464)	60%
Proof of maintenance History of Low bed to be hired	10%
Evidence of letting lowbed to different company	10%
Proof of Warranty certificates	10%
Proof of insurance certificates	10%
CV and certificates of technicians and key personnel	10%
Loading ramp should be heavy duty hydraulic cylinder operated	10%
Total	100%

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For 30 years, govt has urged local contractors to perform

ANOTHER session where the government reminds local contractors that it often has to walk a tight rope in seeking to provide them with work in development projects was visible at the weekend when President Samia Suluhu Hassan, just finishing a lengthy regional tour, witnessed as a road construction event. She directed the Tanzania Rural and Urban Roads Authority (TARURA) to report poorly performing contractors to the registration board for revocation of their certificates or licences. Usually it is their companies that were being deregistered.

Deregistration of a company is something a contractor can live with though it is with a train of implications, like having to become a junior partner to someone else who is in good books of the Contractors Registration Board (CRB). Cancellation of licences and especially of certificates is something else, as here the person may lose identification as an engineer, unless the rules aren't so stringent. More often than not, professions may bar someone from practising, while he remains qualified.

The problem that the government faces in that regard is understandable and to that extent, complicated. That is what comes across when one looks at the president's remarks in a ceremony to witnessing the signing of 696 contracts where the rural roads agency pacted with the local firms. She said the government cannot tolerate local contractors who perform dismally even after the government has secured work for them and payment has been made. It was a difficult to choice to do so but it has to be made, as part of an inclusive policy as in other financial spheres.

There was an observation that in the past local contractors did not get government tenders, causing periodic uproars but when the government received COVID-19 relief funds, it opted to provide them with contracts to build classrooms, hospitals, dispensaries and health centres, but then some are performing poorly. Perhaps it is more common to find local contractors in private building work, but there is plenty of work with local governments, and the roads agency is involved in central as well as local government work, to an extent. Still they have a lot more work at present.

While it is definitely the case that measures need to be taken on those who seek to play with government money, the trouble is that at times it is a collective decision, not just one person playing foul.

The positive aspect is that we have come a long way in that aspect, as for instance the last annual report of the Controller and Auditor General has let to plenty of heads rolling in various areas, as times audibly and often quietly. This puts those bent of misappropriation via shoddy work on notice, that consequences are likely, as contractors must get allies to conduct fraud.

What is also vital is that the level of demand from the people and their elected representatives is higher than earlier, where the fact of loyalty to the ruling party or visible appreciation of the party in regard to this or that fellow was a strong plus in elections. Routine sharing of work with small firms in the patronage of councilors was routine, and no one expected anything more than shoddy work. With CCM in difficulties since the 2010 polls, this merry go round was soon brought to a halt.

Rural electrification effect on rapid urban migration salutary

TOP officials of the Rural Energy Agency (REA) say that the rate of connection of villages to the national grid and solar power sources in the country is virtually without parallel in sub-Saharan Africa. Even without having to check a bevy of corroborating statistics, a few routine observations in that regard are somewhat revelatory of the wider, outstretched reality. It is less as regard to the fact that nearly three trillion shillings has been spent for rural electrification projects in the country since 2007, but rather because all villages will be connected by late 2025.

This position has been repeated to members of Parliament on many occasions, and REA is saying that it is achievable, that at the current pace connecting all villages in the next three years is feasible. The government is taking electricity even to the farthest rural areas, where youths are beginning to get to be used to remain there, no longer leaving their villages to attend secondary school for instance. Once the migration wish is eclipsed at that period, it needs plenty of reasons to develop later.

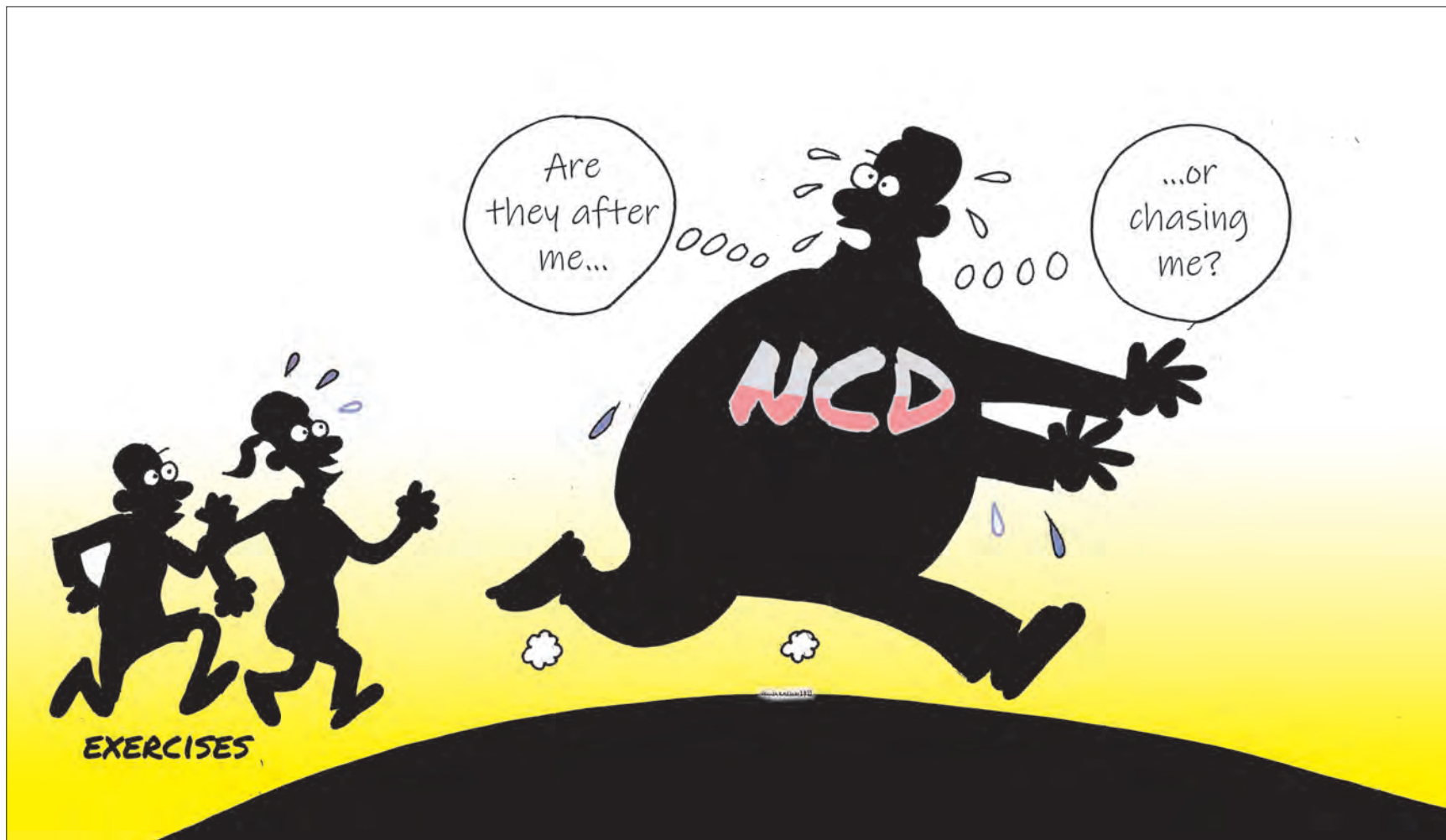
Usually connecting villages to grid electricity, and solar outfitting these days, is quite often seen as an aspect of social welfare, especially as enabling a community to move from lamps to bulbs. Admittedly that is what is most important about grid connection, even before economic activities tied with electricity connection are listed. Often the pay-off isn't automatic, and thus there are subsidized rates of power consumption in rural area, but whatever the case, one major impact isn't to end wood fuel needs

like charcoal. Even gas isn't an easy replacement due to costs.

An undeniable grid connection dividend is the mushrooming informal sector in villages once there is electricity, as houses and verandahs - even streets reliant on security lights in houses - permits easier activity after dark. Lit up places look safer in comparison with dark alleys or passing through the bush, while the rise of a radio and television culture already makes a difference, as repair units prop up, meanwhile as better roads bring up motorcycles and riders start to eke out a living doing several rides a day. Water pumps increase, irrigation catches up, and houses.

So there is a better chance for youths trying to fit into a village existence even after secondary school and often with some technical or vocational training. Usable occupations with regular incomes replace seasonal crops in villages, and it is hard to start anything without the provision of reliable electricity. When this is the case hopefully as expected by end of 2025, some of the worst worries faced by the public authorities, a vast urban population with little to do, will be more sustainably tackled as many entrepreneurs will start activities in villages.

Connecting all villages with grid electricity and all districts, even wards with tarmac roads isn't just an economic need. It fosters national unity when the visible differences of how this or that region looks like are diminished, as feelings of neglect often arise from the poor provision of vital utilities like reliable electricity and tarmac roads. The lack of such provisions lowers self-esteem in communities, all too often making violence attractive.



By Jagannadha Pawan Tamvada and
Rashedur Chowdhury

THESE'S a good chance that you would like to see COVID disappear for good. And you may also wish for an end to the war in Ukraine - or any other war for that matter.

But would you feel the same way if you were the head of a big pharmaceutical corporation which has seen a massive surge in profits over the last couple of years? Or if you ran a company which manufactures weapons?

For these industries, a pandemic or a war might be considered a time of clear economic opportunity, when it would make no sense for them to work towards ending a particular illness or conflict. They have no motivation or incentive to do so.

But this creates a serious problem. How does society as a whole tackle major issues when the people with the power to do something are economically motivated to do nothing?

Take COVID for example, and the massive profits made by the pharmaceutical firms which succeeded in coming up with effective vaccines. Arguably the best economic scenario for them is to keep selling booster shots for billions of people around the world for years to come.

Of course, that doesn't really work for the rest of us. But our research shows why many industries thrive on the fact that problems are more profitable than solutions.

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Corporations want to profit from the world's problems

The idea that corporations are not always motivated to seek solutions which are in wider society's best interests is something we call the "paradox of incentives". This refers to when corporate structures are more favourably aligned with the world's biggest problems than with finding answers.

In fact, think of any serious issue facing the world, and there is likely to be a corporation, or a group of powerful people, who benefit from its existence. The paradox of incentives can be seen in everything from the staggering profits of the oil sector as climate change accelerates, to gun lobbies preventing reforms restricting access to weapons, and increasing house prices benefiting property investors and developers over buyers.

Another example is weapon manufacturers, which make astronomical profits during a conflict. Increased demand allows these firms to charge high prices and make more money.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine, which has had a negative economic impact on millions around the world, has led to record profits for some of the biggest corporations in the defence and energy sectors. One of the world's biggest problems has led to some major profits being made.

The case of COVID

Our research into the actions of big pharma during the pandemic, highlights the negative effects of this approach on society. But it also gave us some hints on how things might be improved.

To begin with, we found that there should be a limit to the rewards given to CEOs and executives who often receive large salaries and bonuses directly tied to a firm's profits. Such financial incentives motivate leaders to make decisions that generate greater profits for their firms rather than advancing public interest.

There also needs to be much greater transparency when it comes to how governments subsidise research that leads to new medicines and vaccines, and making this kind of taxpayer-funded knowledge more accessible and available.

If pharmaceutical companies became more open in this way, firms in developing countries would be able to manufacture similar products at significantly lower cost for some of the poorest populations in the world.

At a global level, there should be efforts towards an international agreement (it does occasionally happen) to offer significant rewards to firms which fast-track innovations for a more enduring treatment for COVID.

For while there may be significant benefits for the company which finds a cure (or a one-off vaccine), the overwhelming effect of the paradox of incentives in the pharmaceutical industry means more needs to be done to counter it.

More broadly, to resolve the universal and detrimental impact of this paradox of incentives, an even bigger shake up of capitalism is required. The arms trade needs to be deescalated through global treaties to the point that it no longer exists, while the world's natural resources should be widely shared and treated as common global assets.

For the time being though, we should at least try and become more aware of how the paradox of incentives affects all of our lives. The next time you test positive for COVID, or despair at the missiles being launched in Ukraine, or worry about your next gas bill, remember that not everyone sees these incidents as problems that need to be fixed. Your problem equals someone else's profit - and until that changes, the world's biggest challenges will remain unresolved.

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Africans disproportionately disadvantaged

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use of voice-based interfaces such as Amazon's Alexa, Google's Siri, and Google's Home Assistant, it is estimated that internet searches by voice will far outnumber other search methods in 2022.

Natural language understanding (NLU) is an area of study within artificial intelligence (AI), providing text, speech, or a combination of the two as input to computers. Enabling human-computer interaction, computers can interpret commands without the codified syntax of computer languages because they can understand human languages.

Most of us have interacted with rudimentary NLU technology through chatbots. Often a popup on an internet browser or a mobile phone application, these bots aim to answer our questions - a job that human would otherwise do. Unfortunately interacting with this technology is often a source of frustration. Able to only understand and answer the most basic questions, bots are often no more than glorified FAQ apps.

But increasingly, many internet chats use conversational AI that is able to understand the meaning behind questions, and utilises all available data to provide suitable answers. The technology is a great deal more efficient and user-friendly than its forebears.

The societal benefits of conversational AI are vast. Able to provide contextual and accurate advice on important topics such as financial planning and healthcare, these platforms are destined to become our primary go-to advisors.

Imagine your young child is severely ill with a fever and you desperately need advice fast. Imagine speaking to an AI application on your phone, describing the problem and having the techno-advisor understand you, and provide quick and accurate advice.

Now imagine you are in a similarly perilous situation, but that English is your third or fourth language - or that you do not speak English at all - what are you to do? You can neither

communicate your problem, nor get a satisfactory response from the platform.

With an estimated 3,000 different languages and dialects, Africans are disproportionately disadvantaged in accessing technology that is usually available only in English, and major European languages.

So there is a pressing need to create language data sets unique to our continent. Fortunately, there are already many initiatives like Masakhane, a grassroots organisation which is at the forefront of developing African language data for conversational AI applications.

Zindi, a network of data scientists in Africa, in cooperation with AI4D-Africa - a coalition of AI researchers - are working on support and funding for Natural Language Processing initiatives on the continent.

My hope is that soon the languages, idioms and expressions of my son's friends will be fully understood by devices that are taking pride of place in our lives.

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Description	Tender No.	Procurement Method	Invitation for Bidding		Bid Evaluation and approval of award			Plan vs Actual
			Bid Date	Invitation Closing Date	Submission Bid Evaluation Report	Approval by TB	Date notification of Award	
GOODS								
Supply of electricity energy meters under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/G/RICB/2022-23/01	RICB	26/08/2022	22/09/2022	13/10/2022	20/10/2022	12/05/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of distribution transformers under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/G/RICB/2022-23/02	RICB	26/08/2022	22/09/2022	13/10/2022	20/10/2022	12/05/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of wooden poles under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/G/RICB/2022-23/03	RICB	26/08/2022	22/09/2022	13/10/2022	20/10/2022	12/05/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of concrete poles	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/04	NCB	23/09/2022	24/10/2022	11/02/2022	11/04/2022	17/11/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of various cables and conductors under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/G/ICB/2022-23/05	ICB	26/08/2022	10/10/2022	25/10/2022	31/10/2022	11/10/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of high tension and low tension materials under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/G/RICB/2022-23/06	RICB	26/08/2022	22/09/2022	13/10/2022	20/10/2022	12/05/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of spare parts for repairs and maintenance of motor vehicles	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/07	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Supply of computers and network equipments	SMZ/F0120/G/ICB/2022-23/08	ICB	26/08/2022	10/10/2022	25/10/2022	31/10/2022	11/10/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of staff uniform and protective clothes	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/09	NCB	23/09/2022	24/10/2022	11/02/2022	11/04/2022	17/11/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of working tools	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/10	NCB	26/08/2022	26/9/2022	10/06/2022	10/10/2022	25/10/2022	Plan Actual
Supply of Motor Vehicles	SMZ/F0120/G/ICB/2022-23/11	ICB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Supply of office stationeries and consumables	SMZ/F0120/G/D/2022-23/12	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Supply of Fuel for Motor Vehicles and Generators	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/13	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
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Supply and fixing of office furnitures	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/15	NCB	23/09/2022	24/10/2022	11/02/2022	11/04/2022	17/11/2022	Plan Actual
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Supply of generators spare parts	SMZ/F0120/G/NCB/2022-23/17	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Supply of Salt and charcoal for earthing	SMZ/F0120/G/OQ/2022-23/18	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Supply Of Electrical And Air Conditions Accessories	SMZ/F0120/G/OQ/2022-23/19	OQ	22/8/2022	09/05/2022	09/12/2022	15/9/2022	29/09/2022	Plan Actual
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Maintenance and construction works	SMZ/F0120/W/NCB/2022-23/21	NCB	26/08/2022	26/9/2022	10/06/2022	10/10/2022	25/10/2022	Plan Actual
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Construction of Zeco head office Pemba	SMZ/F0120/W/NCB/2022-23/23	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
NON CONSULTANCY SERVICES								
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Excavation of holes and tranches under framework contract	SMZ/F0120/NC/NCB/2022-23/26	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of clearing and forwarding services	SMZ/F0120/NC/OQ/2022-23/27	OQ	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of internet services	SMZ/F0120/NC/NCB/2022-23/28	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of maintenance and servicing of motor vehicles	SMZ/F0120/NC/OQ/2022-23/29	OQ	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of sap business one user licences	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/30	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of bush clearing services	SMZ/F0120/NC/NCB/2022-23/31	NCB	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of renewal of sophos security services licenses	SMZ/F0120/NC/OQ/2022-23/32	OQ	13/10/2022	14/11/2022	28/11/2022	12/01/2022	19/12/2022	Plan Actual
Provision of firepower licenses	SMZ/F0120/NC/OQ/2022-23/33	OQ	13/10/2022	14/11/2022	28/11/2022	12/01/2022	19/12/2022	Plan Actual
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Provision of Aheeva (sip call centre system)	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/36	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
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Provision of call center system (sip support)	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/39	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
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Provision of USSD application	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/43	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
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Provision of Suprema system maintenance support services	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/45	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
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Provision of preventative maintenance for circuit breaker	SMZ/F0120/NC/D/2022-23/47	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
CONSULTANCY SERVICES								
Provision of auditing services	SMZ/F0120/C/D/2022-23/01	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual
Provision of Consultancy service for review of financial policy	SMZ/F0120/C/D/2022-23/02	D	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan Actual

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ABBREVIATIONS:

- ICB
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- NCB
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- N/A

DESCRIPTIONS

- INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
- RESTRICTED INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
- NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
- Open Quotation
- Single Source Selection
- Direct
- Goods
- Consultancy Services
- Non Consultancy Services
- Works
- Not Applicable

NAIROBI

As a veteran insurance sales agent, Farahana Mghoi used to spend seven hours on a matatus, the public service vehicles in Kenya, from her hometown of Voi in southeastern Kenya to Nairobi to meet a potential client. It was both slow and tiresome.

Since 2018, time spent on the 328-km journey has been reduced to four hours thanks to the Mombasa-Nairobi Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) passenger train service launched in May 2017.

Financed mainly by China and constructed by China Road and Bridge Corporation, the 480-km railway connecting Mombasa, the largest port in East Africa, and Kenya's capital city of Nairobi is a flagship project under the China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative, and is Kenya's largest infrastructure project since its independence in 1963.

Mghoi said the efficient, reliable and affordable mobility, which the SGR has always guaranteed her whenever she travels to meet new clients, has boosted her career.

The SGR is "an extremely good experience in the last few years," James Macharia, Kenya's cabinet secretary for transport, infrastructure, housing and urban development, told Xinhua. "We can expect a lot more profitable operations going forward."

As a strategic infrastructure project, the SGR is aiding the realization of Kenya's two flagship socio-economic transformation blueprints – the Vision 2030 and the Big Four Agenda, said Philip Mainga, managing director of Kenya Railways Corporation.

With the SGR, Mghoi is able to reach her destination on time and negotiate for a potential business opportunity with ease. She said the punctuality has helped her cement trust and confidence with her clients. Mghoi belongs to a growing army of Kenyan skilled labor force, entrepreneurs and tourists who have embraced the SGR service.

The Mombasa-Nairobi SGR and the additional 120-km Nairobi-Naivasha SGR have also facilitated the hauling of bulk cargoes to the hinterlands.

With the SGR freight service, it takes eight hours to transport bulk cargoes like raw materials from the Mombasa port to an inland container depot in Nairobi, as opposed to around two days using the century-old Meter Gauge Railway constructed by British colonialists, said Edward Opiyo, terminal manager at Nairobi Freight Terminals Limited, a logistics firm.

As logistics firms are now able to transport bulk cargoes in a speedy, cheaper, efficient and environmentally-friendly manner, they have built a cordial relationship with major clients, Opiyo said.

Transit hours and the cost of hauling bulk cargoes to neighboring landlocked countries have also been reduced, injecting fresh vitality into regional supply chains, he said.

The SGR has enhanced Kenya's trade with neighboring countries and offered an economic lifeline to member states of the East African Community, said Mainga. In the last five years, the modern railway has transported 20 million tons of cargoes and about 8 million passengers, elevating Kenya's status as a regional manufacturing, trade and logistics hub, he noted.

"I must say we are lucky. We are do-

Chinese-built modern railway key enabler to Kenya's Vision 2030



Members of the first cohort of independent Kenyan locomotive drivers pose for a group photo in Nairobi, Kenya, Feb. 19, 2022. (Xinhua)

ing more exports and diversification of goods than before. We are seeing a dynamic change due to what the SGR is doing in terms of exports," he said.

The Mombasa-Nairobi SGR is projected to contribute 2-3 percent to Kenya's GDP, said Mainga, adding that the railway has become a dominant player in Kenya's pursuit of inclusive growth, as it has revolutionized transportation of passengers and bulk cargoes, stimulated commerce and investments and fostered job creation for local youth.

Mainga said the SGR is also benefiting local people as skills transfer has reached 80-90 percent. "Now our people are able to run the operations, to drive their locomotives, to carry on with signal work, to repair and maintain our wagons," he said.

Recruited in 2017 by the SGR operator Afristar Railway Operation Company, Harrison Kinyanjui, a 26-year-old economics major, has received rigorous training on railway operation and management from Chinese tutors, and progressed quickly to become the first Kenyan to work at the SGR dispatch center in Nairobi.

Currently the assistant superintendent of the center, Kinyanjui said their work is to organize train operations using a centralized traffic control system in the center, which is "the brain and heart for all SGR train operations." "The Chinese experts have taught us very well.

They now have the confidence to leave us to work independently, and we are very, very proud that we came here not knowing anything about train dispatching, but we are now very competent," he said. "You see the Kenyan government and the Chinese government work together. We want to thank both governments for the support they have given us," said Mainga.

As Afristar has been committed to prioritizing safe operation, boosting movement of passengers and goods and enhancing localization, the SGR's socio-economic outcomes have gained trust and recognition by the Kenyan government and people, Li Jiuping, general manager of Afristar, told Xinhua.

"To create high-performing Sino-Kenyan teams, Afristar fosters cross-cultural working relationships and promotes

mutual understanding, respect and trust," Li said. Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni is the first visiting head of state to travel by Kenya's SGR in March 2019.

He said the enhanced efficiency in handling cargoes has been beneficial to the economies of both Kenya and Uganda, and to other countries that depend on the Mombasa port for import and export, including Rwanda, Burundi, South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Within the framework of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation, the SGR is among many China-Kenya infrastructure cooperation projects which are leading the Sino-Africa cooperation, Chinese Ambassador to Kenya Zhou Pingjian told Xinhua.

Before the SGR project started, there had been fears that the railway could harm biodiversity, as it would snake through the Tsavo National Park, Kenya's oldest and largest wildlife sanctuary, home to iconic species such as elephants, giraffes and zebras.

To ensure their safety, the SGR contractor built electric fences on both

sides of the track, and wide underpasses at short intervals to facilitate their movement. Besides wildlife, mangrove forests are well protected, too.

Ali Mohamed, a 44-year-old resident of a serene village overlooking a mangrove swamp on the northwestern edges of Mombasa, said that besides regulating coastal weather, the installation of overpasses and culverts has ensured that there was minimal disturbance to the mangrove forest, which is an important fish breeding site.

"I visited the SGR when its construction started and witnessed restoration of the previously degraded sections of the mangrove forest in our locality," said Mohamed, also founder of Bidii Creek Conservancy, a Mombasa-based green lobby.

The SGR has provided best practices on blending conservation with infrastructure development, he said. Five years since its launch, the SGR has earned accolades from local officials and conservationists for prioritizing ecological protection along its corridor.

Nancy Githaiga, country director for Kenya at Nairobi-based African Wild-

life Foundation, said wildlife protection measures initiated by the SGR contractor should inform future efforts to develop mega infrastructure projects while safeguarding integrity of biodiversity hotspots in Kenya.

Green ethos has been placed at the center of SGR operations, bringing benefits to local communities in terms of clean air and tranquil landscapes, said Mainga.

The design and execution of the project adhered to local environmental protection laws, ensuring a healthy relationship between the contractor and local communities, said Cosmas Makewa, station master at the Mombasa SGR Terminus.

Unlike trucks, SGR trains plying along the corridor have not been emitting smoke to the atmosphere, boosting Kenya's quest for improved air quality, said Makewa.

The SGR project highlighted the viability of China's vision of ecological civilization, according to Leopold Omondi, a campaigner with Nairobi-based green lobby Pan African Climate Justice Alliance.

Maimed or killed, Yemeni children suffer most from tragic civil war

HAJJAH

Hasan al-Jaeyedi, a Yemeni boy, has been largely confined to bed since shrapnel from a projectile during a military attack more than six years ago hurt his head and spine and paralysed him.

The tragedy happened in January 2016, just a little more than a year since a civil war broke out in Yemen, when fierce battles between the Yemeni government forces and the Houthi rebels spread to the Midi District in the northwestern province of Hajjah.

"I was playing alone when that projectile fell and exploded near my house, pushing me up in the air," al-Jaeyedi said, sitting on his rickety bed made of wood and ropes in front of his family's house located on the outskirts of Midi.

"I saw my blood running from my body," the 12-year-old recalled the last glimpse before losing consciousness.

As soon as the explosion was heard and smoke rose, Hasan's mother, older brother and neighbors ran from the farm to find him bloodied.

They rushed him to a hospital near



A paralysed boy named Hasan al-Jaeyedi tries to climb onto a bed in front of his family's hut in Midi District, Hajjah Province, Yemen, on Aug. 13, 2022. (Photo by Mohammed Al-Wafi/Xinhua)

the border with Saudi Arabia, dozens of kilometers north of his house. Finally, the boy survived. "Since then, I cannot stand, walk or play ... But I want to walk and run again like other children," he told Xinhua.

Islam al-Sabri, a local doctor, told Xinhua that Hasan is in urgent

need of financial assistance to move him to a specialized hospital out of the province to complete his treatment. However, his older brother Ahmed, 22, said the family has no money to take Hasan to such hospitals in other cities.

Their father passed away just weeks before the onset of the civil war in late 2014, leaving the eight-member family helpless in the tragic war.

Following the attack, Hasan's family, along with many other residents, fled Midi to a camp for internally-displaced Yemenis near the border with Saudi Arabia, where they stayed for nearly three years.

They then returned homes after the Yemeni army, backed by the Saudi-led Arab coalition forces, recaptured the district from the Houthi rebels in April 2018. Hasan is just one of the many Yemeni children maimed or killed in exchange of fire or by explosive remnants across the war-torn country.

The United Nations Children's Fund has warned of a growing number of child victims from missiles, landmines, cluster bombs, and remnants of war in Yemen.

"Since the conflict escalated in Yemen nearly seven years ago, the UN has verified that more than 10,200 children have been killed or injured. The actual number is likely much higher," UNICEF said on its website in March.

The civil war in Yemen erupted in late 2014 after the Iran-backed Houthi militia swept and took control of several northern provinces, forcing the Saudi Arabia-backed Yemeni government out of the capital Sanaa.

The United Nations is making efforts to end the war in Yemen by mediating a political settlement between the warring parties.

This year, it brokered for the first time a two-month cease-fire in Yemen on April 2, and then managed to extend the truce twice to Oct. 2.

TARI call farmers to cooperate in the 'beyond cotton Tanzania'

By Correspondent Gerald Kitabu

THE Tanzania agriculture research institute (TARI) has called on farmers, Livestock keepers and the general public to cooperate in the implementation of 'Beyond Cotton Tanzania' which has officially started saying it has multiple benefits to them.

TARI Ukiriguru centre director Dr Paul Saidia whose institute is coordinating the project said 'Beyond cotton Tanzania' is a smart agriculture project with a strong nutrition-sensitive approach that ultimately aims to improve cotton smallholder farmer's income and their nutritional intake.

"This is a hidden treasure for cotton smallholder farmers whose benefits are many. They should work hard and cooperate because the project theirs and it is purposely on value addition in Tanzania to improve their income and livelihoods," he said.

He said many farmers have been cultivating cotton various parts of the country and through cotton Victoria project some have increased cotton productivity by adhering to recommended new spacing farming system of 60 cm by 30 cm which has increased plant population and more productivity. Now this new project which is called 'Beyond Cotton Tanzania' is now implementing issues related to increasing values that is from cotton to value chain. Instead of farmers selling seed cotton, will be capacitated to sell lint and cotton by-products.

Dr Saidia also said it will deal with processing oil seeds from cotton which is consumed by human being as edible oil for cooking. During the processing of edible oil, there will be the remains which are called cotton seed cake. This by-product will be used to feed livestock. Again, this beyond cotton project will address the issues related to cotton stalks or remains in the field.

"Previously, farmers used to uproot and burn them but we are going to add value. This remains will be processed into alternative energy or charcoal used for cooking foods in the kitchen that is briquette making," he said.

He said that the project will add value to seed system at TARI Ukiriguru. It also intends to assist construction of irrigation infrastructures of about 20 hectares at Nkangiza seed farm to make sure the seed system is improved and able to work properly.

"It will also contribute in storage system and improve variety development at TARI Ukiriguru. The cold room will be improved for better storage of seeds in seed system," he added.

TARI Director General Geoffrey Mkamilo commended the project saying value addition is one of TARI priorities for this year 2022/23.

"We are promoting this as we share experiences and knowledge on the new developed technologies, innovative methods that better enables them especially smallholders to make agriculture competitive, profitable and sustainable business endeavor. Smallholder farmers and other investors should take this advantage to transform cotton farming in Tanzania," he said.

TARI Ukiriguru is among of the 18 TARI centres, which is mandated to coordinate research and technology transfer on cotton and root crops technological innovations in the country. The focus is to serve as a source of agricultural technology generation and dissemination in the different farming systems for better satisfac-



TCB director general Marco Mtunga (L), TARI director general Dr Geoffrey Mkamilo (R) and TARI Ukiriguru centre director Dr Paul Saidia (C) during the signing of beyond cotton project document recently. File Photo

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In July this year, the Beyond Cotton project document for Tanzania was signed, during a ceremony in Dodoma. The event was attended by high level representatives from the Tanzania Agricultural Research Institute (TARI), Tanzania Cotton Board (TCB), the Ministry of Agriculture and the Embassy of Brazil and WFP Tanzania.



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ANNOUNCEMENT

PREQUALIFICATION OF VENDORS FOR PROVISION OF GOODS AND SERVICES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/2023

1. Institute Overview
Ifakara Health Institute (Ifakara) is a leading research organization in Africa with a strong track record in developing, testing and validating innovations for health. Driven by a core strategic mandate for research, training and services, the Institute's work now spans a wide spectrum, covering biomedical and ecological sciences, intervention studies, health-systems research and policy translation.

2. Official Call
Ifakara invites applications from eligible, competent and qualified companies for the prequalification to provide goods and services listed below for the 2022/2023 financial year:

LOT#	LOT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION/BRANCH	FURTHER DESCRIPTION/LIST
1	SUPPLY OF ICT ITEMS	DSM/IFA/BAG	VARIOUS
2	SUPPLY OF MOTOR VEHICLE AND GENERATOR LUBRICANTS	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
3	PRINTING / DESIGNING SERVICES	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
4	PROVISION OF PRINTER MAINTENANCE SERVICES	DSM/IFA/BAG	LIST IS PROVIDED
5	PROVISION OF FIRE EXTINGUISHER & AUTOMATIC SUPPRESSOR MAINTENANCE	IFAKARA	LIST IS PROVIDED
6	PROVISION OF BUILDING MINOR REPAIR SERVICE AND CONSTRUCTION	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
7	PROVISION OF PLUMBING REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
8	SECURITY SERVICES	IFA	N/A
9	INSURANCE BROKER SERVICE PROVIDER	DSM/IFA/BAG	LIST IS PROVIDED
10	PUBLICITY/BRANDING, GRAPHICS, AND DOCUMENTATION SERVICES (INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY)	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
11	SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A
12	DECORATION AND EVENT PLANNING	DSM/IFA/BAG	N/A

3.0 Instructions

3.1 The tender is open to all bidders. The bidding process will be conducted through competitive procurement procedures specified in the Ifakara Administration Manual.

3.2 Interested eligible bidders may obtain additional information from the Secretary's Office or inquire the same from the Tender Committee via email at procurement@ihi.or.tz from 09:00hrs to 16:00hrs local time, Monday to Friday, from the date of this announcement.

4. 0 Applications

4.1 Interested bidders must pay a non-refundable fee of TZS 50,000/= to the following bank account:
NMB - Bank House, Account number BS 20103500224.

4.2 Interested bidders must complete tendering documents which can be obtained after submission of a bank slip to our offices: Dar es Salaam - Mikochei; Bagamoyo - inside the District Hospital; and Ifakara - Off Mlabani Passage.

4.3 All applications and deposits must be enclosed in an envelope with a seal and addressed to:

**Chief Executive Director,
Ifakara Health Institute,
P.O. Box 78373,
Dar es Salaam**

4.4 Hand delivered sealed envelopes should be submitted at Dar es Salaam office's Front Desk (reception) not later than Wednesday, 31st August 2022 at 10:00 am local time.

4.5 The deadline for all submissions is **3rd August 2022 at 10:00 am**. Thereafter, opening of the tenders will immediately start.

5.0 Important

5.1 Please note that, late applications **will not be accepted** for evaluation irrespective of circumstances.

5.2 Other instructions and procedures for the bidding process will be found in the tender documents.

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I-TECH
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Vacancy Announcement

Background
The International Training and Education Center for Health (I-TECH) is a center in the University of Washington's Department of Global Health and has offices throughout Africa, Asia, and the Caribbean. I-TECH's 700 worldwide staff work in partnership with local ministries of health, universities, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), medical facilities, and other organizations to support the development of a skilled health work force and well-organized national health delivery systems. I-TECH's activities occur primarily in the technical areas of health system strengthening; health workforce development; operations research and evaluation; and prevention, care, and treatment of infectious diseases.

I-TECH Tanzania wishes to recruit qualified and experienced candidates to fill in the following vacant positions:

Position Title: HIV Continuous Quality Improvement Mentor (2)
Supervisor: Country Senior Program and Grant Manager
Location: Kigoma and Shinyanga
Effective date: October 1, 2022

Position Summary
Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Mentor is the technical and implementation lead for Continuous Quality Improvement program activities based in one of the 2 target regions: Shinyanga and Kigoma. He/she is also responsible for implementation progress, timeliness of activities, overall quality, accuracy, and reporting of regional activities. She/he will provide technical support to strengthen quality improvement for HIV care and treatment services offered at the regional, district, health facilities. The CQI Mentor will focus on providing technical support to target supported sites to use standardized national/international acceptable CQI approaches to improve HIV care and treatment services at health facilities and communities. He/she will build the capacity of the sites to collect and use quality HIV care and treatment data for decision making, using a CQI tools. He/She is responsible ensuring consistent, high quality routine data collection, analysis, and presentation needed to improve activity implementation and to meet I-TECH's commitment to funders and external stakeholders. S/he CQI mentor will be responsible for supporting the development and implementation of SOPs and other tools related to HIV adult treatment, retention, PEP, and PrEP across all program regions and facilities. The CQI mentor will participate in MOH TWGs, represent I-TECH at the region of support and communicates regularly with relevant counterparts. S/he mentors and facilitates in-service trainings incorporating QI methodologies as a key approach to achieve program outcomes and uses data to drive decision-making. S/he leads and coordinates HIV CQI-related activities including facility preparation, remediation plans and approaches, and re-assessments, when required. In addition to providing technical guidance regarding HIV adult treatment, retention, and PEP/PrEP. CQI Mentors will work closely with CQI and Evaluation Technical Lead, other Country Office program team members, external partners and HQ Team on a daily basis.

This position is in Kigoma and Shinyanga, Tanzania, with up to 60% domestic travel and may include early morning or evening calls to work with colleagues across multiple time zones, including Seattle (USA).

Key Responsibilities

Technical Assistance, Collaboration, and Support (45%)

- Implement project activities in collaboration with Ministry of Health (MOH), R/CHMT, Tanzania Health Promotion Support (THPS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and other Implementing Partners Provide strategic advice and support RHMT and CHMT in planning and implement Quality Improvement interventions at target regions and health facilities, and present implementation challenges/gaps that need practice change at regional levels.
- Lead regional operationalization of facility CQI plans, CQI targets that are based on the government and PEPFAR priorities in Tanzania
- Lead the implementation of CQI collaboratives in the respective region and support coordination of activities with the other target regions
- Build capacity to target health facilities to implement CQI initiatives to improve HIV care and treatment services: lead trainings, orientations, provide on-site mentoring, and coaching to all levels
- Support the development and implementation of distance learning ECHO sessions
- Work efficiently with the entire clinical team at the facilities for efficient and quality ART services delivery
- Represent the project in the Regional QI technical working group and provide technical support in the revision and/or development of HIV CQI guidelines /operation manuals
- Support R/CHMTs to develop CQI skills and integrate CQI into the CCHPs budgets
- Work with the I-TECH team in Dar es Salaam to design and implement any other activities related to the program
- Develop, adapt and/or revise program tools CQI Data Collection

and Monitoring (30%)

- Support facilities to collect monthly reports for CQI dashboard provide guidance and recommendations related to tracked indicators and outcomes, and implementation of PDSA cycles and share them with RHMT and CHMT for health services improvement
- Assist sites in data utilization and seeks creative and innovative ways of capturing and presenting data and help the site to understand flow charts and process analysis for system improvement and quality health care provision.
- Work with I-TECH's Senior M&E Advisor and Data Manager and Analyst to implement course corrections or redesign strategies and interventions to ensure consistently high-quality data related to all community- and facility-based services
- Provide technical support for onsite accurate data utilization for test-of-change (TOC) and timely dissemination and adaptation of best practices.
- Oversee and supervise onsite use of existing data /dashboards including monthly DATIM, CQI dashboard, quarterly reports etc. to identify gaps and support the sites teams to implement CQI activities accordingly.
- Oversee the whole cascade of CQI activities at the sites and communities' levels, monitor progress, conduct test-of-change each quarter and report results in quarterly review meetings.
- Supervise and monitor converting the paper-based government run charts into electronic databases and report progress and gaps

Project Management (10%)

- Support Planning, organizing, and implementation of high-quality project activities in a timely and on-budget manner
- Proactively collaborate with the I-TECH Dar es Salaam and HQ office, MOH, THPS, CDC, and other stakeholders to implement project activities
- Support development of annual project work plan and M&E plans with other program staff in Country and HQ
- Maintain up-to-date knowledge regarding Differentiated HIV care, Continuous Quality Improvement, Comprehensive Management of HIV and AIDS, Task sharing and routine Cryptococcal infection screening and treatment among People Living with HIV approaches worldwide and in Tanzania and ensure project activities' relevance in light of the strategic direction communicated by MOH, CDC, and other stakeholders /donors.

Reporting (15%)

- Maintain thorough documentation of activities and deliverables
- In collaboration with the I-TECH Dar es Salaam office and HQ, write program report to funders with data and lessons learned from implementation of regional activities.
- Respond to ad-hoc reporting requests from I-TECH headquarters
- Collaborate with I-TECH staff to frame, document and disseminate lessons across the I-TECH portfolio

Other duties as assigned (5%)

Perform other professional duties as assigned by the I-TECH Tanzania Country Representative.

Required Qualifications

- Master's Degree or higher in Clinical Medicine, public health, Nursing, or other related fields, or a bachelor's with at least 5 years of experience in monitoring and evaluation, preferably in the field of training and education
- Extensive knowledge of CQI, DSDMs, ART, PMTCT, TB/HIV, and other HIV treatment approaches in Tanzania or other East and/or Sub-Saharan African countries.
- Extensive clinical experience in CQI, ART, DSDMs TB/HIV, HIV related training, comprehensive supportive supervision and mentoring
- Experience working with Quality improvement projects
- Knowledge of monitoring and assessment techniques and procedures
- Ability to translate data into visual outputs (graphs, charts, diagrams, tables, etc.)
- Demonstrated clear and concise writing and communications skills.
- Fluency in English and Swahili
- Ability to live in the region of provided support and to travel in the region

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience in PEPFAR or other US government-funded programs is an advantage

How to Apply: Interested candidates should send their application to info@itech-tanzania.org by **Friday, August 30, 2022, at 5.00pm**, including Cover Letter, CV and contact details for reliable three referees preferably your current or previous employers. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

I-TECH Tanzania is an equal opportunity employer committed to having a diverse workforce.

PESHAWAR

AFGHAN refugees living in Pakistan face a host of problems, ranging from seeking medical treatment to shelter, business, police harassment and violence. Many of those affected have been there for four decades.

"Whenever we go to the local hospitals for treatment, we don't get good services. As a result, we bank on unqualified doctors who charge a lower fee, but the treatment they provide us isn't up to the mark," Jamila Bibi, 48, told IPS. She lives in the Khyber district near the Torkham border with Afghanistan.

Bibi says she developed a gynaecological problem, but the local hospital denied her treatment.

"Later, we took a loan from our relative and went to a private hospital, but my condition had worsened. Doctors removed my uterus and sent a specimen to exclude cancer as the cause of the complications," the bed-ridden mother of three said.

Most wealthy Afghans prefer to visit Peshawar, the capital of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, one of Pakistan's four provinces, to seek treatment in private hospitals. Many facilities in their home country don't offer quality treatment because of ongoing conflicts that have plagued the area since 1979.

Afghans living in Pakistan and those seeking treatment and who want to visit Pakistan aren't satisfied with how they are handled at the border and in the country.

"We reached the border on June 15 to undergo surgery for bilateral kidney stones in Peshawar, but the police kept us waiting for three days. When they cleared our documents and we reached the hospital, we were told that both (of my wife's) kidneys had been infected



Action taken against stall-owners at the Refugees Bazaar in Peshawar. Afghan refugees say they are unfairly targeted by the authorities.

and we had to stay for a month to cure the infection," Muhammad Sattar, a Kabul resident, said.

Sattar, a carpet dealer, says doctors said his wife could have been operated on sooner had she arrived earlier, preventing the spread of the infection.

Dr Umar Amir, who deals with Afghan patients at the border, said that on an average day, 120 patients were allowed to come to Pakistan after checking their medical documents. "There is no delay in processing their documents," he told IPS.

Pakistan is home to 3.3m registered refugees, most of who arrived after the Soviet Union's invasion in 1979.

"One million (32 per cent) reside in 54 refugee villages, and 68 per cent in urban areas across Pakistan," UNHCR's spokesman Qaisar Khan Afridi told IPS.

Afghan refugees, medical visitors bemoan treatment in Pakistan

In addition to its dedicated refugee programmes, UNHCR has been supporting the Refugee Affected and Hosting Areas (RAHA) initiative, which aims to mitigate the impact of the protracted refugee presence and promote social cohesion between Afghan refugees and their Pakistani host communities.

Since its launch in 2009, the programme has helped over 12 million people (85 per cent of beneficiaries are Pakistanis) across the country through some 4,300 projects worth more than USD 200 million.

Through RAHA, UNHCR has been strengthening the capacity of existing government hospitals and educational institutes.

"We don't have any option except staying in Pakistan as Afghanistan is in ruins. We cannot go back due to extreme violence, lawlessness, and lack of economic activities," said Muhammad Suhail (34). A scrap collector in Peshawar's Karkhano Bazaar (Industrial Market), he says they were looked down upon by host communities.

Most of the refugees do odd jobs. He said they work as vendors, in tandoors (bread baking), rickshaw-driving, fruit, and vegetable-selling.

Only a few wealthy refugees, who own shops dealing in gold, crockery, grocery, cloth and general stores, are happy, and they even send money back home to support their relatives.

"We arrived here in 1988 and have a well-established business of cloth. We have employed 33 Afghans and have no issues with local police and host community," Said Rehman (62) said. "My three sons and two daughters are married, and their children study in Pakistani educational institutions on seats allocated for Afghan refugees."

Rehman disagreed with the impression that Pakistani were hostile towards Afghans. "Some residents were friendly, and others weren't, but can we blame all the local people for disrupting the Afghan's lives? Many of our relatives have married local men and women," he said.

In Refugees Bazaar in Peshawar, Afghans say they face harassment from municipal authorities.

"Every day, the officials come and arrest our shopkeepers, which has badly harmed our businesses," Ghulam Rasool, a cloth merchant, told IPS. Afghans own 95 percent of the shops at the bazaar which specialise in Afghan cultural goods.

"We purchase clothes from the market and get them stitched in Afghan style. We feel convenient in negotiating prices with the Afghan shopkeepers selling cosmetics, foot wears, fruits, meats and so on," Shaheen Begum, a house woman, told IPS.

"In Pakistani shops, we face difficulties due to language barriers," she said. "We often find the market closed due to raids by local authorities."

Municipal officer Javid Khan said that many Afghan shopkeepers and vendors encroach on roads and were arrested for violating the laws. But the vendors were freed when they assured the authorities they would abide by the regulations.

IPS

Gender equality and women's rights wiped out under the Taliban

NEW YORK

IN the year that has passed since the Taliban's takeover in Afghanistan we have seen daily and continuous deterioration in the situation of Afghan women and girls. This has spanned every aspect of their human rights, from living standards to social and political status.

It has been a year of increasing disrespect for their right to live free and equal lives, denying them opportunity to livelihoods, access to health care and education, and escape from situations of violence.

The Taliban's meticulously constructed policies of inequality set Afghanistan apart. It is the only country in the world where girls are banned from going to high school. There are no women in the Taliban's cabinet, no Ministry of Women's Affairs, thereby effectively removing women's right to political participation.

Women are, for the most part, also restricted from working outside the home, and are required to cover their faces in public and to have a male chaperone when they travel. Furthermore, they continue to be subjected to multiple forms of Gender Based Violence.

This deliberate slew of measures of discrimination against Afghanistan's women and girls is also a terrible act of self-sabotage for a country experiencing huge challenges including from climate-related and natural disasters to exposure to global economic headwinds that leave some 25 million Afghan people in poverty and many hungry.

The exclusion of women from all aspects of life robs the people of Afghanistan of half their talent and energies. It prevents women from leading efforts to build resilient communities and shrinks Afghanistan's ability to recover from crisis.

There is a clear lesson from humanity's all too extensive experience of crisis. Without the full participation of women and girls in all aspects of public life there is little chance of achieving lasting peace, stability and economic development.

That is why we urge the de facto authorities to open schools for all girls, to remove constraints on women's employment and their participation in the politics of their nation, and to revoke all decisions and policies that strip women of their rights. We call for ending all forms of violence against women and girls.

We urge the de facto authorities to ensure that women journalists, human rights defenders, and civil society actors enjoy freedom of expression, have access to information and can work freely and independently, without fear of reprisal or attack.

The international community's support for women's rights and its investment in women themselves are more important than ever: in services for women, in jobs and women-led businesses, and in women leaders and women's organizations.

This includes not only support to the provision of humanitarian assistance but also continued and unceasing efforts at the political level to bring about change.

UN Women has remained in country throughout this crisis and will continue to do so. We are



Women receive food rations at a food distribution site in Herat, Afghanistan.

steadfast in our support to Afghan women and girls alongside our partners and donors.

We are scaling up the provision of life-saving services for women, by women, to meet overwhelming needs. We are supporting women-led businesses and employment opportunities across all sectors to help lift the country out of poverty.

We are also investing in women-led civil so-

ciety organizations to support the rebuilding of the women's movement. As everywhere in the world, civil society is a key driver of progress and accountability on women's rights and gender equality.

Every day, we advocate for restoring, protecting, and promoting the full spectrum of women's and girls' rights. We are also creating spaces for Afghan women themselves to ad-

vocate for their right to live free and equal lives.

One year on, with women's visibility so diminished and rights so severely impacted, it is vital to direct targeted, substantial, and systematic funding to address and reverse this situation and to facilitate women's meaningful participation in all stakeholder engagement on Afghanistan, including in delegations that meet with Taliban officials.

Decades of progress on gender equality and women's rights have been wiped out in mere months. We must continue to act together, united in our insistence on guarantees of respect for the full spectrum of women's rights, including to education, work, and participation in public and political life.

We must continue to make a collective and continuous call on the Taliban leadership to fully comply with the binding obligations under international treaties to which Afghanistan is a party.

And we must continue to elevate the voices of Afghan women and girls who are fighting every day for their right to live free and equal lives. Their fight is our fight. What happens to women and girls in Afghanistan is our global responsibility.

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Foreign investors record 4bn/- net inflows at DSE in August

By Guardian Reporter

FOREIGN investors recorded net inflows of more than 4bn/- at the Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange (DSE) during the first two weeks of this month, overturning the exit trend experienced during the second quarter of this year.

DSE market report shows during the first two weeks of this month, foreign investors purchased shares valued 5.5bn/- and sold shares valued 1.1bn/-.

Analysts revealed that the major mover of this trend was NMB Bank Plc shares of which foreign investors made entrance after the exit of local investors through block trade.

However, the overall data shows local investors are still dominating the market for this quarter as they account for largest value of turnover in both buying and selling sides.

The reports show during the second quarter of this year, foreign investors recorded net outflow of 2.1bn/-, of which shares sold were valued more than the value of shares they purchased.

The largest value of foreign investors' participation in buying shares recorded during the last week, involving NMB Bank Plc shares.

On Wednesday last week, a total market turnover amounted 4.47bn/- of which foreign investors injected 3.9b2bn/- through shares purchase, which was 87.66 percent of all buying value, against selling shares valued 494mn/-.

During the day, NMB Bank recorded a total turnover of 3.9bn/- after transaction 1,406,983 shares traded in six deals at a price ranging from 2740/- to 2,800/-.

The bank's equities transaction involved 1,400,000 shares through the Block Trade Pre-arranged Market board and the remaining 6,983 through normal trade in five deals.

Other largest transaction recorded on Thursday whereby a



Foreign investors purchased shares valued at 5.5bn/- and sold shares valued at 1.1bn/-.

total turnover of 1.48bn/- recorded from 563,909 shares traded in 46 deals, of which foreign investors bought shares valued 1.44bn/-, of 97 percent of total buying value, with no selling as all shares were sold by local investors.

The report shows during this quarter started in July, the DSE market has so far recorded a total turnover of 13.69bn of which foreign investors have injected 6.45bn/- which is 47.12 percent of total buying value against 52.88 percent of local investors.

During the period, ending August 12, foreign investors have so far sold shares 3.26bn/- of 23.85 percent of the value of all shares sold, while local investors have sold the remaining 76.15 percent value.

The report also shows total market capitalization also closed high at 16.05trn/-, including 10.27trn/- of domestic market capitalization.

The amount was higher than the value of outstanding government bonds which amounted 15.99trn/-. At the end of July this year, the value of outstanding government bond was 16.02trn/- while DSE total market capitalization amounted 15.84trn/-.

The report shows the value of government traded bond during this quarter has so far reached at a face value of 247.8bn/- and transaction value of 294.9bn/-.

Indian investors plan to cultivate sugarcane, wheat in Sumbawanga

By Beatrice Philemon

INDIAN investors are planning to invest on wheat and sugarcane cultivation in Sumbawanga district, which are expected to generate employment opportunities to Tanzanians.

This has been possible through the Founder of the Euphrates Consulting Company, Abraham Mafurunga (pictured) who was in India for three months to study international global marketing course under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme five years ago.

While in India, he said he managed to meet with the founder of Gopel Seed Company, whom they discussed on business and investment opportunities available in Tanzania, including advising him to come and invest.

"I'm very glad for what has been achieved so far, because the meeting was fruitful as the Company's Founder agreed to come and invest in Tanzania," he says.

He said a total of 4000 hectares of land has been allocated in Sumbawanga district, Rukwa region for wheat and sugarcane production.

He said the company's Founder is expecting to visit Tanzania in November this year to sign a contract with the Euphrates Consulting Company and Ufipa Cooperative Union for wheat and sugarcane farming.

The journey started in 2017 when Mafurunga's joined the National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business



Development (NIESBUD) in India, where he acquired a number of skills ranging from marketing, advisory and the use of social media to market products.

During the implementation, he said, Gopel Seed Company will provide expertise, technology and work in partnership with his company and Ufipa Cooperative to implement the project.

"The Indian investor has decided to invest in Tanzania after impressed by the incentives and investment policy that Tanzanian government offers and suitable land for farming," he said.

He said the introduction of sugarcane and wheat farms are expected to reduce dependency of the commodities which local productions do not match with demands.

The project will change the economic landscape in Sumbawanga district, will diminish the current need for sugar and wheat imports, help farmers to reduce poverty in their respective areas, increase productivity, income and create job opportunities between Tanzania and India.

He lauded Indian government to introduce ITEC programme that has helped him to provide business advisory and consultancy services for farmers and businessmen in Tanzania and India.

Through the knowledge and skills acquired from the NIESBUD, he said he was able to establish his own company namely Euphrates Consulting Company since May 2018.

Currently, Mafurunga's firm provides a wide range of services such as advisory on export promotion and trading, financial arrangement, capacity building on how to make e-commerce in business and agriculture so that can explore international markets to export their agricultural goods

and products.

Also conduct B2B meetings to meet with buyers and train farmers on how to cultivate and export their agricultural produce overseas.

So far, he has been able to provide agricultural consulting services to 10 Tanzanian and Indian companies, more than 1.2 million members of the National Network of Small Scale Farmers Groups in Tanzania (MVIWATA) and more than 5000 members of the Ufipa Cooperative Union (UCU) located at Sumbawanga District Council in Rukwa Region.

Highlighting on other achievements he says, he has been able to make a follow-up on the establishment of the International Agricultural College that was planned to be built in Tanzania with funding from Indian government.

Mafurunga's says, in 2011 the Indian government issued a total of \$5 million for Africa Union to help Tanzania set up International Agricultural College that will enable African countries to be self-sufficient by produce enough food, feed the world and ensure no one goes hungry and have high qualified experts in agriculture.

So far he has been able to meet with India foreign affairs, Tanzania Foreign Affairs and have a face-to-face discussion to see how Tanzania can establish this College that will bring agricultural revolution in Africa including Tanzania.

He expressed thanks to the Indian High Commission to Tanzania Second Secretary, Raj Ganger for his great support that helped him to meet with the minister of agriculture, Hussein Bashe, whom they discussed how Tanzanian and India can collaborate in building an International Agricultural College.

Absa Group interim earnings increase by 27 percent in 2022

Johannesburg

ABSA Group headline earnings increased by 27 percent to R11 billion in the first half of the year as revenue increased, demonstrating a continued strong recovery from the global economic downturn in 2020, according to interim financial report for first half of this year.

During the period, the bank reported solid pre-provision profit, supported by revenue which rose by 14 percent, underpinned by growth across its business units and a rebound in the insurance business in South Africa and increased interest rates across key markets.

Net interest income and non-interest income rose 12 percent and 18 percent, respectively.

"Our strong results reaffirm the strategic choices we made in 2018 and are testimony to the work we have undertaken in creating a business that is closer to customers," said Arrie Rautenbach, Absa Group Chief Executive Officer said during the video conference from Johannesburg held yesterday.

"With a strong, experienced leadership team and an improved operating model, we now have a strong foundation for out-performance."

In June, Absa announced a strengthened and more diverse executive leadership team. Absa refined its operating model, adopting a flatter structure, bringing management closer to customers and allowing the Group to accelerate strategy execution.

Effective 1 July, Absa has five business units, from two previously and Rautenbach noted that all units reported improved earnings and stronger returns during the first half.

"All of our key measures are significantly above the pre-Covid levels of the first half of 2019," said Jason Quinn, Absa Group Financial Director. "The strategic decisions we made in the last few years have ensured that we remain capital generative and we are appropriately provisioned as we face a tougher environment," he said.

The Group balance sheet remains well positioned, with Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) having



Arrie Rautenbach, Absa Group chief executive officer

improved, he said, adding that CET1 and liquidity levels remain well ahead of regulatory and Board target ranges.

He said costs were well maintained even as the Group increased investment in IT for en-

hanced digital performance and improved customer experience.

Improved stability and enriched functionality saw digitally active customers grow across our businesses including a 10 percent increase to 2.2 million in retail and

business banking in South Africa.

Digital volumes have grown by 86 percent compared to 2019 levels whilst branch and ATM volumes have declined substantially.

Retail and Business Banking (RBB), the Group's largest revenue

generator, continued to execute against its 2018 strategic transformation journey, supported by the momentum of the economic recovery, specifically in the first quarter of the year.

Although the operating environment became increasingly difficult in the second quarter, key performance indicators continued to trend positively and in line with expectations, benefitting from deliberate execution over the past three years.

Home loans registrations, vehicle asset financing and personal loans, among other areas, increased.

Absa gained market share in key areas in retail advances including home loans and vehicle asset financing and our deposit market share continued to be strong at 22%. Customer numbers increased 1% to 9.6 million.

RBB earnings from Absa Regional Operations (ARO) increased strongly following very strong revenue growth, an encouraging performance as Absa repositions the business on a growth trajectory and improve returns.

During the first half of the year, Absa invested R125 million in societal impact initiatives in Africa and reached more than 50,600 individuals through financial education literacy and tools.

Absa, the largest funder of renewable energy in South Africa, continued to make progress on its sustainability agenda. While the Group's fossil fuel exposure is set to decline, Absa is looking to double its renewable energy loans as a percent of total group loans by 2030.

Speaking on the outlook, he said the macro backdrop deteriorated noticeably in the past six months and global growth expectations have reduced materially.

Absa expects to achieve low double-digit revenue growth in 2022 compared with 2021.

Operating expenses will likely increase by low to mid-single digits, with pre-provision profit growth in the teens, resulting in a cost-to-income ratio which is expected to be lower than 2021 levels. Return on equity is also expected to improve to approximately 17 percent.

Tanzania, Pakistan trade volume increases to \$223 million in 2022

By Correspondent James Kandoya

PAKISTAN and Tanzania trade's volume increased to \$223 million from \$163 million from June 2021 to June 2022.

Muhamad Azam Bihan, Acting Commissioner, Charge de' Affairs, High Commissioner for Pakistan in Tanzania said at a night gala to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the country's independence.

He said trade volumes of the two countries have been based on textiles, steel industries, agriculture, mining, medical and pharmaceuticals.

He said one of the reasons contributed to growth was conducive and friendlier business environment and country political stability.

Bihan said the number of Pakistani diaspora living in Tanzania is estimated to have reached 3,000, and they are working in different sectors.

He described that the government has most of the time worked out to create a good environment for the Pakistani investors to open new investments in Tanzania.

The envoy said currently, Pakistan had invested over \$ 500 million, adding that the countries have cultural similarities.

"This is the year when Pakistan and Tanzania celebrate 55th anniversaries of diplomatic relations. The two countries have done a lot to enhance trade relations for the benefit of the populations," he said.

The envoy said Pakistan and Tanzania have a historically cordial relationship basing in the political, defense, security and trade spheres.

Also, Pakistan has universities in arts and culture where Tanzania students



Pakistan High Commissioner Muhammad Azam Bihan left and Tri Yogo Jatmiko, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia right jointly cut a cake to celebrate Pakistan 75th independence in Dar es Salaam over the weekend. PHOTO/EMBASSY

can go and learn about arts and crafts.

According to the envoy, Pakistan was looking forward to enhancing the diplomatic relationship focusing on improving business relations.

Pakistan/Tanzania Business Council chairperson Sheikh Shahid Majeed said Pakistan's investors plan to invest in a number of areas including production of fertilizer.

He said currently, the council is on final stage of approving \$1 billion that will be released in phases of five years.

Chairperson said the fund will be used to support education especially in rural areas, agriculture and the production of industrial

fertilizers to create more jobs to the Tanzania citizens.

During the ceremony, the Pakistan's artists and kids performance cultural songs.

On 14 August 1957, Pakistan became independent and Muhammad Ali Jinnah was sworn in as its first governor general in Karachi. Officially, the nation was founded as the Dominion of Pakistan, and was renamed as the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in 1957.

According to a report by Free Press Journal, Pakistan chose 14 August as its day of independence, which was last Friday of the month of Ramadan in 1947, hence making it an auspicious day for Muslims.

Morogoro-based tobacco factory capital investment hits 175billion/-

By Guardian Correspondent, Morogoro

TOTAL capital investment at the Morogoro based tobacco processing factory owned by Alliance One Tanzania Limited(AOTL) has reached a \$70m mark.

This was revealed by the Company's Finance Director, Festo Mwalongo, during a guided tour of 138 visiting tobacco farmers at the Kingolwira based factory over the weekend.

He said on top of the existing capital investment, going forward, the company also intends to plough back into the factory an investment at the tune of \$1m annually in form of various infrastructure development.

"We are doing this in order to improve the processing capacity of the crop in-line with the projected increased production countrywide, because farmers will now widen their crop fields as subsidised fertilizer is coming," he noted.

He congratulated farmers for taking part in the factory tour, saying they should put in use all lessons learnt in the process, should they want to produce high quality tobacco and fetch better prices.

The visiting farmers were leaders of primary cooperative societies from Uvinza and Kasuru districts of Kigoma region and Urambo and Kaliua districts of Tabora region.

Blasius Lupenza, the human resources

director said the company employs a workforce of 3,350 people.

"Out of the total workforce, 350 are permanent and pensionable whereas the remaining 3000 are seasonal workers who work at the factory for at least 8 months a year," he said.

He said the company also employs least 700 people who work with farmers in provision of both agronomy services and best agriculture practices. Lupenza said Alliance One strictly discourages child labour in tobacco production by closely following up with their contracted farmers on day to day basis.

He also said the company's employment policy also stipulates that first beneficiaries should always be residents around their areas of operations. On their part the farmers said were upbeat by the tour accorded to them by the company, showering congratulations for buying their crop consistently even in troubled times.

Saidi Masudi Mayunga from Itundu primary cooperative society in Urambo said "We congratulate the company for being available for us even when tobacco prices were not stable, especially two years ago when one tobacco buyer in the country was not operational."

He said among the lessons picked from the tour was that there were companies that boasted to them of being big tobacco buyers, only to realise on the contrary that they do not even

have processing facility.

"The tour was indeed an eye opener to most of us because we have seen tobacco consignment owned by other tobacco buyers is being processed here at Alliance One," he explained.

He said other lessons from the tour are quite useful as they will enable them improve both on farm and off farm handling of the crop and thereby improve productivity.

"To us tobacco is everything, with tobacco paid bride price, with tobacco we built houses, with tobacco we pay school fees for our children, with tobacco undertake investment projects, then it is very important that we are well versed on how to grow good quality tobacco that fetch better prices" he said.

Neema Mlavumba from Basanza primary cooperative society in Uvinza district in Kigoma region thanked the the company for the tour because it aims at enabling them improve productivity.

"My family relies entirely on tobacco, all the way from our livelihood as well as economic development. As a family we now have a good house, a tractor and our children are going to good schools because of tobacco," she noted.

Whereas director of crop production at Alliance One, David Mayunga said so far a total of 250 farmers have benefited from factory tour this year having done so in two different groups.



Alliance One human resource director, Blasius Lupenza shares a point with tobacco farmers from Tabora and Kigoma regions during their visit at the Morogoro based factory. Photo: Special Correspondent

Introduction of levies on electronic money transactions: Implications

THE Finance Act 2022/23 introduced a levy on electronic transactions by replacing "mobile money transfer" with "electronic money" and amending the maximum range of the levy from TZS 10,000 per transaction to TZS 4,000.

The introduction of the money transfer levy happened in July 2021 where it was imposed on all mobile money transfers, including withdraws. The levy introduction saw a significant decline in mobile money transactions. Following the public outrage and the significant decline in transactions, in September 2021, the government reduced the levy amount by 30%. Even then, the sector hasn't been able to restore its previous growth rate.

With recent changes, the scope to impose the levy has significantly been widened to include all electronic transactions which include all bank and mobile transactions, except:

- Use of ATM cards at authorized POS stops;

- Utility payments;
- Lipa namba; and
- transactions relating to salary transfers.

There will be an additional charge of up to TZS 4,000 for every transaction except for the above three. The levy applies on:

- Over the counter (OTC) transactions
- Money transfer including withdraws using MNOs (tigo pesa, M-pesa, EzyPesa, T-pesa, halopesa)

- Money transfers including withdraws using mobile money agents

- Money transfers including withdraws from banks (ATMs, apps, internet banking)

The levy is in addition to the already existing taxes and charges on the electronic transactions which are:

- VAT, at 18% and directly borne by the client
- Excise duty, at 10% and indirectly borne by the client

Legal compliance requirements?

- The levy continues to be governed by the National Payment Systems Act however following the recent changes, new regulations have been made under section 46A (2) to the National Payment System Act for administration purposes.

- Compliance to commence from 01 July 2022

- Levy collected to be submitted to TRA within seven days of the month following the month in which the levy relates

- Collectors to file relevant returns with TRA within seven days of the

month following the month in which the levy relates

- A penalty of TZS 1 million per month to apply for any late filing of the return
- Any chance for imposing levy more than once on a transaction?

There is evident risk of multiple imposition of levy in a transaction with a single source. The below illustrates this:

Introduction of money into the "digital platforms (banks/ mobile money). In this case assume "A" deposits 500,000 to the bank account. No charge is imposed at this stage.

Introduction of money into the "digital platforms (banks/ mobile money). In this case assume "A" deposits 500,000 to the bank account. No charge is imposed at this stage.

When B withdraws 120,000

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A pays 200,000 by phone to B's phone number

A pays 200,000 by phone to B's phone number

"A" transfers 300,000 from bank account to mobile number

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What could be done? Exempting withdraw transactions as they all reflect an inward transfer or a manual deposit at a certain point.

Missed opportunity?

In a country with significant levels of financial exclusion, means to digitalize money transfers should have been encouraged. As much as companies and business owners in that space make money, the government's target shouldn't be just to collect on every prospering sector. Rather, the government should take measures to support the growth of financial inclusion, which would have bigger, longer-term benefits such as:

- Formal sectors operating the digital platforms (banks, MNOs, payment systems agents such as SELCOM) would also grow, leading to more employment hence improving lives and contributing to taxes and levies through PAYE, corporate taxes and others.

- As financial inclusion levels grow, it would become easier for the government to have access to data related to money circulation in the economy as well as the status of the performing sectors

- It would be more convenient for the government, through TRA, to carry out effective audits through data and analytical trends of financial data captured through these platforms, hence improve tax assessment.

Oil extends losses as traders weigh China outlook

SINGAPORE

OIL extended losses at the start of the week as traders weighed concerns about Chinese demand and the prospect for more Iranian supply.

West Texas Intermediate dropped near \$88 a barrel, falling as much as 4.3%, with markets selling off as China's surprise cut in key interest rates boosts support for an economy hit by virus lockdowns and property woes. The nation's apparent oil demand last month was about 10% lower year-on-year.

"We're really seeing where China's economy is at and it's a lot less rosy than people had hoped, consumption is going to be lower than anticipated, certainly for oil," Sueden Financial head of research Geordie Wilkes said by phone.

After over a year of stalled and cancelled talks, a nuclear deal with Iran looks more likely on Monday. A spokesperson for the Iranian foreign ministry said there could be a basis for a signed agreement "in the very near future," while Foreign Minister Hossein Amirabdollahian said in a separate briefing that the country would inform the European Union tonight of its position while striking a more conciliatory tone than in recent months.

Some of the potential additional flow of Iranian oil to the global market will have already been priced in said Saxo Bank head of commodity strategy Ole Hansen, but "any additional supply news will give ammunition to funds selling oil as a hedge against an economic slowdown," he said.

Crude has ticked lower over the past couple of months on concerns about an economic slowdown, shedding all the gains put on following Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Money managers have cut their bullish bets on WTI to the lowest in over two years, according to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

China's economic recovery unexpectedly weakened in July as fresh Covid-19 outbreaks impacted consumer and business spending. Industrial output rose 3.8% from a year ago, lower than June's 3.9% and missing economists' forecast of a 4.3% increase. Oil refining also fell as plants shut for maintenance.

Oil is still up around 20% this year and the surge in energy prices over the first half has underpinned record earnings for producers. Saudi Aramco posted the biggest quarterly adjusted profit of any listed company globally, following its big oil rivals such as Shell Plc and Exxon Mobil Corp.



Global funds make return for China sovereign bonds, snub other debt

BEIJING

CHINA'S sovereign bonds received foreign inflows last month for the first time since January as falling Treasury yields increased their attractiveness. Other onshore debt remained unpopular among global investors.

Overseas funds bought 3.3 billion yuan (\$487 million) of Chinese government bonds last month, according to data from China Central Depository & Clearing Co. That's after offloading 199.3 billion yuan of the notes in the five months through June, which is about 8% of their holdings before the selloff started.

Declining Treasury yields erased their yield premium over Chinese government bonds last month amid doubts over the pace of further Federal Reserve rate hikes. Even though the yield spread between 10-year Treasuries and Chinese bonds of the same tenor has widened since then, as Fed officials talked tough on inflation and China unexpectedly cut a key policy rate, the gap between the two stands at around just 20 basis points, compared with as much as 66 basis points in June.

While monetary policy divergence and relative yields are still the biggest consideration for offshore investors buying Chinese bonds, concerns about possible sanctions due to Chinese policy banks' business relations with Russia are detrimental for foreign demand of their debt, said Kiyong Seong, lead Asia macro strategist at Societe Generale SA.

Global funds' total holdings of yuan-denominated debt in inter-bank market fell to 3.51 trillion yuan at end-July versus 3.57 trillion yuan in the previous month, according to data from the People's Bank of Chi-



na. Overseas investors sold 22.4 billion yuan of policy bank notes and 230 million yuan of local government bonds in July, according to Bloomberg calculations. Foreign holdings of negotiable certificate of deposits fell 18.3 billion yuan, after rising in June.

Chinese sovereign notes posted a monthly gain of 0.78% in July, the most since January, a Bloomberg Index shows. It's on track for another 0.3% gain this month.

Onshore yuan stability last month may have

raised the appeal of Chinese bonds as record trade surplus acted as a tailwind for the currency.

The bullish bond bets could pay off as July credit data showed new loans and corporate bond issuance weakened, leaving banks with excess funds to invest in sovereign debt.

Industrial production and retail sales last month also came in below forecasts while a surveyed jobless rate fell, fanning hopes for further policy easing by the PBOC.

Saudi billionaire made \$500mn Russia bet at war onset

RIYADH

SAUDI billionaire Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal invested more than \$500 million in Russian firms around the time of Moscow's invasion of Ukraine, in a sign of the careful political position the Gulf state has maintained with its OPEC+ partner.

Prince Alwaleed's investment firm, Kingdom Holding Co., acquired depositary receipts issued by Gazprom PJSC, Lukoil PJSC and Rosneft PJSC in February, according to a stock exchange filing. Russia invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24.

Nonspecific dates for the investments were given, and the Saudi firm didn't respond to questions about whether it still owned them. The value of all those depositary receipts dropped rapidly after the war began, when trading in Moscow was halted and western sanctions were imposed on Russia.

Alwaleed, whose grandfather was the founder of modern Saudi Arabia, is one of the country's richest men and most high profile international investors. More recently he has been eclipsed by the kingdom's sovereign wealth fund, chaired by his cousin, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, which acquired a 16.9% stake in Kingdom Holding Co. in May.

The investments highlight Saudi Arabia's delicate relationship with Russia throughout the conflict as many of its Gulf neighbors have pulled back.

President Vladimir Putin and the kingdom's de facto ruler Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman have spoken several times since the start of the war. Both countries have working together within the OPEC+ oil producers group to manage crude supply, largely resisted calls from Western leaders including US President Joe Biden to help tackle global inflation concerns by increasing oil output.

Prince Alwaleed was detained at the Saudi capital's Ritz-Carlton hotel in 2017 along with other princes and government officials as part of what the state called an anti-corruption probe. No formal charges were ever presented, and he was released after 83 days, having reached an undisclosed "confirmed



understanding" with the government.

Kingdom Holding invested 1.37 billion riyals (\$365 million) in Gazprom's American depositary receipts in February, the biggest stake of those disclosed so far this year. It also invested 196 million riyals in Rosneft's global depositary receipts the same month, and 410 million riyals in Lukoil's American depositary receipts between February and March.

The purchases are part of Kingdom Holding's investment program that's focused on alternative financing, energy, entertainment, artificial intelligence, insurance, asset management, commodities and funds.

The Saudi firm invested \$3.4 billion in global equities and depositary receipts since 2020, based on the filing, a rare bit of disclosure by the company. The largest stake was an investment valued at 2.5 billion riyals in Spain's Telefonica SA between April to August 2020.

It also disclosed stakes in Uber Technologies

Inc., TotalEnergies SE, Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. and BHP Group Ltd., acquired mostly in 2020 and 2021. The most recent deal it disclosed was a 178 million riyal stake in Hercules Capital Inc., made in June. The venture capital firm's shares have risen 17% since the start of July.

Prince Alwaleed, 67, became one of the highest profile Saudi investors after taking stakes in companies such as Citigroup Inc. and Apple Inc. He's supported Prince Mohammed's modernization efforts, including giving women the right to drive.

More recently he's announced the sale of a stake in his Rotana Music label to Warner Music Group Corp., and he raised \$2.2 billion by selling part of his stake in the Four Seasons hotel chain to Bill Gates' Cascade Investment LLC.

Alwaleed is known for long-term investments and is a fan of famed investor Warren Buffett. He once called himself the Oracle of Omaha's Arabian equivalent.

Mark Cuban: If you really want to grow rich, do this

By Alisa Wolfson



RECENTLY, we came across a simple piece of money advice from billionaire entrepreneur Mark Cuban on his Maverick blog that we felt resonated in today's money-stressed world.

Cuban answers the question "so what should you do to get rich?" with this point first and foremost: "Save your money. Save as much money as you possibly can."

Every penny you can. Instead of coffee, drink water. Instead of going to McDonald's, eat mac and cheese. Cut up your credit cards. If you use a credit card, you don't want to be rich. The first step to getting rich requires discipline. If you really want to be rich, you need to find the discipline.

Indeed plenty of pros agree with him that saving money can make you, if not rich, then at least richer (and the good news is this: savings accounts are now paying far more than they did a year ago, and you can find the best rates you can get here). But, just like Cuban says, saving money does require discipline. So what does it take to create the discipline to save money early and often?

Ask yourself this question - then do a deep follow-up on it

"The first step is you have to want to make changes," says certified financial planner Spencer Betts of Bickling Financial Services. So ask yourself: Do I really want to achieve this goal? If the answer is yes - truly, really, yes - then you're on your way.

Then look at why you answered yes - what will it mean for your life to have money saved? How will it improve your life in a meaningful way? Financial therapist Rick Kahler says he's seen people go from saving nothing to saving \$5,000 per month after exploring their emotions and beliefs around money. "There are lots of things a person can do to strong-arm themselves into a short-term behavior change, but they often just don't last. This is a case where a person needs to slow down to go fast. The results are that people who spend thousands of dollars and many years trying to obtain [wealth] via short [cuts], could have reached [that goal] much faster if they slowed down and looked under their psychological hood," says Kahler.

Create a specific, and reasonable, goal. Then, having a specific goal in mind for making the change can be helpful. "Anytime you change how you spend money, it's going to feel weird. You're going to have to change your lifestyle in some way, so having a good reason for making that type of change is good to focus on," says Betts.

Starting with small changes, rather than big ones, can help keep you on track without feeling like you've lost control. Maybe it's something as little as saving \$100 extra every paycheck. Another tip: "Look at your monthly recurring spending to see if there are services you're paying for that you no longer need. This is good to do periodically, like every six months. Are there any charges that can be avoided in the future like late payments, ATM fees or overdrafts," says Betts.

Much like Cuban proffers, Betts says making coffee at home instead of pick-

ing it up, or cooking more at home instead of eating out can increase your monthly budget. "Even though these expenses may seem small, if you can reduce spending \$25 per week, that means an extra \$1,300 in savings after 1 year," says Betts.

Look at your past behavior to avoid future mistakes

Mistakes can derail us - and while you will make some, avoiding as many as you can will help you stay on track. So look at what's derailed your saving money in the past. Betts says one of the most popular questions he gets from clients ages 16 to 60 is how they can develop the discipline to save more money. One of the first things he tells these clients? "Try to understand the why behind any past financial mistakes, why did you feel the need to make the purchase, sign up for the service or overextend yourself financially? We need to understand our motivation for spending money so we can make changes going forward," says Betts.

Reward yourself along the way

"To build up the habit of saving, every time a person saves they should reward one of the senses," says Julia Kramer, financial behavior and leadership consultant at Signature Financial Planning.

Use these simple hacks. Kramer says research has shown that simple techniques such as naming a savings account, visualizing a savings goal or having a picture of a savings goal and looking at it for several minutes a day increases savings rates around 5% to 7%. "I joke with my clients that it's free and has no calories, so why not try," says Kramer.

Automate your savings. To do this, set up an automatic transfer from a checking account to a savings account. See the best savings account rates you can get here.

Be smart with windfalls

Should you come into money from a bonus or tax refund - it's important to pay attention to your psyche. "When clients receive a windfall, we think about having some fun today and having some fun in the future. This way clients have the opportunity to enjoy the present while planning for the future."

Minimize temptations

Certified financial planner Marguerita Cheng says you can do to reduce the temptation to overspend by not storing your credit card information online. "You can also minimize the number of apps you have which makes it harder to splurge," says Cheng.

Bolt reports complying with Latra tariff order

By Guardian Reporter

BOLT Tanzania has said has complied with Land Transport Regulatory Authority (Latra) tariff order, despite the negative impact of the tariff directive on the business.

The company said has complied with Latra conditions including minimum fare of 3,000/-, maximum fare of 900/- per kilometer, maximum commission at 15 percent (including Value Added Tax, Withholding Tax, Latra Levy), as well as removing base fare and booking fee.

"Bolt has continued offering ride-hailing services at a colossal cost to the business. To demonstrate goodwill and create an opportunity for an amicable resolution," the company said in a statement. "It is important to note that Bolt's singular appeal to LATRA was to include the booking fee in the tariff order to make the ride-hailing business viable."

However, Bolt is appealing for a quick resolution of the matter has taken longer than anticipated or promised by LATRA.

The company says will commence

operational changes to the retail car ride-hailing services with effect from 17th August 2022.

"These operational changes will involve communication with the stakeholders including drivers and passengers during the week commencing 10th August 2022," according to a statement.

Bolt says is aware that this action will have a tremendous effect on our stakeholders, especially over 10,000 drivers who earn livelihood on the platform and millions of passengers who use the platform for their mobility solutions.

"While Bolt regrets this action, the company has no option but to mitigate financial losses," the statement added.

In April this year, Bolt announced the plan to switch off operations in Tanzania following a new 15 percent service fee order that went into effect on the 15th of April 2022.

Bolt, is currently provide passengers with an alternative means of transport using personal vehicles, bodaboda and Bajaj of which has created employment opportunities to Tanzania as well as providing supplement income to Small

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Iran says Rushdie and supporters to blame for attack

DUBAI

NO one has the right to level accusations against Iran over Friday's attack on Salman Rushdie, for which he and his supporters are solely to blame, the foreign ministry in Tehran said yesterday. The novelist, who has lived under threat for decades since enraging clerical authorities in Iran through his writing, is recovering after being repeatedly stabbed at a public appearance in New York state.

In Iran's first official reaction to Friday's attack, ministry spokesperson Nasser Kanaani said freedom of speech did not justify Rushdie's insults against religion. His 1988 novel *The Satanic Verses* is viewed by some Muslims as containing blasphemous passages.

"During the attack on Salman Rushdie, we do not consider anyone other than himself and his supporters worthy of re-

proach, reproach and condemnation," Kanaani told a news briefing. "No one has the right to accuse Iran in this regard."

Writers and politicians around the world have condemned the attack.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said on Sunday that Iranian state institutions had incited violence against Rushdie for generations, and state-affiliated media had gloated about the attempt on his life.

The Indian-born writer has lived with a bounty on his head since *The Satanic Verses* was published in 1988. The following year, Iran's then Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a fatwa, or edict, calling on Muslims to kill the novelist and anyone involved in the book's publication.

The Iranian government said in 1998 it would no longer back the fatwa.

But in 2019, Twitter suspended Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khome-



Salman Rushdie attends the 68th National Book Awards Ceremony and Benefit Dinner on Nov 15, 2017, in New York. AP

nei's account over a tweet that said the fatwa against Rushdie was "solid and irrevocable".

Hardline reactions

Rushdie, 75, has lived relatively openly in recent years.

He was about to deliver a lecture at the Chautauqua Institution in western New York on the importance of the United States as a haven for targeted artists when police say a 24-year-old man rushed the stage and stabbed him.

The suspect in the stabbing, Hadi Matar of Fairview, New Jersey, pleaded not guilty to charges of attempted murder and assault at a court appearance on Saturday, his court-appointed lawyer, Nathaniel Barone, told Reuters.

An initial law enforcement review of Matar's social media accounts showed he was sympathetic to Shi'ite extremism and Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, according to NBC News. The IRGC is a powerful faction that Washington accuses of carrying out a global extremist campaign.

Ministry spokesperson Kanaani said Rushdie

had "exposed himself to popular outrage by insulting Islamic sanctities and crossing the red lines of 1.5 billion Muslims."

He said Iran had no other information about the novelist's suspected assailant except what had appeared in media.

Hardline Iranian state media outlets celebrated the attack with headlines including "Satan has been blinded" and some Iranians voiced support online for the stabbing.

Matar was the son of a man from Yaroun in southern Lebanon, according to Ali Tehfe, the town's mayor. Matar's parents emigrated to the United States, where he was born and raised, the mayor said, adding he had no information on their political views.

The Iran-backed armed group Hezbollah holds significant sway in Yaroun, where posters of Khomeini and slain IRGC commander Qasem Soleimani, who was killed by a US drone strike in 2020, adorned walls at the weekend.

A Hezbollah official told Reuters on Saturday that the group had no additional information on the attack on Rushdie. **Agencies**

Emirates invests \$2 billion to take its on-board customer experience to new heights

DUBAI

PRIDING itself on a brand promise of 'Fly Better', Emirates is investing over US\$2 billion to enhance its inflight customer experience, including a massive programme to retrofit over 120 aircraft with the latest interiors, plus an array of other service improvements across all cabins starting in 2022.

Sir Tim Clark, President Emirates Airline said: "While others respond to industry pressures with cost cuts, Emirates is flying against the grain and investing to deliver ever better experiences to our customers. Through the pandemic we've continued to launch new services and initiatives to ensure our customers travel with the assurance and ease, including digital initiatives to improve customer experiences on the ground. Now we're rolling out a series of intensive programmes to take Emirates' signature inflight experiences to the next level."

Some of Emirates' latest initiatives include: elevated meal choices, a brand new vegan menu, a 'cinema in the sky' experience, cabin interior upgrades, sustainable choices and a generous approach to the little touches that make travel memorable.

Starting from August, Emirates' passengers can look forward to new inspirations and menus. An award-winning team of chefs, a world-class catering team and a wide variety of suppliers have been assembled to design and deliver the best fine dining experience in the sky.

New menus will be served on select Emirates routes in First Class, featuring dishes such as pan-fried salmon trout with moqueca sauce and creole rice, roasted duck breast with orange thyme jus, steamed broccolini and fondant potatoes. New menus will also be introduced to Business and Economy on the 1st of September.

Emirates' new vegan menu is carefully curated to cater to the growing numbers of customers pursuing this thoughtful lifestyle. Vegans, or anyone interested in a delicious and healthy plant-based meal, will enjoy handcrafted gourmet dishes such as pan-roasted king oyster mushrooms, flavourful and jackfruit. Desserts are a decadent affair with choices of chocolate truffle cake with hazelnut, pistachio and gold leaf, or green grape tart adorned with candied rose petals, and vanilla custard.

Emirates' First Class experience, always a benchmark for service excellence, has been upped a notch in 2022. Customers can now savour unlimited portions of Persian caviar as part of the 'dine on demand' service, with an exquisite pairing of the world-renowned Dom Perignon vintage champagne. Emirates is the only airline with an exclusive agreement to offer the luxury brand on-board.

First Class customers can create a memorable movie moment on-board by ordering cinema snacks as they enjoy the 5,000 channels on Emirates' ice inflight entertainment system. The cinema snack menu includes moreish classics such as lobster rolls, juicy sliders, edamame, and salted popcorn, and can be ordered on demand. All passengers can also curate their own ice experience before their flight, simply by browsing and pre-selecting movies or TV shows on the Emirates app, which can then be synced to ice the moment they board, maximising the seamless travel experience.

Emirates' customers departing on flights from Dubai can begin crunching on fresh greens harvested from Bustanica, the world's largest vertical farm and newly-opened US\$40 million joint venture investment through Emirates Flight Catering. Emirates is continuing to invest in sustainable operations and supply chains, seeking local food suppliers and farms wherever possible to serve the freshest produce on board.

Emirates has partnered with Ecole hôtelière de Lausanne, one of the world's top hospitality management schools, to craft the Emirates Hospitality strategy and encourage inspiring customer experiences. Emirates Cabin Crew have already begun engaging in intensive training programmes focused on delivering the four service pillars: excellence, attentiveness, innovation and passion.

The most significant investment is an extensive and record-breaking refurbishment of the aircraft fleet interiors, where cabins will be retrofitted with new or reupholstered seats, new panelling, flooring and other cabin features.

Benefiting all Emirates passengers, every cabin class will be refreshed and new Premium Economy cabins installed. After the retrofit, Emirates will have a total of 120 aircraft offering Premium Economy seats - the only airline in the region to offer this cabin class, and enhanced interiors and features across all other cabins. With its first aircraft scheduled to roll into the Emirates Engineering Centre for retrofitting in November, planning work and trials have begun in earnest.



First Class customers can create a memorable movie moment on-board by ordering cinema snacks as they enjoy the 5,000 channels on Emirates' ice inflight entertainment system

Drills are 'stern deterrence to US-Taiwan collusion', ministry says

THE patrol and combat drills conducted by the People's Liberation Army around the Taiwan island are a "stern deterrence to US-Taiwan collusion", the Defense Ministry said on Monday after a delegation of members of the United States Congress visited the island.

The visit, led by US Senator Ed Markey, "seriously violated the one-China principle and three China-US joint communiqués and infringed on China's sovereignty and territory integrity", Senior Colonel Wu Qian, spokesman for the Ministry of National Defense, said in a statement, noting that the visit has also demonstrated that it's the US that undermines peace and stability across the Taiwan Straits.

"The inter-service joint patrol and the combat exercises organized by the PLA's Eastern Theater Command in the air and

waters off the Taiwan island are a firm response and stern deterrence to provocations and collusion between the US and Taiwan," he said.

Senior Colonel Shi Yi, a spokesman for the theater command, made similar remarks in a news release on Monday, saying the US and Taiwan continue to "play political tricks".

"The troops of the theater command will take all necessary measures to resolutely safeguard national sovereignty and peace and stability across the Straits," he said.

Wu, the Defense Ministry spokesman, also warned the US and Taiwan's Democratic Progressive Party administration that efforts to use Taiwan to contain China and the island's collusion with foreign forces in an effort to seek "independence" are doomed to fail, stressing that the Taiwan question allows for no foreign in-



Senior Colonel Wu Qian, a spokesperson for China's Ministry of National Defense. File photo

terference.

He said any attempt that bucks the trend of history, ignores the will of the Chinese people, or

obstructs the process of China's reunification will surely end in failure.

"The PLA will resolutely thwart

any attempt for "Taiwan independence" or external interference in any form," he added.

Xinhua

Modi: India aims to become developed nation in 25 years

NEW DELHI

INDIA will aim to become a developed nation within 25 years, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in a national day address yesterday, with policies to support domestic production in power, defense and digital technology.

Speaking from the 17th century Red Fort in Delhi as India celebrates its 75th year of independence from British colonial rule, Modi exhorted youth to "aim big" and give their best years for the cause of the country.

"We must turn India into a developed country in the next 25 years, in our lifetime," said the 71-year-old Modi, wearing a turban in the colors of the Indian flag, in his 75-minute-speech in Hindi.

"It's a big resolution, and we should work towards it with all our might."

The World Bank currently categorizes



Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets after addressing the nation at the 17th century Red Fort on Independence Day in New Delhi, India, yesterday. AP

India as a lower-middle income economy - meant for countries with a gross national income per capita of between US\$1,086 and

US\$4,255. High income countries, like the United States, have a per capita income of US\$13,205 or more.

India is the world's sixth-largest economy and is expected to grow at over 7 percent in the current fiscal year ending in March 2023 - the fastest among major economies.

Many experts say India's economy could expand to become the world's third-largest by 2050 after the United States and China, although per capita income, currently around US\$2,100, may remain low compared to many countries.

US President Joe Biden on Sunday congratulated India for its national day and said the United States and India were "indispensable partners" that would continue to work together to address global challenges in the years ahead.

India's neighbor Pakistan, which was part of British India and became independent at the same time, celebrated its independence day on Sunday.

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Summertime night tourism driving economic recovery in China

NIGHT tourism is getting trendy in China.

In the first half of this year, ticket booking for night tours across China on online travel booking platform Ctrip recovered to 70 percent of the pre-pandemic level in 2019, and the number of people booking tickets in the recent two weeks for night tours during the summer vacation surged tenfold from a month ago.

According to Tongcheng Travel, an online travel services provider, ticket booking for night tours to tourist destinations in southwest China's Yunnan province skyrocketed 300 percent

from a week ago.

In the recent month, the search volume for "night market" increased 150 percent on Chinese travel service and social networking platform Mafengwo. Yunnan, northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur autonomous region and Gansu province were the most desired destinations among young tourists, the platform said.

A night tour to the Liangma River in Beijing has become popular among Beijing residents and tourists to the Chinese capital these days. To further release consumption demand and encourage the development of nighttime

economy, a night tour promotion drive was recently held in the city. Innovative business models that spur nighttime consumption related to food, entertainment, and sports, as well as nighttime shopping, are injecting new vitality into Beijing's summer tourism.

Splendid nighttime tourism activities have driven up the tourism market, stimulated consumption demand, and assisted the recovery of local economy.

At the Hengdian World Studios, one of the largest film studios in the world and a renowned tourist attraction in east China's Zhejiang province, a large nighttime show about film making has been staged

over 600 times. This immersive and interactive show provides tourists with a unique experience in which they are not only the audience, but also "actors."

At the amusement park Happy Valley Beijing, light shows are performed to build an immersive touring experience for visitors.

"Night tourism is growing into a robust driver of urban renewal and the upgrading of tourism consumption. It is closely combined with culture, technology and consumption," said Ge Lei, deputy president of a research institute under the China Youth Travel Service.

Night tourism is creating huge visitor

flows and thus upgrading the business models of nighttime economy, Ge said, adding that new scenarios have been created to further spur the recovery of nighttime consumption.

According to statistics released by Tongcheng Travel, the number of car hailing orders placed at night near tourist attractions in Dongguan, south China's Guangdong province, increased 57 percent in the recent week from a month ago. There was also a 21 percent weekly increase in nighttime car hailing services in both Guangzhou, capital of Guangdong and Xi'an, northwest China's Shaanxi province.

An employee of Tongcheng Travel told People's Daily that the prospering night tourism not only promotes the development of tourist attractions, but also drives other sectors, such as accommodation, catering, and transport.

Night economy makes up an important part of urban life. It satisfies people's diversified demands for culture, improves the vitality of cities, and ignites new passions for consumption. Night tours with local characteristics can build new images for cities and promote rapid recovery of the local tourism and culture market.

People's Daily

Dar, Moscow share common values

DAR ES SALAAM and Moscow are the cities at the opposite ends of the world, but what do they have in common?

Oddly enough, both have been sharing similar trends in their development. The history of Dar es Salaam, the economic capital of Tanzania, needs no introduction to our readers. This time we invite you to uncover a parallel history of Moscow, the economic capital of Russia. We'll see whether these urban centers are true as polar as they may seem.

Both cities, Moscow and Dar es Salaam sprung up on the crossroads of traffic and trade.

First mentioned in 1147 Moscow grew at the confluence of two rivers. One of them, the Moskva river served as one of the major regional waterways of its time, connecting five of the Russian lands' wealthiest principalities. Given that fish and spices were brought from the east, furs traveled from beyond the Ural Mountains, grain flowed from the south while land trade with Europe flourished. Slowly, the region accumulated enviable resources, promising stable growth and prosperity.

Moscow and Dar es Salaam have boasted the title of the state capital.

The rise of Moscow as the center of Russian unity had much to do with the Mongol-Tatar rule over the region. How could these circumstances have helped it grow? By earning the favor of Batu Khan, Moscow princes won the right to collect taxes from all of the Russian principalities on behalf of the Golden Horde. This allowed Moscow to assert its initial dominance over the other principalities. However, by showing favoritism, the Golden Horde was able to sow discord in the Russian lands. Moscow's princes knew they had to find another method of increasing the city's importance in the eyes of other states. That's why in 1325 Moscovian prince Ivan Kalita persuaded Metropolitan Peter to move his residence to Moscow turning it into the spiritual center of the future Russian Orthodox Church. Ultimately, Moscow was able to unite the Russian lands through the conflict. In 1380 Legendary Moscovian prince Dmitry Donskoy achieved the first victory over the Mongols by calling upon all of the Russian principalities for support. The myth The Golden Horde's invincibility was dispelled once and for all, allowing just one more century of unification to finally free the Russians. The era of the Tatar rule was over by 1480. With this victory, Moscow became the capital of a united Rus at the end of the 15th century.

Both Moscow and Dar es Salaam have ceded the title of the state capital.

However, just two centuries later a major shift in the nation's political landscape led to the construction of a new capital - St. Petersburg. In spite of this seemingly major shift, the city remained the heart and soul of the Russian nation. In the second half of the 18th century Moscow became home to the first university founded in Russia. The famous home of Russian ballet, Bolshoi Theatre was opened in exactly that period as well. Centuries passed before the Russian revolution of 1918: within the next four years, Moscow would become the capital of the newly formed Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR).

Both cities, Moscow and Dar es Salaam, grew and flourished as the economic hubs of their countries.

Europe's industrial revolution breathed new life into the bustling city: by the end of the 18th century, Moscow boasted almost 300 factories. In 1837 the Moscow stock exchange was established.

The emancipation of the serfs in 1861 turned a subjugated class into a virile and hopeful workforce that was granted mobility with the introduction of the railway. In 1935, the first line of the future biggest metro in the world was launched. This existing infrastructure and ever-growing workforce created an impressive springboard for the mass industrialization of the USSR. A massive spike in scientific exploration and heavy industry became one of the key factors for Moscow's survival and victory in the Second World War. A ravaged city rose from the ashes of an invasion thanks to its accumulated industry and a huge number of research institutes.

These days Moscow represents an exciting mix of the USSR's historical industries and modern eco-friendly enterprises producing robots, smart chips, 3D printers, and modern composite materials. These new techs create a diverse and ever-growing business landscape combined with Russia's traditional mechanical engineering, road construction, agricultural machinery, and light and food industries provided by more than 600 companies in the City.

Today's Moscow is one of the largest agglomerations in the world, with a population of 15 million. A major economic, financial, political, cultural, and scientific center, Moscow has a stable and no-debt city budget compared to Tokyo or New York. As one of the largest urban economies in the world, the city remains in the TOP 10 of the largest consumer markets. The capital holds the leading position in the WeGo and UN ratings in electronic services provision.

Aside from sharing a similar history of development, both cities, Moscow and Dar es Salaam, are following a similar urbanization path in the present.

Modern demands for the development of convenient cities are being met in both centers, suggesting an opportunity for cooperation in the areas of smart technologies and industrial innovation.

Having so many things in common two great cities are bound to share the experience in making the life of their citizens safe, secure, comfortable and cozy as well as better presenting themselves to the world as trade, investment, tourism and culture hubs.

A Close and deep cooperation between Dar es Salaam and Moscow brings mutual benefits not only to the two cities but to the nations of Russia and Tanzania.

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Rising concern about political violence in US after Mar-a-Lago search

WASHINGTON

CONCERN is rising about more occurrence of political violence in the United States after the search of former U.S. President Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate by federal agents.

MAR-A-LAGO SEARCH

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) searched Trump's estate in Mar-a-Lago, a resort in Florida's Palm Beach, last week, as part of a probe launched by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) into whether the former president had mishandled classified documents.

A federal judge unsealed on Friday the search warrant, which showed investigators had been authorized to seize any physical documents with classification markings, as well as information "regarding the retrieval, storage, or transmission of national defense information or classified material."

It also allowed the agents to take any government records created during the Trump presidency and "any evidence of the knowing alteration, destruction, or concealment of any government and/or Presidential Records, or of any documents with classification markings."

A "receipt for property" contained 33 seized items, including 11 sets of documents described either as "classified/TS/SCI," "top secret," "secret," or "confidential."

The warrant also listed three potential criminal violations - concealment or removal of federal records, destruction or alteration of records in a federal investigation, and transmission of defense information, per three laws including a key facet of the Espionage Act.

The Espionage Act has been used against those who leak classified information and those who remove classified information from secure facilities and store it at home.



Mar-a-Lago resort

Following the Mar-a-Lago search, the White House stressed they had no private knowledge of the FBI's raid.

"We do not interfere. We do not get briefed. We do not get involved," White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre told ABC "This Week" co-anchor Jonathan Karl in an exclusive interview on Sunday. "This is a law enforcement matter. And the Department of Justice is going to move forward as they see fit."

SHARP RESPONSE

Trump responded that the documents seized from Mar-a-Lago had all been "declassified" while accusing the DOJ of "playing politics."

Meanwhile, violent threats and calls for "civil war" erupted on pro-Trump forums online, with some far-right figures publicly spreading violent rhetoric. Republican lawmakers and Trump's conservative allies have also rallied to demand an explanation from U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland.

Garland told reporters on Thursday that he personally "approved the decision to seek a search warrant in this matter" and the DOJ "does not take such

a decision lightly." He also attempted to brush off the criticism from the Trump world, which he said was "unfounded."

On Thursday, an armed man in Cincinnati, Ohio, tried to breach the FBI field office, and was fatally shot after a standoff. The male was identified as 42-year-old Navy veteran Ricky Shiffer who may have had ties to extremist groups in the United States.

Shiffer appeared to have posted messages on Truth Social - a media platform started by Trump for conservatives - about his effort to get into the FBI Cincinnati office.

"Well, I thought I had a way through bullet proof glass, and I didn't," an account with Shiffer's name wrote. "If you don't hear from me, it is true I tried attacking the F.B.I., and it'll mean either I was taken off the internet, the F.B.I. got me, or they sent the regular cops while."

That account also told others to "get whatever you need to be ready for combat," and urged them to kill the FBI "on sight," and be ready to take down other active enemies of the people and those who try to prevent you from doing it."

FBI Director Christopher Wray issued

a statement on Thursday, saying the "attacks on the integrity of the FBI erode respect for the rule of law."

"Violence and threats against law enforcement, including the FBI, are dangerous and should be deeply concerning to all Americans," Wray suggested.

On Sunday, multiple U.S. media outlets reported that the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security had recently issued a joint intelligence bulletin, warning of a spike in threats to federal law enforcement officials.

There has been an increase in violent threats posted on social media against federal officials and facilities, including threats to place a so-called dirty bomb in front of FBI headquarters and general calls for "civil war" and "armed rebellion," the bulletin reportedly read.

It also called on officials to be aware of issues related to domestic violent extremists, as well as past and present incidents, and to stay vigilant.

FIGHT FOR QUALIFICATION

Trump has been alleged to have taken classified materials from the White House to Mar-a-Lago when the Repub-

lican left office in January 2021.

The Presidential Records Act requires that all records created by presidents be turned over to the National Archives at the end of their administrations.

According to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), some of the Trump presidential records received by the federal agency included paper records that had been torn up by the former president.

In January, the NARA also arranged for the transport from Mar-a-Lago to the National Archives of 15 boxes that contained presidential records. Prosecutors reportedly launched a criminal probe into Trump's mishandling of classified documents in April.

Trump has not been charged with any crime by the DOJ, and it is not clear whether he will be charged.

Nevertheless, it is unlikely Trump would be banned from running for the White House again if he were convicted, since the U.S. Constitution would take precedence over the statute, said legal analysts.

"Can't impose qualifications on holding the presidency by statute - the qualifications are set out in the Constitution," Washington Post legal columnist Jason Willick tweeted Tuesday.

Marc Elias, Democratic Party elections lawyer, stressed that there is still a possibility that Trump would have to fight for his qualification for a second White House bid in court.

The idea that a candidate would have to litigate it during a presidential campaign is a "blockbuster in American politics," Elias tweeted Tuesday. **Xinhua**

Biodiversity enhanced in China's Qinling Mountains

THE Qinling Mountains, a natural boundary between China's north and south, is an important region of water conservation for the Yellow River and Yangtze River basins. It is home to rich biological resources.

In recent years, northwest China's Shaanxi province has taken ecological protection and restoration in the Qinling Mountains as a priority, where ecology of human-nature harmony has taken shape.

In a wild crested ibis rescue and breeding center in Shaanxi Hanzhong Crested Ibis National Nature Reserve on the southern slope of the Qinling Mountains, there is a net cage covering an area of 10 mu, or nearly 0.67 hectares. The gigantic net cage is where crested ibises are trained before they are released into the wild.

After 40 years of efforts, the national nature reserve, mainly in Yangxian county, Shaanxi's Hanzhong city, has achieved remarkable progress in the protection of crested ibises. At present, there are over 7,000 crested ibises on the nature reserve, and the species has expanded its range overseas.

So far, Shaanxi has established five artificial breeding centers for the rare bird species and developed four populations to be released into the wild, in an attempt to reintroduce the artificially bred crested ibises to their traditional habitats. The habitats of wild crested ibises now cover 16,000 square kilometers, from less than 5 square kilometers when they were discovered.

Apart from the expanding population of crested ibises, the number of key wild animals under national protection is also increasing, such as giant pandas, golden snub-nosed monkeys and takins.

Besides, there are also achievements in plant protection. *Primula filchnerae*, a species that once had been considered extinct, was rediscovered in Yangxian county in 2015. Last year, *Kingdonia uniflora*, a species of perennial herbs under China's first-class protection, was discovered for the first time under an altitude of 2,700 meters in the Taibai Mountain, the main peak of the Qinling Mountains. Recently, *Cardiocrinum cathayanum* and *Allium tsinlingense* were found for the first time in the Qinling Mountains.

Shaanxi has been taking ecological conservation as a top priority in recent



Photo taken in September 2019 shows a crested ibis in northwest China's Shaanxi province. File photo

years, and implemented a series of restoration projects such as protecting natural forests, constructing nature reserves and returning farmland to forest and grassland. A total of 116 reserves have been built in the Qinling Mountains, covering a total of 9,200 square kilometers. Over 75 percent of the ecosystems and over 70 percent of wildlife species in Shaanxi province have been protected in the reserves.

A digital monitoring network has been built in the Qinling Mountains, which employs internet of things monitoring, thermal imaging recognition, drone patrol and a smart eco-protection system. These technologies form a three-dimensional remote sensing monitoring system that helps to safeguard the ecology in the Qinling Mountains.

According to forestry authorities in Shaanxi province, more than 70 percent of wildlife species in the province have been put under protection, and the population of spe-

cies under key protection has been on a constant rise.

The population of wild giant pandas in Shaanxi increased from 109 in the 1980s to 345 at the time of China's fourth national giant panda survey. The number of golden snub-nosed monkeys hit 5,900, and the population of takins exceeded 5,000. Chinese yew, Chinese dove-tree, *Kingdonia uniflora*, *Psathyrostachys huashanica*, *Larix chinensis* and other endangered plant species have all been effectively protected.

The plan to create the Qinling Mountains National Park was officially approved in October, 2021. It will further enhance the ecological efforts in the Qinling Mountains. To protect the authenticity and integrity of natural ecosystems in the mountain range, a science-based protection and management mechanism centering is being developed, with a focus on the ecological restoration of the Qinling Mountains.

People's Daily

Egyptian church fire kills at least 41, most of them children

CAIRO

AN electrical fire swept through an Egyptian Coptic Christian church during Mass on Sunday, causing a stampede and killing at least 41 people, most of them children and many suffering from smoke inhalation.

The blaze started just before 9 am in the Abu Sifin church in the city of Giza where about up to 1,000 people had gathered.

The fire blocked an entrance to the church, causing the stampede, the two sources said, adding that most of those killed were children.

"People were gathering on the third and fourth floor, and we saw smoke coming from the second floor. People rushed to go down the stairs and started falling on top of each other," said worshipper Yasir Munir.

"Then we heard a bang and sparks and fire coming out of the window," he said, saying he and his daughter were on the ground floor and able to escape.

Electrical fires are not rare in Egypt. In late 2020, a fire at a hospital treating COVID-19 patients killed at least seven people.

In a statement, the Interior Ministry said a forensic examination showed that the fire began in the second floor air conditioning as a result of an electrical malfunction.

Smoke inhalation was the main cause of death, it said. Families of those who died will receive 100,000 Egyptian pounds (\$5,220), according to a cabinet statement.

Giza, Egypt's second-largest city, lies just across the Nile from Cairo.

"I offer my sincere condolences to the families of the innocent victims that have passed on to be with their Lord in one of his houses of worship," said Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi in a tweet.

Maher Murad said he left his sister at the church after prayers.

"As soon as I got away from the church by only 10 meters, I heard the sound of screaming and saw thick smoke," he said.

"After the firefighters doused the fire, I recognized my sister's body. The bodies were all charred, and many of them are children who were in a nursery room in the church."

"I don't know if it was an electrical fire or what happened, but there were kids and old people, we saved whom we could save," said Kirolos, who was speaking from a hospital where he was being treated for injuries.

A funeral was held for those killed in the fire late on Sunday at a cemetery in Giza.

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Egyptian mourners carry the coffins of the victims killed in Cairo Coptic church fire, during a funeral at the church of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Giza governorate on Sunday. AFP

SPORT



Kampala International University in Tanzania (KIUT) women's volleyball team and Mbeya Best VI men's volleyball team pose for a group photo shortly after taking part in this year's FISD International Volleyball Tournament which took place in Malawi recently. PHOTO: COURTESY OF KAMPALA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY IN TANZANIA

Kampala International University volleyball squad shines in Malawi tourney

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

KAMPALA International University in Tanzania (KIUT)'s ladies volleyball team returned to Tanzania on Monday after taking part in this year's edition of the FISD International Volleyball Tournament in Malawi.

The international tournament took place at Katoto Open courts in Mzuzu, bringing together outfits from Zambia, Tanzania, and host Malawi.

This is the first-ever appearance for Kampala International University in Tanzania's women's volleyball team in the tournament and the team lost 3-2 to Leopards Prisons of Zambia in the semi-finals of the tournament.

Hassan Ismail, KIUT's Senior Admission Officer, was delighted with his team's performance in the tournament.

To reach the semi-finals, the KIUT volleyball team beat the Ultimate team 3-0, whereas Leopards Prisons beat Mipuniro with the same margin of sets.

"We are very delighted that our team has finished in the semi-finals of the international volleyball tournament which took place in Malawi, this was our first ever appearance at the tournament but the players did their best," he said.

He said the university provides scholarships to best performing sportswomen and, currently, beneficiaries of the scholarship are netballers and volleyball players.

Ismail said in volleyball they are working with Mtwara's Mkalapa Primary School and Mkalapa Secondary School volleyball teams, the main beneficiaries of the scholarships.

He mentioned Neema Kuntungwa, Salma Kuntungwa, Anna Ngowi, Evangelista Makota, Lafia Matandika, Radhia Matandika, and Catherine Onesmo as players under the program.

The seven volleyballers were in the university's team that held it out in Malawi.

The official revealed: "The scholarship for athletes started last year, KIUT targets to see to it that young athletes are getting both professional and academic education."

"We are currently working with Mkalapa Primary School and Mkalapa Secondary School, when they complete Form Four or Form Six they enroll for certificate or diploma education in the fields of their choices, they thereafter go for undergraduate studies," he said.

He said KIUT women's volleyball side has been performing well in various local and international tournaments.

Ismail pointed out: "Our team is the defending champion of University Volleyball Games of the year 2021/22, All-Africa volleyball event which took place in Iringa last year."

"We are also on position one in Dar es Salaam Volleyball League I, and we were runners-up in the German Sisters City Beach Volleyball tournament which took place last year in Hamburg, Germany," Ismail said.

He hailed Mkalapa Primary School and Mkalapa Secondary School for producing volleyball players he described as an asset to the nation's volleyball development.

Mbeya Best VI, a men's club, was Tanzania's other team in the showpiece, the squad was the showdown's defending champion.

Speaking on Saturday in Malawi at the sidelines of the tournament, Tanzania's High Commissioner to Malawi Humphrey Polepole hailed the strong sporting relationship that exists between Tanzania and Malawi.

Polepole disclosed: "Tanzania and Malawi have a very productive and fruitful bilateral cooperation that ranges from politics to infrastructure development, trade, investment, and sports."

"It's good to see that we have two teams from Tanzania competing here, this only shows that our relationship is very strong," he said.

Simba SC kits supplying firm sheds light on loss

By Correspondent Ismail Tano

THE Vunjabai Group Limited's Chief Executive Officer, Fred Ngajiro, whose firm has been commissioned to supply kits for Mainland Tanzania Premier League club, Simba SC, revealed the loss totaling US dollars 150,000 (more than 349m/-) he has faced.

Ngajiro's statement has come in the wake of complaints issued by Simba SC's members and followers on the club's delay in selling them jerseys for the 2022/23 season.

The businessman, popularly known as 'Fred Vunjabai', stated the loss was brought about by the decision by the side to change the logo for jerseys following the acquisition of a new main sponsor.

Simba SC recently entered five year- sponsorship deal worth 26.1bn/- with a new main sponsor, M-BET Tanzania.

The deal forced the Msimbazi Street club to change its jerseys' logo, doing away with the logo of the past main sponsor, SportPesa, and replacing it with M-BET Tanzania's logo.

The businessman said when the new sponsorship contract was unveiled, he had already brought the jerseys that had the logo of the previous main sponsor.

According to Ngajiro, the changes caused the entrepreneur to lose the amount of money

given he was forced to see to it there are new kits that have the new main sponsor's logo.

The entrepreneur pointed out: "When Simba called me to tell me about the suspension of the jersey production due to the acquisition of a new contract, I had to order the exercise to be suspended, it resulted in the delay in supplying the kits."

The official revealed: "The contract with the current guarantor is good and that's why we decided to settle down to talk and put issues right."

Ngajiro revealed he had no option, he thought it was better to be late in having the club's followers wear the jerseys considering the new contract is good.

Simba's new kits were introduced late and, even when they were made public, it was difficult for the enthusiasts to buy them and the development angered them, much as the outfit's leadership issued an explanation early.

"I was as well hurt with the delay, shipping has been a big problem due to many issues at the moment but from Monday (this week) the jerseys will have arrived by ship," Ngajiro pointed out.

He said that the contract for supplying Simba SC jerseys has made him popular in such a way that he did not see any problem although he faced the loss.

SPORTS

Revisiting rule on foreign players tied to FIFA, CAF top-level visit

By Correspondent John Kimbute

IT is now formal that players recruited from foreign countries can play for their team at any moment and in all matches in Mainland Tanzania Premier League if the coach so wants, instead of being limited to either six or seven players on the starting lineup as per the usual regulation.

A wide section of observers was surprised by the change of rules as it was contrary to the usual outlook of leaders of the Tanzania Football Federation.

Yet it must be said that things have not been static on that score, and they have been changing over time.

At the start there was a limit of three foreign players, then moved to seven and subsequently 10, and we are now told 12 can be registered and any or all of them can play in a match.

That was the right thing to do as the idea of losing a match or points due to having to leave someone on the bench so that a local player is fielded is galling, but traditionalists saw that as wisdom.

They were more tuned to numerical fairness in team selection, not real fairness of the team's right to win.

Just how it happened is not exactly on record, and it is unlikely that a local panel would have sat somewhere for the federation and its organs like either the Premier League Board or the Football Coaches Association, and then reach that kind of conclusion.

The fact is that attitudes were still hard in certain quarters if one recalls how former Information, Culture, and Sports minister Harrison Mwakemba had once wished that the limit of seven players be scaled down to three. Simply, they wish there were no foreign players, just that.

In their acute brainstorming over the issue, they figure out that the more local players have a chance to be selected to play in major premier league sides, the better the chance that the national football team 'Taifa Stars' will have good players.

Yet, time and again, the contrary has been demonstrated as factually valid, for instance when a pundit pointed out on a talk show that Young



Yanga's Congolese winger, Ducapele Moloko (C), shoots past Namungo FC defender, Abdulmalik Zacharia (R), when the sides met in the 2021/22 Premier League duel that took place in Dar es Salaam on April 24 this year. PHOTO: CORRESPONDENT JUMANNE JUMA

Africans SC, alias Yanga, had the largest number of foreign players and the biggest number of Taifa Stars players.

Eventually, it is dawning even on conservatives that foreign competition for an opportunity to play pays a lot.

A player who competes for playtime with an excellent player recruited from outside shall train better than in his first team position is assured, and even when such a position seems to be assured, he still knows he has to fight to keep it.

This is not grasped by conservatives as they think play levels relate to morale, which then leads to motivation. Thus, if foreign players are paid better, locals won't play.

What may have occasioned that rethink may to an extent related to the Arusha retreat for top football executives in the country, the region, and globally, such as the president of CAF, South African Patrice Motsepe as well as the FIFA president, Gianni Infantino.

It may well be the case that they had a chance to discuss rules prevalent in African Super League, and as hosts, the TFF chieftain and some club bigwigs would be following the deliberations.

Then there are the one-to-one discussions, and someone elicits the hearing of either Motsepe or Infantino on the seven or fewer foreign players on the starting lineup. He would exclaim it as invalid.

While that would not be a direct order to change the rules as that would be within local competence, it would put the federation on a bad foot if litigation broke out with say a Premier League side, of being unfairly treated.

That comes to having players one cannot field because of a rule about the number of foreign

players who can be on the pitch at any particular moment, for that side.

The TFF leadership knew that if such a case arises, TFF stood to lose the litigation, and pay millions.

So in that regard hosting the annual meeting of the continental federation would have eased the way for local soccer to become that bit more professional, less in the number of players who can be registered and more so in fielding them.

The idea of striking some sort of balance with local players would make little sense as coaches need to decide who plays, without any other yardstick corroding his sense of judgment.

And as recruiting players is costly, clubs have a right to their optimal use, mindful only of technical hitches on positioning, or medical advice on the injury.

That comes down to fair play and commercial good sense but unknown to avoid 'Levellers' until there is a threat of sanctions on their part, not being blocked in continental tournaments as such but rather to sort out unwitting legal complications.

Thus waiving the rule is a precautionary step against litigation rather than a change of mind, but as it is likely to last since institutional or fair play implications of the old rule will remain in place, it becomes a rule.

Eventually, the traditionalists' side of the argument will be forgotten since they were



Tanzania's national chess team's players are pictured after arriving in India for the 44th World Chess Olympiad which was played from July 29-August 9. PHOTO: COURTESY OF TANZANIA CHESS ASSOCIATION

Chess players hold sway in World Chess Olympiad

By Correspondent Joseph Mchekadona

THREE Tanzania's national chess team players have lifted titles in the just-ended 44th World Chess Olympiad in Chennai, India.

Fiddle Master (FM) Ahmed Mlawa, one of Tanzania Chess Association (TCA)'s officials, said the three earned the titles after putting impressive performance in the tournament which started on July 29 and came to a close on August 9.

He said the Chennai showdown's performance was one of the best to have been played by Tanzania in global chess showpieces.

The official said Tanzania had two teams, the Open's side and women's teams, made up of four players and one reserve apiece.

Mlawa said the country was represented by 10 players, each team had four players, one reserve, and one captain.

The official said he was the captain of the Open team that was made up of Albert Njau, Charles Cleophas, Yusuf Mdoe, and Veer Gandhi while the women's team comprised captain Musaa Mangula and players Mahi Shah, Vida Joseph, Mariam Joseph, and Zahabiyah Ebrahim.

He said in the 11 rounds Olympiad, the Open's side got eight points while the women's team got six points.

"We had a good tournament in round 10 in the Open section. Tanzania's team was leading in category E countries and we only needed one more win in round 11 to clinch the gold

medal, unfortunately in that round, we lost 3-1 to Namibia and dropped to seventh place in the category," he said.

Mlawa said Mariam and Mahi garnered the title of Candidate Master (CM) while Albert Njau, the second top-ranked chess player also earned the CM title.

Mariam and Mahi have in the process become the first Tanzanian women to be titled Candidate Masters (CMs).

"This is one of the best Olympiads which the country took part in, we are very happy that the local team did its best and the good thing is that three players earned the chess titles, that is good for the country," he said.

BERNARDO SILVA INTERVIEW:

Man City, Portugal star on his future, desire for trophies

By Rob Dawson, ESPN Correspondent

The new Premier League season is up and running and Manchester City have already put down a marker as they look to lift the title for the fifth time in six years. While rivals Liverpool stumbled on the opening day against newly-promoted Fulham, Pep Guardiola's champions earned a 2-0 win at West Ham courtesy of two goals from summer signing Erling Haaland.

City again look like the team to beat in England while they are also keen to bounce back from their heart-breaking Champions League exit to Real Madrid in May and win Europe's top club competition for the first time in the club's history. Bernardo Silva has been key to City's success since his arrival at the Etihad Stadium in 2017, but with three weeks to go before the transfer deadline, there is speculation he could be tempted by a move to Barcelona.

In a wide-ranging interview with ESPN at the launch of the adidas X speedportal boot he'll wear this season, the Portugal midfielder discusses his future, last season's Champions League disappointment and why he thinks City players still don't get enough credit.

(Editor's Note: This interview has been lightly edited for clarity.)

ESPN: The new season is underway and you had a great start at West Ham on Sunday?

Bernardo Silva: We feel better and better, day by day. Of course, when you come back from holidays, you don't feel as good as when you're in the middle of the season, but the team is growing and getting better and we know we have a tough season ahead of us.

ESPN: Do you feel refreshed after the summer break and ready to go again?

Yeah, it was a good break. It feels like sometimes, when you're in the middle of the season, you need a few days to get back to your normal levels of energy... so these holidays were really nice for me, for my family, for my friends, but now it's back to work. Usually the breaks are a bit shorter than this summer, and it felt really good to finally have some good holidays where I could travel and be with the people that I love. It was nice.

ESPN: You've won so much already at Man City, including four Premier League titles. How do you maintain that hunger to win more?

We know that in the last five years, we won four titles, but we're a team that wants to look back in 20 or 30 years and wants to be remembered as one of the best in the history of the Premier League. Winning four times in five years is great, but if we can win five in six years, it's even better. We've had some new signings over the past few years, the energy is good and we're still hungry for more.

ESPN: Do you feel that this team has already achieved enough to be considered one of the best the Premier League has ever seen?

I think so, yes, but you always want more, especially when you have the types of players that are hungry for more titles. When you're competitive, you don't want to lose and you feel bad when you do it, so you just want to give all your best every year to try to achieve as much as possible.

ESPN: How big a role does Pep Guardiola play in driving that relentless competitiveness?

He doesn't allow you to have a day off. That's the standard that we have at Man City, and that's why the level has been so high over the past five seasons. Having a manager that demands so much from you puts you on high alert knowing that if you don't give 100%, you're not going to play. Everyone knows that if you want to play, you have to give your best and to show it on the pitch.

ESPN: How do you cope with that level of demand from your manager?

Sometimes it's very tiring and stressful, I won't deny it. But [that's football] at the highest level. If you want to play



Silva notes that it's 'sometimes very tiring and stressful' to play under Guardiola, but also that it's made their team one of the best of all-time. (Agencies)

for a big club like Man City and a club that fights for all the titles, you're going to have this. It's not just Man City – I believe that in Liverpool, Chelsea, Real Madrid, Barcelona, Bayern Munich, Juventus, you're going to have this competitiveness around the dressing room because the squad is great and you know if you don't give your best, you have a guy next to you who is just as good as you and is going to take your place.

ESPN: There have been some significant changes to the squad this summer, especially with the arrival of Erling Haaland. Does it feel like there's a fresh energy at the club?

When you have new signings, you never know what's coming. From the weeks we've had with the new players, they are really nice guys, and it looks like they have a hard-working mindset. But it's new. The team is different and they're going to have to adapt, and things are going to be different for all of us. Hopefully better, but we'll see. We'll try to do our best to maintain the level.

ESPN: Are you expecting another battle with Liverpool this season?

It's unpredictable, honestly. Of course, looking at what has happened over the past four or five seasons, you always look at City and Liverpool and you think that they're going to be the two favourites, but look at the team Chelsea is building.

Tottenham is getting much better, Arsenal is getting better, Man United have got a new manager and some new signings – I think personally, they are going to be better as well. It's getting more and more competitive every year.

Of course, City and Liverpool have been on top for the last few years so you're going to expect a bit more from them but

you never know in the Premier League. There are six teams that can fight for everything.

ESPN: Is the Premier League the toughest league you've ever experienced?

It's not a new thing for any one of us that the Premier League is so competitive. In the past 20 years, six different teams have won the league. That shows the level you need to be at in this country and you know that if you have a few weeks off, you're not going to win the league. We know that and we know that teams are investing a lot of money as well and they'll only get better, so we need to keep our standards very high.

ESPN: This season also gives Man City another chance to finally win the Champions League. How is the club approaching that challenge?

The levels of disappointment in that competition over the past few years have been quite high. It's a big goal for the club, for the players, because all of us, we have never won that competition, but we've won everything else. We're going to try again knowing that it's a special competition, a tough one, and you need to be always on high alert because if you drop your concentration levels for a few minutes, you're gone.

That's what happened against Tottenham a few years ago and that's what happened last season against Madrid away. We have to improve on that.

ESPN: You mentioned the disappointment against Real Madrid last season, when City conceded three late goals to be eliminated in the semifinal. Have you been able to put that behind you now?

You're never completely over it. I re-

tle were gone, but in five minutes we turned it around and won the Premier League.

These are the moments you want to live in football, the high emotions. Sometimes you're up here and sometimes you're down there. These are the memories you will remember.

ESPN: What was that Aston Villa game like, when you came back from 2-0 down to win 3-2 and win the Premier League title on the last day of the season?

It was crazy. Honestly, it was completely crazy. When we conceded the second goal, the disappointment on the bench and on the pitch... we could feel it in the stands as well, it was huge. But from the moment we scored the first goal, the amount of energy and belief that the fans put into us, it just felt like we were going to turn it around and luckily, we did it.

Like I said, sometimes in football we have these crazy moments where you're controlling the game and you're out of the Champions League against Madrid and then a game that we were playing really bad and probably we didn't deserve to win, in 10 minutes we turn it around and win the Premier League. Football is like this.

ESPN: At the trophy parade you joked that one of the keys to turning around against Villa was keeping Jack Grealish on the bench...

Jack is a nice guy; he's a good friend of mine and we joke around a lot. We had a few drinks that day because we were celebrating, well deserved drinks, and we were just having fun.

ESPN: It seems like you've built up a friendship with Jack during his time at City?

He's a good guy. The dressing room is really good here at Man City. I've had some bad dressing rooms in the past and this feels good, to work with nice guys, to work with people who are nice to each other and who try to push their teammates to do as well as possible. It's always easy to go to work when you have nice people around.

ESPN: You're 27 now. Do you feel like one of the leaders in the dressing room?

I'm getting older and I know all the guys, they're big friends of mine. Of course, being there for five years changes the amount of impact you have on the dressing room than if you've been at the club for six months. Definitely being there for a long time, I know everyone at the club, all the staff, and it feels really good.

ESPN: Lots of foreign players have said how tough they found it being in England during the coronavirus pandemic. Do you feel happier in Manchester now that restrictions have been lifted?

I'm much better. Much better, honestly. It was tough because for us foreign players because when we had a day off, I used to go to Portugal or to travel to visit friends and family but for one-and-a-half years, nearly two years, we couldn't do that. It was tough for me and for my girlfriend, Ines, but now it's back to normal and it's much better.

ESPN: There has been a lot of speculation about you, this summer and last summer, how do you view your future?

I've always said that I'm happy here, but I have no idea what's going to happen. We'll see, honestly. My relationship with the club is very honest. I've been open with them and they know what I want. If I stay, I'm very happy, and I will always respect this club and give all my best. If not, it's football and

we'll just see what happens.

ESPN: Raheem Sterling and Gabriel Jesus were both granted moves this summer, to Chelsea and Arsenal respectively. Would you expect the same response from the club if and when you decide it's time to leave?

It's a big club, and they don't want players who are not happy at the club. They always say to all of us that if you're not happy, you can go. Of course, they are in business and they want the right amount of money for letting us go, but personally it's a relationship with the club that is very respectful. They have always been honest with me and I have always been honest with them.

As I said, I will always respect my relationship with Man City, with the fans, with the staff, with my teammates, so whatever happens happens and for sure, it will happen in a very respectful way.

ESPN: Do you feel you're finally getting credit for your performances over the past few seasons?

From Man City fans, definitely, I feel a lot of support, and they show a lot of appreciation for what I do. From outside, it's difficult. I'm not complaining here, but I feel like other clubs get a lot more credit than Man City for doing less.

For example, when I was at Benfica – a huge club in Portugal with more fans, more everything -- you do something nice, and they make it look like it's great. Here at Man City, you do something great and they make it look like it's just good.

Again, I'm not complaining, but playing in the Premier League and winning four titles in five years and checking the Premier League team of the year every year and knowing that we're never the team that has the most players. We don't have the best manager, we don't have the best players, but we still win four Premier Leagues in five years? It just doesn't make sense. It probably shows that Man City players don't get as much credit as they should.

For me, it doesn't matter honestly. I'm happy with the titles that we have and with the memories that in the last five years, we won four times. Of course, we don't get the credit that we deserve.

ESPN: What are you expecting this season, particularly with a break in the middle for the World Cup in Qatar?

It's going to be a tough season and very different from all the others because we have the World Cup in the middle. It's kind of weird. It looks like we're going to have two Premier Leagues: one before and one after. We're not going to win anything in these months [before the World Cup], but we can lose it all so our job now is to make sure we don't lose it and are able to fight for all of it in the last six months of the season.

ESPN: Portugal have got a great squad. Can you win the World Cup?

We are going to try it. We know it's very, very tough because you have Germany, Argentina, Brazil, France, Spain, Holland, England. We are going to be up there, and we know we have great players, but we're one of like 10 favourites. It's not like the Premier League where you have two or three teams, maybe four or five, competing; in the World Cup, it's more unpredictable. Out of 10 teams, you cannot know who is going to do better.

Gwiji by David Chikoko



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Why is Barcelona still spending, signing players and selling off parts of itself?

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Mchengerwa counsels BASATA

By Correspondent Nassir Nchimbi

MINISTER for Culture, Arts, and Sports Mohamed Mchengerwa has instructed the National Arts Council (BASATA) to review its regulations by involving all arts stakeholders in Tanzania so that the council can define a good working system that involves artists, and arts federations.

Mchengerwa stated so at the Julius Nyerere International Conference Center in Dar es Salaam last weekend after receiving official information on the best way to manage copyright and royalties for artists in the country from the committee he appointed to oversee the assignment last month.

"This system will help to identify all artists in the country and serve them easily because the current system gives every artist the chance to find a livelihood, something that makes many artists lack unity and produce conflicts that are not productive," Mchengerwa stated.

The minister moreover asked BASATA to review and mediate in artists' disputes, including setting up a legal advisory desk on contracts and art issues.

Mchengerwa added that issues related to copyright management are cross-cutting and involve many government institutions and sometimes with conflicting interests.

The minister stated the recommendations made by the committee to have a better system for the operation of the copyright institute will be considered by the government to modify the entire chain of arts in the country and thus lead to creating a stronger arts sector in Africa and the world.

He added that the ministry has an empowerment strategy targeting building platforms to develop the works of artists, and investing in digital platforms so that artists have a platform to sell and promote their products.

The minister pointed out it moreover coordinates and sets specific rules with the aim of continuing to increase the value of all works of art.

The occasion saw Mchengerwa present a bonus of 30,000,000/- to all athletes and coaches that represented the country in the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham as well as presenting money to the three athletes who won medals in the global showpiece.

The runners are the Tanzania team's skipper, marathoner Alphonse Simbu that laid his hands on a silver medal in the men's marathon and grabbed 7500 US dollars (174m/-), and boxers Yusuf Chagalawe and Kassim Mbundwike who took bronze medals and received 5000 US dollars (11m/-) apiece.

To ensure that Tanzania teams continue to perform well in international competitions, Mchengerwa instructed the NSC to start immediate preparations for national teams for the 2023 All-Africa



I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC's batsman Vinu Kumar (R) is presented with the Man of the Match prize by a cricket official upon completion of the 2022 Petrofuel Dar es Salaam Cricket (DC) Caravans Cup showdown's clash pitting the batsman's club against Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani which took place last weekend. PHOTO: COURTESY OF CARAVANS CRICKET CLUB

I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC clobbers Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani in 2022 Petrofuel DC Caravans T20 Cup

By Guardian Reporter

I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC has continued its winning streak in the 2022 Petrofuel Dar es Salaam Cricket (DC) Caravans T20 Cup showpiece with a comfortable 99-run victory over Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani last weekend.

Having won the toss, the captain of I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC did not hesitate to opt to bat first in the Group A clash, as their batsmen are in great form.

However, their opener Vishal Patel was dismissed on a golden duck, getting out after being caught by Firoz Hatim off the bowling of Mufaddal Patel, when the team score was just 13 runs.

Vinu Kumar then joined the other opening batsman Abhik Patwa, one of the squad's key performers, and the duo started amassing runs between them.

They took the team's score beyond 100 runs in just 73 balls. Patwa was the next to go at the team's score of 102 runs, scoring 70 of just 46 balls which included eight hits to the fence and two sixes.

Kumar continued to score freely and in the company of the experienced teammate Riziki Kisetu, and youthful Harsheed Chouhan, took the team score to a mammoth 182 runs for the loss of four wickets in the allotted 20 overs.

Kisetu scored 16 runs in 13 balls and Chouhan scored 15 runs in just nine balls and was out off the last ball of their innings.

Kumar remained unbeaten on 70 runs in just 51 deliveries which included four boundaries and three huge hits over the boundary rope. Chouhan and Kumar shared a 53-run partnership in just 26 deliveries.

Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani's bowlers toiled hard and, though he was expensive, Mufaddal Patel was successful in grabbing two of the opponents' four wickets which fell.

Khuzeima Janoowala and Murtaza Shabbir shared the other two wickets.

Chasing a huge target of 183 runs in 120 balls, Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani managed to score just 83 runs for the loss of their six batsmen and conceded the loss.

Opener Abbas Adamji was caught by Dhruvit Mehta off the bowling of Chouhan in the third ball at a time Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani had not put any score on the board.

The bowlers of I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC were too hot for Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani's batsmen to handle.

Khuzeima Janoowala was Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani's only top scorer with 28 runs and only Quresh Karimjee, out of the other five batsmen, managed a double-digit score.

Despite having given a bonus of 17 extras, Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani were restricted to a paltry score of just 86 runs in their allotted 20 overs.

All of I&M Aurobindo Aga Khan SC bowlers were very economical and six of the seven bowlers used picked up one wicket each.

Chouhan, Kisetu, Vipin Abraham, Laksh Snehal, Dhruvit Mehta, Kumar, and Patwa bowled very tight and did not leave any room for Jiuzhou Annadil Burhani to score runs freely.

Kumar got the Colorflex Man of the Match award for scoring 70 runs and taking one wicket in his economic bowling (two overs, seven runs, one wicket).

The Petrofuel DC Caravans T20 Cup is an annual T20-formatted cricket competition hosted by Caravans Cricket Club.

Petrofuel Limited is the title sponsor of the tournament, while co-sponsors of the showdown include Alliance Insurance, Colourflex, and Pepsi.

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Yanga begins Premier League title defense with visit to Polisi Tanzania



Yanga's players warm up a few minutes before confronting Simba SC in the 2022/23 Premier League's curtain raiser, the Community Shield clash, which took place at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam last weekend. Yanga cruised to a 2-1 victory. PHOTO: COURTESY OF YANGA

By Correspondent Michael Mwebe

YOUNG Africans SC (Yanga) and Polisi Tanzania will open the curtain on game-week one of the 2022/23 NBC Premier League today afternoon when they take on each other at Sheikh Amri Abeid Stadium in Arusha.

Coach Nabi Nasreddine's machinery will travel to Arusha as enormous favourites, especially after a fantastic display in their 2-1 comeback victory over age-old rivals Simba SC in Saturday's Community Shield clash which took place at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in Dar es Salaam.

The confidence and desire seemed apparent in abundance ahead of the new campaign.

Coach Nabi will roll out much of that starting team given the performance exhibited especially in the second half of the Community Shield encounter.

The Premier League defending champion resisted the urge to make wholesale changes to their treble-

winning squad, making just a few shrewd reinforcements.

They brought in Burundi midfielder Gael Bigirimana, Congolese defender Joyce Lomalisa, Burkinabe midfielder Stephane Aziz Ki from ASEC Mimosas, Zambian striker Lazarous Kambole and Ghanaian winger Bernard Morrison.

Yanga's clear-out has included left back Yassin Mustapha, midfielder Deus Kasake, Congolese forward Chico Ushindi, Burkinabe attacking midfielder Yacouba Songne, defender Paul Godfrey and goalkeeper Ramadhan Kabwili.

The Green and Yellow outfit's fans will be hoping that their talisman Fiston Mayele can have another strong season and fire them into retaining their title.

Last season, he contributed 16 goals and five assists and a brace against Simba SC shows he is ready to continue where he left off.

On the other hand, Polisi Tanzania saw a substantial number of their star players poached by other clubs, with attacker Kassim Haruna making the move to Namungo FC, goalkeeper Metacha Mnata joining Singida Big Stars FC, and fullback Datus Peter

crossing over to Kagera Sugar.

The law enforcers have signed the likes of James Mwasote from Mbeya Kwanza FC, Ambrose Awio from Biashara United, Iddy Kipagwile from KMC FC, and Jamal Mtegeta from Dodoma Jiji FC in the current transfer window.

It will be interesting to see how these additions will help the club in its quest to fill the gaps left by those who formed the core of their first team.

Polisi Tanzania's head coach Joslin Sharif officially starts his tenure after replacing Malale Hamsini who guided the team in the last two campaigns.

The gulf in quality between these two outfits is huge as underlined by their head-to-head records.

Polisi Tanzania and Yanga have met in 10 league matches since the 2018/19 season. Yanga has claimed six wins while the other remaining games have ended in draws.

When the two teams met at Benjamin Mkapa Stadium in June, Yanga triumphed 2-0 thanks to goals netted by Chico Ushindi and an own goal by Polisi Tanzania's keeper.

Flexibles by David Chikoko



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