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PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA



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# Dear Reader,

I have the pleasure to present to you the November edition of our monthly e-magazine, The Presidency.

In each edition, we try to improve the content and its layout, building on the feedback that we have been receiving from the readers. The objective of the magazine remains to bring the office and residence of the President closer to Ugandans. The President and his Government derive their mandate from Ugandans. It is therefore, prudent that this information is shared as a form of accountability.

The primary role of the Government Citizen Interaction Centre (GCIC) is to facilitate interaction between the Government and the citizenry, using different electronic tools, including this monthly magazine. We have also introduced a quarterly newsletter that covers the performance of Government for every three months. The quarter one issue was released in October; <https://www.gcic.go.ug/gcic-quarterly-newsletter-fy2021-2021-quarter-1/>, and quarter two issue will be released in January, 2022.

In the month of November, the President travelled to Tanzania for a state visit. He was hosted to a state banquet by his host, Her Excellency Samia Suluhu Hassan, the President of the United Republic of Tanzania. The two Heads of State addressed a joint Tanzania-Uganda Business Forum. The President also visited Dar- es-Salaam Port and the Standard Gauge Railway. On the last day of his visit, the President paid his respects to late President John Pombe Magufuli and launched Museveni Pre and Primary School in Chato, a school he built in honour of Tanzania's contribution towards the end of Idi Amin's dictatorial regime in Uganda in 1979.

Lastly, in this edition, we are publishing the President's address to the nation on crime, vaccination and terrorism, delivered on 20th November, 2021, at State House, Nakasero.

I now have the pleasure to present to you the sixth edition of The Presidency.



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# Quote of the Month

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*You are lucky because you are entering a very important organ of the State, the Uganda Police Force. If you use this chance well, you will not regret. The future is bright, don't misuse this chance.”*

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President Museveni at the pass out of Police Constables,  
12th November, 2021



# 1st November, 2021

## President surprises his *Bazzukulu* friends with gift hampers

BWEBAJJA:

President Yoweri Museveni surprised his *Bazzukulu* at Bwebajja, along Entebbe Road by making a planned stop and gifting each with a hamper. The *Bazzukulu* have for some time occasionally waited at the roadside to wave and sing for him on his way to State House, Entebbe.

The President who was travelling to Entebbe, for his scheduled duties, stopped at Bwebajja and talked to the children aged between 2 and 10 years.

The President has a particular history with these children whom he continuously referred to as *Bazukuklu* and they in turn called him *Jajja*.

In the recent days the bond between the 2 parties has grown, with the *Bazzukulu* always singing songs for him as the convoy approaches Bwebajja trading centre.

On this specific occasion, President Museveni had a gift for his unsuspecting friends. As the convoy stopped to their chants, he disembarked and moved towards them and

beckoned them to move close to him.

He thanked them for being good children and revealed that he had something for them before giving each a gift hamper.

The excited children said in unison, “Thank you so much *Jajja*. May God bless you”.

*Jajja* Museveni later told them that he had brought them another friend, their grandmother, Maama Janet Museveni, the First Lady who is also the Minister of Education and Sports.

The First Lady was received with wild ululations from the children and the couple chatted with the children for a moment before returning to their car.



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*President Museveni and  
First Lady chat with  
Bazzukulu at Bwebajja*



# 3rd November, 2021

## President Museveni meets Serum Africa Medical Research Institute (SAMRI)

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### STATE LODGE, NAKASERO:

President Yoweri Museveni said that the government is committed to work towards the development of vaccines against various diseases including COVID-19.

“Everything is ready except the 18 reagents that are required in the manufacturing of the Corona vaccine. We haven't got some of the reagents. The suppliers have delayed us for three months,” President Museveni said.

The President was speaking during a meeting with a delegation from Serum Africa Medical Research Institute (SAMRI) Limited led by the Board Chairman, Prof. Francis Omaswa and the CEO Dr. Anand Iyer. The meeting was also attended by the Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Dr. Monica Musenero.

During the meeting, government signed an MOU in vaccine research and development with SAMRI. The Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Dr. Monica Musenero, signed on behalf of the Uganda government while Prof. Francis Omaswa signed for SAMRI.

SAMRI is committed to ensuring the best and globally accepted standards of all their products and to work with credible partner in the process. They say their products are researched & tested to ensure the highest quality.

The Minister of Science and Technology, Dr. Monica Musenero, thanked the President for sending the SAMRI group to her office. She was optimistic that they would deliver on their commitment.

Prof. Francis Omaswa said that they were fully committed to see that they fulfill the promise that the President made to *wananchi* in the fight against pandemics through vaccine development.

“We aim at manufacturing life-saving immunobiologicals, which are in short supply in Uganda and currently imported at high prices. We will produce, several life-saving biologicals at prices affordable to the common man and in sufficient quantities so that the country is self-sufficient for Tetanus Anti-toxin and anti-snake venom serum, followed by DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis) group of Vaccines and then later on MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) group of vaccines. We will increase availability, affordability and reachability of the needed vaccines to everyone everywhere in our society.” he said.



Dr. Anand Iyer revealed that they have got the capacity to produce malaria and veterinary vaccines in addition to those against COVID-19. He said that they would establish a cold chain storage facility to ensure that the drugs are in good condition, and added that the facility would serve a wide range of medical needs.



*President Museveni poses for a photo with a delegation from Serum Africa Medical Research Institute (SAMRI)*

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**Prof. Francis Omaswa**

# 5th November, 2021

## President Commissions Ultra-modern Children Surgical Hospital

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**President Museveni .**

NAKIWOGO, ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni paid glowing tribute to Dr. Gino Strada, an Italian war surgeon, human rights and peace activist and founder of EMERGENCY, a recognised international non-governmental organisation, for the ultra-modern children surgical hospital in Entebbe, saying he has left a special gift for humanity right at the heart of the equator.

Dr. Strada died in August this year before the official commissioning of the hospital that he was looking forward to.

“Jesus died 2000 years ago but is remembered today because of his good deeds. Although Dr. Gino died, he has left behind a testimony of his character and contribution to humanity. The Italians have done something special for humanity right at the centre of the equator,” the President said.

The President was commissioning an ultra-modern EMERGENCY Children’s Hospital for children 0-18 years at Nakiwogo in Entebbe Municipality. The facility designed by world renowned architect, Renzo Piano, on a pro-bono basis is earth friendly, constructed using innovative solutions to minimise energy consumption, combining architectural excellence with state-of-the-art medical

care. It provides the best environment for patients’ treatment and recovery.

President Museveni said the hospital, built on 30 acres of land donated by the UPDF (Special Forces Command) has got a number of interesting aspects; including the founder being a wonderful Christian with the concept of “caring about your neighbour as you love yourself”, the core of Christianity; the architect as much as possible using nature and being environmentally friendly; and the donor Ms. Paola Coin, a rich, smart, small lady from the Italian city of Venus known for its story of Shylock, being a great philanthropist who donated US\$8million towards construction of the hospital.

“This land was for SFC cattle farm. When I heard of the hospital, I said this was a more lifesaving effort than the cows. We gave them 30 acres. I am happy that there is another idea of adding a nurses training centre which can be part of this facility. We must see how to take advantage of the dedication by our partners from Italy.

If we can have a nursing training school where they can impart both the skills and the passion,” he said.

The President later presented the 50th Uganda independence golden

medal to the founder Dr. Gino Strada (posthumously), the donor Ms. Paola Coin, the architect Mr. Renzo Piano, Rossella Miccio, President of EMERGENCY and Pietro Parrino, Director of EMERGENCY Field Operations Department. The 50th Independence Golden medal is given to individuals by the President in recognition of their outstanding service and loyalty to the country.

The Entebbe hospital will become a referral point for surgery from patients across the continent. It is the second facility in EMERGENCY's African Network of Medical Excellence (ANME), after EMERGENCY's Salam Centre for Cardiac Surgery, built in Khartoum, Sudan, in 2007, which has treated patients from over 30 countries.

Situated on the banks of Lake Victoria, EMERGENCY's Children's Surgical Hospital opened its doors on Monday 19 April, but due to COVID-19 restrictions, the opening ceremony took place after six months of activities.

The facility has admitted 345 patients since opening, whilst 1,185 patients have been treated as outpatients. 355 surgical operations have taken place and the average patient age is five years old.

Ms. Rossella Miccio, President of EMERGENCY said the hospital is rapidly becoming a referral point for paediatric elective surgery, in Uganda and beyond, as we are receiving patients from around the country and will soon open the doors to provide free of charge surgical care to children from neighbouring countries.

"These first six months of activity clearly confirmed that there is a strong need of paediatric elective surgery in the region. A real partnership between international organisations and Ugandan institutions and professionals can pave the way to strengthen local capacity and to provide continuous secondary and tertiary quality care," she said.

At full capacity, the hospital will employ 385 local people, including 179 medical workers. The facility will be dedicated to training local staff that will play an integral role improving paediatric surgery and medical care in the country.

The Minister of Health Dr. Ruth Acheng said the facility cost Shs 117 billion and Uganda Government has facilitated it with a 20% contribution and will continue paying 20% of the running costs for 8 years until it is handed over to the Ugandan government.

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*President Museveni  
tours the ultra-modern  
children surgical hospital  
in Entebbe during  
commissioning*





# 8th November, 2021

## President Museveni meets Energy Year's Government Relations Director

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### STATE HOUSE ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni said Uganda's oil and gas sector will help government to create jobs and related infrastructure like pipelines, refinery and other downstream developments that will add on the economy.

“Oil is an infinite resource. We shall use the oil money on durable capacity including modernising our railway and other infrastructure to improve transportation,” he said.

The President was meeting the Energy Year's Government Relations Director, Ms. Brindusa Negrea, who presented to him the first edition of a magazine, “**The Energy Year Uganda 2021.**”

It is a special edition exploring the unlocking of Uganda's energy industry potential and was produced in partnership with State House and the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development.

Ms. Negrea said that the publication highlights the opportunities that Uganda has to offer in the energy sector. She added that the magazine analyses the latest developments and future prospects of the country's up-and-coming oil and gas industry, as well as its linkages with the power sector and wider economy. The book also portrays the projects championed by the key players of the Ugandan energy value chain.

The Energy Year Uganda 2021 also features maps showing Uganda's oil and gas licenses and their status and featuring the ground-breaking East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP) infrastructure.



*President Museveni greets Ms. Brindusa Negrea at State House, Entebbe*



# 9th November, 2021

## President Museveni meets CEO of Buffet Foundation

“*The work that you see in Uganda is due to a correct ideology. We are patriotic because we believe in interests rather than identity. The problem in Somalia for example is both tribal and clan based while the leadership in D.R. Congo has had an ideological vacuum,*” **President Museveni**

### STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni said that Uganda can work with the Democratic Republic of Congo to defeat the ADF terrorists wrecking havoc in the neighbouring country.

The President was meeting a USA delegation led by Howard G. Buffet, the CEO of Buffet Foundation, a philanthropist and conservationist who is also the son of United States billionaire investor, Warren Buffett, and Shannon Sedgewick Davis the CEO of Bridgeway Foundation, a Philanthropic organisation dedicated to ending and preventing mass atrocities around the world at State House, Entebbe.

While briefing his guests about the security situation in the region, President Yoweri Museveni said that the peace and security witnessed in Uganda was due to good ideology.

The Bridgeway Foundation and the Buffet Foundation are involved in peace and security in the Great Lakes Region. Their current focus is the restoration of security in the D.R. Congo.

The CEO of Howard G. Buffet Foundation, Mr. Buffet a close friend of President Museveni, was pleased to note that President Museveni was showing good leadership in the region.

Howard Buffet who said he was here to pay a courtesy call on President Museveni said the President's Ankole cattle caused “chaos” in Texas!

“People in Texas brag about cattle, they were in awe when they saw your cows,” Buffet who visited President Museveni's Kisozi ranch in 2019 said.

The CEO of Bridgeway Foundation Ms. Shannon said that they are very grateful for Uganda's efforts in maintaining peace and security in the region.



*President Museveni with Howard G Buffet and his delegation at State House, Entebbe*

# 10th November, 2021

## President Museveni celebrates World Science Week

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**KOLOLO INDEPENDENCE GROUNDS:** President Yoweri Museveni said that the NRM Government has been working to promote the policy of science-led industrial development for faster transformation.

“Science-led industrial development has been our goal in government. With effect from June 2021, I put the Ministry of Science and Technology under the Office of the President so that it can be effectively managed and financed,” he said adding that one of the ventures that he has supported is the financing of Joint Clinical Research Centre (JCRC) in developing a diagnostic test for COVID-19 that produces results within 30 minutes.

“This is far better than the imported technology that is used for the same tests, he said.”

The President was speaking at Kololo Independence Grounds where he was the Guest of Honour during celebrations to mark the World Science Week for Peace and Development.

The celebrations were held under the theme, *“The future of science technology and innovation in Uganda: Breaking the silos & leveraging synergies for a skilled and sustainable workforce for national economic transformation”*.

The President revealed that the 1980 Lagos plan of action was initiated by UNESCO and required each country in Africa to establish a centre with the aim of eradicating foreign dependency on research. He said that such centres were expected to coordinate all national research ventures.

He said that Uganda established its facility in 1970 adding that progress was hampered by the political instability at the time.

The President pointed out that the NRM Government established and emphasized the study of science at Mbarara University and emphasized that government would not change its position of increasing salaries for scientists in service.

He commended Professor David Kaahwa for developing the anti-tick vaccine and disclosed State House has made a lot of progress in developing the leather industry in Kawumu that was supervised by the former Comptroller, Lucy Nakyobe.

President Museveni reiterated that science must be used for import

substitution and observed that processed coffee fetches 15 times the value of coffee when it is sold in its raw form.

He congratulated the scientists for using well the funds that government gave out and assured the nation that government would provide funds both directly and through UDB at low interest rates.

During the ceremony, the overall winner of the Uganda science award who was recognised by the President is a nine year old Ann Tramy Mpagi, a pupil of MST Junior School of P4 along the Kampala –Entebbe road. She innovated an e-learning app for the education sector.

Later, the President toured an exhibition showing a wide range of innovations including the electric vehicles, efforts to develop COVID-19 vaccines, anti- tick vaccines and silk textiles. It also showed

the ventures by Universities such as Makerere, IUIU, Kyambogo and Mbarara University of Science and Technology. He also launched 100 science text-books that were published by Ugandans.

The Minister of Science and Technology Dr. Monica Musenero revealed that the winners of the Uganda science winners award above 18 years of age are to receive Ush 30 million and those below 18 are to receive Ush 10 million.

The Executive Director of UNESCO in Uganda, Prof. Eriabu Lugujo, said that Africa cannot develop without science. He saluted the President for prioritising science teachers through improved remunerations.

The Principle of the College of Veterinary Medicine of Makerere University Prof. David Kabasa revealed that knowledge developed was being shared with communities.



*President Museveni tours an exhibition at Kololo during the World Science Week*



# 11th November, 2021

## President Museveni meets German delegation

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### STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni commended Germany for its donation of 5.5million doses of Johnson and Johnson one-dose COVID19 vaccines and called for support through sharing reagents to enable Uganda produce its own vaccines and avoid vaccine dependency in the future.

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The President was speaking during a meeting with a high-powered investors' delegation from Germany led by the German Ambassador to Uganda Matthias Schauer. The delegation included Prof. Christoph Lübbert of the University of Leipzig, Axel Kuppe managing partner of C. Woermann GmbH, Manfred Schmid of Frequentis, Hans Georg Hinterberger Managing

Director of Achelis Uganda, Karl-Heinz Knoop of RIELA, Karsten Sengewald of iproplan, Dr. Andre Gerth of BioPlanta GmbH, Dr. Stefan Hagemann of NanoInfra and Guiliana Stiegelmann of IKA GmbH/Bellazuri Ltd.

The President who is pushing for stronger partnerships with German investors in various sectors of Agriculture, Health and Pharmaceuticals, Energy and Infrastructure development singled out various sectors including pharmaceuticals using local plants.

“We know a lot of plants with the potential for healing. One of the reasons many people didn't die of COVID19 is because they were using herbs. Some plants have anti-viral and anti-biotic elements. We can have a factory to extract active ingredients. This is a very good area for cooperation,” he said.

The President also singled out post-harvest handling equipment and technology and solar power for micro-irrigation for food production.

“We lose a lot of food because of bad post-harvest handling. Equipment and technology to help us at sub-county



level is very welcome. We have 2,000 sub-county administrative units and we need that capacity at that level,” he said.

The President also said solar power especially for micro irrigation can boost agriculture and remove fluctuations caused by climate change.

He also singled out waste management which has become a health hazard and yet it is a resource that can be turned into fertiliser and bioenergy. He also welcomed the medical collaboration between the University of Leipzig and Kiruddu and Kawempe Hospitals.

The President also called for stronger partnerships in infrastructure development.

The Germany Ambassador to Uganda, H.E. Matthias Schauer, informed the President that the delegation has toured the Bukasa inland port near

Kampala and that the members of the delegation were keen to partner in developing the mining, infrastructure and agriculture sectors. Ambassador Schauer said that the delegation was interested in silos, fire-fighting equipment among others.

Dr. Amrei Von Braun of the University of Lapzig informed President Museveni that they have made progress towards overcoming bacteria that is resistant to some antibiotics. She revealed that they have done a lot of work with Kiruddu Hospital in overcoming the challenge.

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President Museveni poses for a photo with German delegation at State House, Entebbe

# 11th November, 2021

## President Museveni meets India's Minister of State for External Affairs & Parliamentary Affairs

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STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE: President Yoweri Museveni said Uganda and India have agreed to strengthen commercial diplomacy and boost trade between the two countries.

During a meeting with the Minister of State for External Affairs & Parliamentary Affairs Government of India, Hon. Shri Muraleedharan, President Museveni said he would work with the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, regarding India's offer of a concessional credit facility to promote rural power transmission and value addition in agriculture.

“Indians are one of our tribes. I am glad that we have that offer from India,” he said.

President Museveni also said he would work with India on the issue of training at the National Defence College in Jinja.

“We shall work with the Indian side on the National Defence College where they normally come to train,” he said.

On the issue of climate change, President Museveni was happy that India was willing to collaborate with Uganda to provide affordable solar power.

“Once we resolve the cost, solar power would be the answer. Africans were using sun and wind long time ago before these dead fuels. The problem came from out. The world is coming back to sun and wind,” he said.

The two leaders discussed various issues including reduction of taxes on Uganda's products including: milk, Cocoa and Coffee. They also discussed the construction of the Mahatma Gandhi Convention and Conference Centre in Entebbe where government has donated 15 acres of land for the project. The promise to allocate the land was made by government in 2018 during PM Narendra Modi's visit to Uganda. Government has also allocated land for the Gandhi Cultural Centre in Jinja. The two leaders also agreed to strengthen collaboration in Defense training at the National Defence College in Jinja.

Hon. Shri Muraleedharan who was on a three-day working visit to Uganda brought warm greetings from India's

President Ram Nath Kovind and PM Modi to President Museveni and the people of Uganda.

He thanked President Museveni for his support of the Indian Community in Uganda and for supporting India at the UN Security Council and assured President Museveni that his government will arrange for a subsidy in solar energy generation through the New Delhi-based International Solar Alliance.

The meeting was also attended by Mr. Puneet R. Kundal Joint Secretary (East & Southern Africa) Division Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India;

Mr. Chandru Appar Deputy Secretary (Minister's office) Ministry of External Affairs Government of India; Dr. Prakash Shelat Under Secretary (East & Southern Africa) Division Ministry of External Affairs Government of India; H.E. Ajay Kumar, High Commissioner of India to Uganda; Uganda's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hon. Okello Oryem and Uganda's High Commissioner to India Amb. Grace Akello among others.



*President Museveni gestures to the Indian delegation after a meeting at State House, Entebbe*



## ■ Feature Story

# Industrial Parks Leading the Export Drive in Uganda

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“Stop importing what you can make”, were the resounding words of President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, while launching East African Medical Vitals, Africa’s first surgical and medical gloves manufacturer, located in Uganda’s flagship industrial park, Namanve.

Much as it may come as a shock that there hasn’t been a single industry to manufacture surgical gloves in East and Central Africa, and other latex products, it isn’t too late to pick the slack and hit the ground running on this particular race.

Over the years, the Ugandan Government has taken significant steps on its journey to a stronger economic future through industrialization, by reinforcing the notion that Uganda should produce locally, rather than import from abroad. This has been backed by the president’s constant reminder especially through the COVID-19 pandemic that the crisis would help to build the manufacturing capacity, rather than “turning the Ugandan market into a dumping ground for foreign goods.”

When Uganda manufactures its products locally, not only does this reduce on the import bill but also helps domestic products to be exported all over the world which contributes to the

generation of the much needed foreign exchange.

This mixed strategy of import substitution and export promotion can clearly be demonstrated with the Kiira Motors plant currently being constructed in Jinja Industrial and Business Park by the Uganda People’s Defence Forces, through the National Enterprise Corporation. Upon completion, not only will this indigenous automobile plant reduce on the loss of over USD 450 million annually on used imported vehicles but will also tap into the annual 10 million vehicle market demand on the African continent by 2030.

Uganda is among a few African countries that have introduced Industrial Parks as major drivers of economic diversification and export-led industrialization. Uganda’s investment promotion agency, the Uganda Investment Authority, currently operates eight public industrial and business parks, namely Namanve, Bweyogerere, Luzira, Kasese, Mbarara, Jinja, Mbale, and Soroti. Collectively, 114 industries are already operational in these parks.

Plans are underway to operationalize 17 other industrial parks across the country in the medium

term, as a way of implementing President Yoweri Museveni’s directive to Uganda Investment Authority, to establish 25 industrial and business parks across the country in five years. The President has also directed that local governments provide free land for industrial parks development because the Central Government won’t be spending on land for setting up industrial parks.

This directive has seen the Minister of State for Investment and Privatization, Hon Evelyn Anite; UIA board Chairman, Morrison Rwakakamba; and Director General Robert Mukiza lead a team of political leaders and technocrats on a month long Investment Land Bank mobilization. As a result, 6 districts in northern Uganda offered a total of 3,880 acres of land freely to Uganda Investment Authority (UIA) and 1,270 acres were offered in Western Uganda for the establishment of industrial parks.

In addition to creating 4 million jobs annually, the establishment of 25 industrial parks regionally and equitably throughout the country, will help the economy become self-sufficient through industrialization and import substitution but will also have Ugandan products competing on the international markets.



# 12th November, 2021

## President Museveni passes out 5,200 PPCs

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### KABALYE, MASINDI DISTRICT:

President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni who is also the Commander in Chief of Uganda's Armed forces has passed out 5,200 Probationer Police Constables (PPCs) at Kabalye Police Training School in Masindi.

The pass-out ceremony took place at Kabalye Cell, Karujubu Division, Masindi Municipality, Masindi District in western Uganda.

On arrival at Kabalye Police Training School, President Museveni was received and briefed by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Hon. Maj. Gen Kahinda Otafiire, Inspector General of Police (IGP) Martins Okoth Ochola, Commandant PTS, ACP Ziwedde Abubakeer among other dignitaries.

The President was then taken to witness practical demonstrations by the trainees that they acquired during the 12 months training including practical module of public order management, skills at arm, dry drills, shooting long range of 100 metres, shooting under effort among others.

A total of 5,200 constables among whom 3,783 are male and 1,417 are female,

the largest number in the history of the school have been undergoing a Probationer Police Constables course for 12 months and is the 22nd intake of police.

President Museveni congratulated the officers and assured them that their future is bright if they act right.

“You are lucky because you are entering a very important organ of the State, the Uganda Police Force. If you use this chance well, you will not regret. The future is bright, don't misuse this chance,” he said.

The President counselled the young officers and urged them to avoid selfishness. “Some of us have been active in public affairs for a long time, about 50 years and have seen that when you are loyal to the people of Uganda and avoid selfishness, you will be rewarded,” he said.

The President warned the trainees against making shortcuts in life through corruption and disobedience and prophesied their failure if they took that route.

He emphasised the four sectors of wealth creation and creators that they must protect as commercial farmers, manufacturers, service providers and ICT.

“All these countries which have developed have been developed by people who have created wealth. Like countries in Europe, e.g. Britain etc., what made it powerful are scientists and wealth creators,” he said.

The President assured the officers that their main role is to protect and support the wealth creators according to the laws of Uganda.

“You as police men and women need to know that as people create wealth, they should do it legally and your job is to protect and support the wealth creators according to the law by providing to them security,” he said.

The President said that if they did their role right and well, the country will grow very fast and the more wealth created, the more money government gets to pay better emoluments to public servants.

“Uganda now has surplus of sugar, milk, maize, soap etc., because of the correct strategy of the NRM government which gave protection and freedom to the wealth creators. Your job is to protect peace and wealth creation, according to the law,” he said.

President Museveni revealed that Africa is not short of natural resources but is short of wealth creators.

“The police force must be ideologically clear because this is a historical mission for your country to move out of backwardness,” he said.

The Minister of Internal Affairs, Hon. Maj. Gen. Kahinda Otafiire advised the new officers to learn from their predecessors who have done well and shun any bad behaviour.

“I would like to welcome the graduands into Uganda Police Force. I want to besiege you to learn from your predecessors. Learn from their excellent conduct and disregard their shortcomings. You have married the Police Force for better, for worse, but you must always be for good,” he said.

The Inspector General of Police, Martins Okoth Ochola, said that this training should show the world how organised institutions can still carry on with their duties amidst a pandemic.



*President Museveni salutes after arriving at Police Training School, Kabalye*

# 16th November, 2021

## H.E. The President's Statement on Bomb Blasts

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*“We are working with the neighbours to deal with those operating from outside. They have exposed themselves when we are more ready for urban terrorism. They will perish. Rural terrorism was defeated in 2007 in the Semliki National Park”* **President Museveni**

To the Ugandans, especially the Bazzukulu,

Today at 10:00hours, some pigs (in reality manipulated and confused Bazzukulu), apparently, blew themselves up, one near the IGG office and the other near CPS. At about 10:30hours, the CMI/Police squads injured and captured the third terrorist in the area of Katooke, Bwaise with his bomb. He, later, died but gave us very good information before dying. His name is Musa Mudasiri.

The bomber of CPS was by the names of Mansoor Uthman and the one of the IGG office is by the names of Wanjusi Abdallah. All these are part of the ADF group that attacked Gen. Katumba in June.

As I told the country before, by attacking Gen. Katumba, these terrorists, exposed themselves at a time when our security (anti-crime) infrastructure has improved, compared to what it was in 2018 when I made the speech to Parliament.

Since the attack on Gen. Katumba, the following has been achieved:

- i. Seven (7) have been killed while resisting arrest;
- ii. Eighty one (81) have been arrested; and
- iii. 3 have been killed by the bombs they were carrying.

The two of today were, therefore, running away from being arrested. We have been hunting for them since the Katumba incident.

Those killed since the Katumba incident are:

1. Nsubuga Mohammed;
2. Manihaji;
3. Moses Mudasiri (the one of today);
4. Master Lubwama;
5. Juma Saidi;
6. Serwadda Juma; and
7. Amin Kawawa Mustapha.

The one who blew himself in the bus was Matovu Muzafari.

Unfortunately, 3 people died in today's incident apart from the 3 suicide bombers. The injured are 36.

Apart from hunting the terrorists, the country strategy of vigilance (alertness), is helping to minimise damage. The suicide bombers at both CPS and IGG office were forced to detonate their bombs at the checkpoint of Police outside and also outside of the IGG office.



Therefore, the public should maintain vigilance of checking people at entry points to bus parks, hotels, churches, mosques, markets, etc. The Police will issue guidelines regarding securing the checkpoints because the checkpoints are protecting the buildings and the occupants.

We are working with the neighbours to deal with those operating from outside. They have exposed themselves when we are more ready for urban terrorism. They will perish. Rural terrorism was defeated in 2007 in the Semliki National Park.

I am referring to the dead terrorists as manipulated victims of confusion. The real pigs are people like Nsubuga, the so-called Sheikh that confused young people at Lweza. If blowing oneself up will send one to *Jaanaa*, let him blow himself up as an example instead of manipulating young children.

Three (3) IED (Improvised Explosive Devices) have been recovered including the one of today. The terrorists invited us and we are coming for them.

**Ssabalwanyi**  
*16th November, 2021*



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# 16th November, 2021

## Government, workers reps agree on NSSF supervisory roles

STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE:

Government has agreed with the workers representatives that while the Ministry of Finance appoints and supervises the regulatory body of the NSSF, the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social development will appoint the board that will constitute workers, employers and government representatives.

During a meeting with the Parliamentary committee on Gender, Labour and Social Development, Workers Representatives, NSSF representatives and officials from the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development led by the Minister Matia Kasaija, and the Prime Minister Robinah Nabanjja, President Museveni directed that the contentious Uganda Retirement Benefits Regulatory Authority (URBRA) immediately stops taking money from the NSSF and instead be restructured and paid by government which created it.

“This is not a negotiation issue; it is about what can safe guard this money. URBRA should be paid by government, not by workers money. URBRA is adding costs to workers. If you create an agency, pay it. They should not take any other money from NSSF. They should remove all these people from workers money,” he said.

This after the workers representatives protested the annual payment of Shs 7bn from NSSF to URBRA for supervision of NSSF and yet the Ministry of Finance supervises URBRA.

This was the final contentious issue between the workers representatives, the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development and the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development that had delayed the passing of the NSSF bill.

The Bill will see contributors aged 45 and above have 20% mid-term access to their savings while the people living with disabilities will also access up to 50% of their savings if they are 40 years and above, have saved for ten years and are out of a job or are unemployable.

Mid-term access provides for additional benefits and relief to members of the Fund before they reach the age prescribed by the law. Section 12 of the NSSF Act was amended to provide for dual supervision of the Fund. Ministry of Gender will be in charge of the social security arm of the Fund, which deals with the welfare of workers and their savings while Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development will supervise the investment arm of the Fund, which deals with the business component where savings are invested in assets to generate income.

President had initially suggested supervision by the Bank of Uganda and the Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development since they specialise in dealing with finances but BOU was ruled out technically.

On the issue of whether or not the Managing Director of NSSF who is an Ex-official has a right to vote, the President agreed that the Managing Director can be a member but with no vote.

“The character can just sit there and talk. He can be a member but doesn’t vote. There are things which are dangerous which can either fail or kill the institution,” he said.

On the issue of mid-term access of 50% for persons with disabilities, the President agreed with the proposal of people with disabilities of 40 years and

above who have saved for ten years can access 50% of their saving mid-term but added that the law must be very clear on who is disabled.

The NSSF MD Richard Byarugaba said while they have no data on people with disabilities so as not to discriminate, the numbers are not significant and members can be paid.

According to the workers records, there are 2,000,000 people saving with NSSF and less than 0.1%, about 20,000 people are living with disabilities.

The NSSF fund has grown from a paltry Shs 800bn with less than 500,000 savers when the NRM government came into power in 1986 to a Shs 17trillion fund and over two million savers and growing making it one of the best on the continent.



*President Museveni with Government officials after a meeting to discuss NSSF bill at State House, Entebbe*



# 18th November, 2021

## President Museveni meets UK trade envoy

“We want Uganda Airlines to ferry at least 10 tons of goods on every trip it makes to London. We want to use U.K. finances to build silos for the agro-Products. We have financed the Industrial Park in Namanve and we are interested in financing Kiira Motors in its vehicle project” **Lord Dollar Popat**

### STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni said that Uganda can produce anything as long as the people are well-organised and guided.

“We can produce any agro-product as long as the people are mobilized. Our people have the capacity to produce a lot of coffee and fruits on small pieces of land. We have sensitised them in the production of various high value products on small acreages. A small-scale farmer can generate up to Ush 18 million (US \$ 5,000) per acre of coffee per year,” he said.

The President was speaking during a meeting with the visiting British Prime Minister’s Trade Envoy to Uganda, Rwanda and Democratic Republic of Congo, Lord Dolar Popat at State House, Entebbe.

The President and his guests discussed a wide range of issues with the main focus on developing the export of agro-products to Britain.

He assured them that the Uganda Government was fully committed towards ensuring high quality agro-products for export.

He was pleased to learn that one of the investors was interested in establishing a modern hospital in Hoima District in western Uganda. He noted that such a facility would save Ugandans from the burden of travelling abroad for medical tourism. He said that the medical facility would attract many people from Uganda, the region and Africa at large since the service was essential.

The President and his guests also discussed matters pertaining to increased electricity generation and transmission.

The British Prime Minister’s Trade envoy to Uganda, Lord Dolar Popat expressed his sympathy to President Museveni and the people of Uganda over the recent bomb explosions in Uganda.

He said his government is interested in the purchase of various products from Uganda, including coffee, maize, sugar, wheat and barley. He revealed that his team would connect Ugandans to the buyers in the United Kingdom.

“We want Uganda Airlines to ferry at least 10 tons of goods on every trip it makes to London. We want to use U.K. finances to build silos for the agro-products.

We have financed the Industrial Park in Namanve and we are interested in financing Kiira Motors in its vehicle project.” he said.

He assured the President that his government was keen in supporting Uganda in the industrialisation process.

The British High Commissioner to Uganda, H.E. Kate Airey briefed President Museveni on the progress of the proposed expansion of electricity generation and transmission.

One of the investors, Lord Benjamin Mancroft briefed President Museveni on the 300 beds hospital that he plans to build in Hoima. He said that the project would cost US \$ 150 million and that the construction would commence in January 2022.



*President Museveni poses for a photo with the UK delegation after a meeting at State House, Entebbe*

# 19th November, 2021

## President Museveni passes-out 443 tank crew granduands

“*Nobody will disturb the peace of Uganda. Anybody who tries will perish because the army is strong*” **President Museveni**

KABAMBA, MUBENDE:

President Yoweri Museveni has vowed that nobody will disturb peace of Uganda and anybody who tries will perish.

“Nobody will disturb the peace of Uganda. Anybody who tries will perish because the army is strong,” the President said referring to the recent twin bombings in Kampala that left six people dead including the 3 terrorists who blew themselves up.

The President said the problem is some confused youth who have been radicalised and some neighbouring countries who can't control their affairs. He also cited the poor internal intelligence sector in towns, which has lagged behind.

“Internally, we have lagged behind about intelligence in towns to discover who is planning and where it is happening.

The terror has shifted from the rural areas to towns where there are bigger populations and many buildings. Security in town is intelligence-based. We have moved very well so far.

We have got videos of those who had the bombs because of the cameras. Now we need to do more.

Cameras are eyes, I have heard that you can also put noses in the cameras (install sensors) which can smell the bombs and send an alert. The idea that they can be on the street is a good one. These terrorists, we shall finish them. They are wasting their time, they will be defeated,” he said.

The President was presiding over the pass-out ceremony of 443 tank crew granduands who had been undergoing a one year training course at the Karama Armoured Warfare Training School in Kabamba, Mudende district.

The ceremony was attended by Lt Gen. Proscovia Nalweyiso the Senior Presidential Advisor on Special Duties, Lt Gen. Wilson Mbadi; Chief of Defence Forces, Maj. Gen. Leopold Kyanda; Chief of Staff Land Forces, religious leaders among others.

“You have shown that you can train other Africans in armour. I congratulate you for discovering your real potential and for embracing the economics. There is a lot of wastage in training using live ammunition. It is costly and wears out armour. But now you are enlightened and used simulators and special ammunition. You have made professional training affordable,” the President said.

He commended the trainers for introducing to the trainees the concept of combined arms during an operation such as ; air force, Field Engineering, Motorised Infantry fighting vehicles, Intelligence name them (coordinating during an operation) to avoid exposing them to the dangers of “food without sauce”.



The President commended warfare school for following his instructions on infrastructure development at the school by building dormitories, classrooms and a pavilion for them to congregate and said they will consider building the electronic range ground.

He commended the Karama Armoured Warfare Training School and the Kabamba Military Academy for preserving the environment and directed the institutions to put down as a General's order that trees thereon be preserved.

"I want to thank you for preserving the environment. That word *Karama* means a place of Mirama, small strong trees with deep roots adapted to save the environment," he said.

The President said since 1979 the grounds have had *emigavu* or *emiisa*, and now have pine etc which are very good nitrogen fixing trees with hardwood and must be preserved.

"Give it as my order that nobody should cut those trees because they are indigenous," he said.

President Museveni congratulated the graduands upon completing their course and urged them to look after their health to avoid getting HIV/Aids, COVID-19, sexually transmitted diseases, being disciplined, and being patriotic and the rest will follow.

Lt Gen. Wilson Mbadi, the Chief of Defence Forces applauded President Museveni for professionalising UPDF and urged him to continue with capacity building of the UPDF through training. He congratulated the graduands for completing the demanding course and advised them to use the attained skills at the ripe time.

*"I want to thank you for preserving the environment. That word Karama means a place of mirama, small strong trees with deep roots adapted to save the environment"* **President Museveni**



*President Museveni salutes on his arrival at Karama Armoured Warfare Training School*

# 20th November, 2021

## Address to the Nation by President Museveni on Crime, Vaccination and Terrorism

Countrymen and Countrywomen,

Greetings. Tonight, I have come here to talk to you about vaccination, crime and terrorism. All these are important to understand because they affect stability and wealth creation, hence, prosperity of our people.

In the past, I have talked to you about unity (anti-sectarianism), wealth creation in order to create prosperity and jobs-creation. Today, I will only talk about vaccination, crime prevention and counter-terrorism because they are now the immediate problems.

Vaccination will help us to protect ourselves against Corona and be able to open our economy in January, 2022.

Full Vaccination two dozes of many of the vaccines and one doze of Johnson and Johnson according to the scientists give protection of 66.3% They are, therefore, better than nothing. This is in spite of some information which shows that even the fully vaccinated may still contract the disease; however , those infections, they say, do not progress to severe disease or death.

Nevertheless, full vaccination has the following benefits:

- i. Those infected will not progress to severe disease;
- ii. Will not die unless they have other comorbidities;
- iii. Since many people will be vaccinated, the speed of the spread of the virus will be slowed down;
- iv. And the hospital space that has been tied down by the Corona patients, will be freed for other medical cases.

On account of that, the Government has been working very hard to get enough vaccines. As of today, we have received 15,541,890 doses of different vaccines. In addition, by the end of December, 2021, we shall have got the following additional vaccines:- AstraZeneca (1,257,700 doses), Sinopharm (1,713,600 doses), Sinovac (600,000 doses), Johnson and Johnson (9,950,400 doses), and Pfizer (2,919,150 doses), totaling to 31,982,740 doses.

These vaccines are enough to vaccinate fully all the 21 million Ugandans above the age of 18years. If there is need for a third booster doze, then it is also available.

The other day, I was talking to our good friends from United Arab Emirates - UAE.

They are ready to sell us 40 million doses. With booster doses, we would need only 21million. Meanwhile, our scientists are studying two questions.

Question number one is: “Is the booster dose necessary?”

The second question is: “Can we mix the vaccines? Would somebody that got the 2 doses of AstraZeneca, like myself, be helped by taking Sino-pharm as the booster dose?”. The vaccines are getting more available globally. Moreover, we are working hard on our own vaccine, which we shall call Nalubale Dawa (ND).

Apart from the vaccines, our scientists like Ogwang, Nambatya and others, have been working on anti-virals. The Nambatya Katenta Apuuli effort, is now at the stage of clinical trials; that of Ogwang, has compiled a list of 300 persons whom they affirm, were healed by COVIDex. The Nambatya group are now doing a hospital-based clinical trial, whose results shall be communicated to the public once it is completed.

In the meantime, on account of the stringent measures we took right from March, 18th, 2020, when the Corona-19 knocked on the door of Uganda, we have had only two waves-while other countries have had 3 and some are entering the fourth. The total number of Ugandans infected is 127,166, those that have recovered are 97,217 and those that have died are 3,247. We praise the Lord for these much smaller numbers compared to what happened in some of the other countries. The global number of the dead stands

today at 5,158,599 and that of the infected stands at 257,100,256. Today, the Corona situation in Uganda is as follows:

- i. Those in hospital are 140, occupying only 140beds, while the total bed capacity is 3793.
- ii. Those dying per day are 2, as compared to the ones that were dying in the past months per day who hit the figure of 54 on the 10th of June, 2021.
- iii. And when you test 100,000 people, only 10 are found positive with Corona, compared to 1,735 at the height of the second wave, on the 10th of June, 2021.

Therefore, Ugandans, our firm stand, has not been in vain. Remember, that the history of the NRM is the history of freedom-fighters who always speak the truth and deal with reality realistically. We never entertain cheap popularity - failing to tell the people the truth because you want to be popular with them, even when it will lead to their ruin. Fortunately and with God’s guidance and approbation, we always succeed and emerge from those difficult situations, triumphant.

Now that we have enough vaccines, therefore, the task is to make all adults, above the age of 18 years to come out and be vaccinated. In the past, because the vaccines were not enough, we were targeting vaccinating the 4.8 million.



These were the following:

- i. Those above the age of 50 years who are 3,348,500.
- ii. Those below 50 years but with the comorbidities of diabetes, etc., who are estimated to be- 500,000.
- iii. The teachers- 550,000.
- iv. The health workers – 150,000.
- v. And the security personnel – 250,000.

These would be the 4.8 million who were our first target. Recently, I advised the Ministry of Health, to add on the following:

- i. The bar and hotel workers;
- ii. The market workers;
- iii. The taxi and bus drivers and conductors; and
- iv. The boda boda operators.

All these efforts of prioritising categories to be vaccinated, were on account of not having enough vaccines.

Now that we have enough vaccines, the message is different. It is: all those above the age of 18 years, come forward and be vaccinated. All the Health Centre 3s, will be having the Vaccines. I command the RDCs and the District Medical Officers in each district, to use the rocal radios to guide the vaccination efforts in the respective catchment areas of each Health Centre III i.e in each sub-county.

The team of RDC and the District Medical Officer, is the one to guide on which dates the people of Semuto sub-county, for example, should go out to be vaccinated

because they are sure the vaccines will be there. They should be assisted by the CAOs and *Gombolola* chiefs to send out these messages by media and also by couriers on bicycles, Piki pikis etc., to the villages. It is not necessary for the vaccination teams to go to the villages because that increases the costs of the exercise. The teams should only go to the villages for the few very old people that cannot move at all, identified by LCIs. We need to save money because we may have to vaccinate the children also. Hence, such money should not be squandered on uncooperative people that do not bother to do the minimum that is necessary to save their lives and get the whole country out of trouble.

Therefore, now, I direct the RDCs, the District Medical Officers, the CAO and the *Gombolola* Chiefs, through the radios and couriers, to ensure that all people of 18 years and above, go to the Health Centre 3s and be vaccinated when the vaccines are available. The schools and the whole economy will be open in January, 2022, whether some people are vaccinated or not.

I would also like to use this occasion, to talk, again, to the Ugandans about the battle against crime and terrorism.

I had last talked about this on the 28th of October, 2021. This is 4weeks ago. Both crime and terrorism, are motivated by parasitism-people who want power and wealth without democracy or working with your own hands. Right from 1965, the precursors of the NRM, the student study groups, were, mainly, from the background of wealth creators- mainly crop producers and livestock-rearers.

Later on, we worked with fishermen and the artisans of Katwe. Although, at that time, we had not clearly refined our ideology and strategy, from the history examples of the European Countries such as France, which though united for a long time, had the weakness of having internal fiefdoms (Bretany, Burgundy etc.), that imposed inter-province taxes, thus undermining the free-flow of goods within France and also of peoples such as the Germans and the Italians who, although one people, were fragmented into small Kingdoms (Germans into 39 and Italy into 7), we came to know that fragmentation was weakness, while unity was strength. That is how countries like Spain, Portugal, England and Russia, had become more powerful than the German and the Italian peoples. We, therefore, started despising and even, effectively, walked out of the existing sectarian political parties of DP, UPC and KY. There was also the good example of the 13 American, former British colonies, that had, in 1776, united under George Washington to form the nucleus of the, by now, powerful United States. In those history studies, we noticed the role of the new social class in the Western countries (Europe and the USA), known as the Middle class or the bourgeoisie, who, unlike the feudalists, understood and valued the importance of integration (unity), because bigger markets were better for their growing businesses. This need for bigger markets by the respective business interests, played decisive roles in the French Revolution of 1789 (the bourgeoisies) and the unification of Germany in 1870-71 (the Prussian Junkers).

By the time of Idi Amin in 1971, our student movement had crystalized our four principles of: Patriotism, Pan-Africanism, Social-economic transformation and Democracy and had become ardent supporters of Mwalimu Nyerere because he was the principal champion of these principles. Why patriotism (no sectarianism), Pan-Africanism and Social-economic transformation? It is on account of the prosperity of the African Populations (Patriotism and Pan-Africanism), by uniting the markets for wealth creators, strategic security (East African Federation) by having stronger armies and handling security and sovereignty problems together (unlike now when ADF is using Eastern Congo with impunity) and achieving all this by taking advantage of the oneness of the African Peoples (the Bantu, the Cushitic, the Nilotic, the Afro-Asiatic etc.). We should create several powerful states (Indias or Chinas) in Africa to facilitate this attainment of that prosperity, strategic security and undugu (fraternity) of the African people. We should not build a Latin America in Africa (a Centre of weakness) but several "USAs" or "Chinas" or "Indias", in Africa. Why democracy? It is because the African people, should always freely decide their destiny.

On account of these beliefs, we were able to build a strong army, with the massive support of the masses, which enabled us to achieve victory in 1986 and, thereafter, to bring unity and peace in Uganda. That is how the economy has been able to recover and expand from US\$1.5bn to now US\$.41bn. The shortages of 1986, the

*magendo*, the *kibaanda*, the *kusamula*, etc., have been replaced with surpluses (*ekyengela-omweeru*), of everything sugar, bananas, maize, milk, industrial products etc. The country is connected by tarmac roads from corner to corner and electricity is about to reach all the sub-counties. We had 28,000 telephones in 1986; we now have 28 million (July 2021). While we only had 2.5million children in the school system, we now have 15million. The population of Uganda was only 14million in 1986. It is now 43 million.

Inspite of all these positive achievements, many of them apparent right from 1986 or even from the bush days (e.g discipline of the Army), some parasitic groups, feared this success. These successes, would render their groups irrelevant. Initially, they were working also with some foreigners.

Hence, they launched wars: Lakwena, Kony, ADF, UPA, FOBA, Itoongwa, Kirimuttu etc. Between 1986 and 2007, these groups organised rural insurgency which involved hiding in forests or mountains, ambushing roads, kidnapping people to be sex-slaves or fight for them, launching surprise attacks against the Army, planting land mines given to them by the Government of Sudan etc. By 2007, the army had developed a multi-dimensional capacity that could not permit such groups to operate anywhere in the rural areas of Uganda or even in the neighboring Countries, if the Governments of these Countries allow us to operate there (e.g., South Sudan, Galamba National Park in Congo etc.). This multi-dimensional capacity, included:

LDUs guarding villages against those that attack soft targets (*Wanainchi* etc.); zonal forces that always stay in an area (sub-county, county etc.) without ever leaving that area until the insurgency is defeated; mobile forces to hunt for the terrorists in the forests; Air forces; communication intelligence to know what the enemy is saying or doing and where he is located; and road protection against road mines.

The insurgents had and have no chance. Hence, peace in rural areas since 2007 in all parts of Uganda.

One of the groups, ADF, having been defeated in the rural areas (in the Rwenzori Mountains - very tough terrain), now resorted to urban terrorism. Between January and July 2001, the ADF exploded a total of 30 explosives, killing a total of 147 people.

Although we were not well-equipped in the towns, mainly using human intelligence, we defeated this urban terrorism campaign. There was some quiet. However, in 2012, the ADF started assassinating individuals. They assassinated 08 Sheiks by the names of:

1. Sheik Abdul Karim Ssentamu;
2. Sheik Abubakar Muhamad Kiweewa;
3. Sheik Ibrahim Kirya;
4. Sheik Mustafa Bahiga;
5. Sheik Abubakar Madangu Yunus;
6. Sheik Rashid Wafula;
7. Sheik Ductoor Muwaya; and
8. Abdul Ssentuga;

They also assassinated Joan Kagezi, Maj. Kiggundu and some other people, assassinated Kawesi, Kirumira, etc.



There were also other criminal acts like the killing of women in Entebbe, Zaana, Nansana and the killings by the Kiddawalime group in Nabissajjo. Using human intelligence, we arrested some and others – e.g. Kiddawalime – were killed. However, the investigations were inconclusive and slow.

That is when I made the speech in Parliament on the 18th of June 2018, where I outlined the 12 measures to be undertaken. Those measures, have been partially implemented. The ADF controllers being bankrupt, however, did not understand the importance of those measures nor did they evaluate the cause of their defeat in their rural insurgency in the Rwenzori Mountains. The UPDF that defeated them in 2007 is now much stronger, actually many times stronger, than it was. Their attempts to kill General Katumba on the 1st of June, 2021, landed them in the trap. We were able, using the modern technology, to identify some of them. Once you get some, it is a matter of time before you get all of them.

Since the Katumba attack, the following ADF operators have been killed:

1. Nsubuga Mohamad;
2. Moses Kalyowa Mohamed alias Mozey;
3. Matovu Adam alias Manihaj;
4. Lubwama Hussein alias Master;
5. Juma Said;
6. Amin Kawaawa Ramathan Mustafa;
7. Sserwadda Juma;
8. Muhamad Kirevu alias Abas Kirevu;
9. Atindya Yasin alias Ssenabulya Dan;
10. Byaruhanga Musa Bahemuka;
11. Turikimanya Joshua Mathias; and
12. Bagonza Joseph;

A total of 106, have been arrested. I have heard some arguments about Sheikh Kirevu Muhamad, how he was a nice person etc.!! I normally, monitor closely, these operations. There is no way, the security operatives would have known about Kirevu Muhamad if he was not connected with the Katumba group (trying to assassinate him), with the Pader group during the burial of Gen. Lokech, with the bombers of Komamboga, the bus and the 2 recent bombs. The bomb of CPS and that of IGG office were linked to the 3rd one that was supposed to be exploded by Mozzey Musa Mudassir Mugamba at Bwaise, on the same day. The bomber at CPS was Mansur and one of the IGG office was Wanjusi. Let the public be patient and wait for the Court. You will hear the truth. We now know a lot about these terrorists. Of course, some are not yet arrested such as Ubaida bin Bukenya, the Ngabi clan member, that has now become an Arab on account of his ideological sickness. How can Museveni of the Basiita clan become a Jew or an Anglo-Saxon, because he is a Christian? Sheer sickness!! My advice to all of them – these still hiding here, in Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique or in Congo and South Africa, to surrender and save themselves. Of course, they will be prosecuted but, if they do not come out, they will all die.

In the meantime, the public should be vigilant. Until all of them are arrested, they will continue to pose a short-term danger if we are not vigilant.

However, our infrastructure is already helping. You can now watch or see (pictures) how our infrastructure captured the bombers of Tuesday.

The investigators get a lot of information from that video. Those cameras can now see the wrong – doers. The scientists are telling me that we can add a capacity to those cameras that will enable them to smell anybody carrying explosives and make alarm so that we go for him!! You remember, that we are also going to digitally equip all vehicles and all *piki pikis* with a device, that somebody cannot remove, so that it will be able to tell us which vehicle was here or there. With the eyes, the nose and ears of the State, it will be impossible for the terrorists to operate in the towns of Uganda, just like they are now unable to operate in the rural areas of Uganda.

In the meantime, use what is on the ground to be more vigilant. Apart from the cameras of the country, the government establishments, should have their own in-house cameras to monitor suspicious movements around and act against them before doing damage. The Police is already guiding people on how to expose those criminals. The issue, however, is to use intelligence to uproot these elements out of our society and we now have the capacity to do so, both within the country and, with neighbours, also outside the country.

Coming to the issue of suicide bombers, it reminds me of the tribal chauvinism in Europe where the English used to talk of “Dutch courage” which meant artificial courage on account of alcohol.

The NRA-UPDF, has been fighting almost continuously for the last 50 years. We despise that type of courage inducement. We regard it as manipulation. We believe in and we use conscious courage, where we know the risks of fighting but accept them but also educate ourselves about the counter-measures against the risks. Those who use religion (going to *Jana*), alcohol, drugs (*marijuana*), witchcraft (Lakwena), are, essentially, cowards trying to create bravery artificially through manipulation. We have fought and defeated them in Somalia, Sudan etc. The Israeli army fought and defeated such groups in the Middle East. The American army and the Red army defeated the Japanese Kamikize (suicide aircraft pilots). It is cowardice, desperation and actually criminal. At the right time, we shall expose the criminality of the actors that send these children to die for no good purpose. Going to *Jana* is controlled by God. Does God admit wrong doers? How can killing innocent people, give you a ticket to heaven?

If suicide – bombing enables people going to heaven, why do the leaders of these groups the War- lords, not take the lead by example? They do not want to go to heaven?



From the video footage analyzed and the time stamp 10:06:00/C on the camera, the bomb blast was observed blowing off from the two motorcyclists ahead.



During the explosion.



After the Incident at Counter.



The ADF has exposed itself to us when we are reader. They are sure to be defeated. The explosives they are using are, partly improvised, such as the use of ammonium nitrate ( $\text{NH}_4\text{NO}_3$ ), calcium nitrate  $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ , etc., ordinary fertilizer.

However, there is what appears to be C-4 which can only come from Army stores and the detonators and the detonation cords which can only come from mining companies or from Governments. We shall investigate all this and go for the collaborators of ADF. Ugandans, concentrate on Wealth Creation. The ADF is properly in our gun-sights at a time we have built great capacity. The work will be done.

I thank all of you.

YOWERI K MUSEVENI  
P R E S I D E N T



## ■ Feature Story

# Only 43 months to Uganda's first oil drop

By Arthur Musinguzi

The development of the oil and gas resources of the Lake Albert region and the cross-border pipeline is ongoing at the USD 4.5 billion Tilenga Project.

As of today, 400 wells have been drilled in over 31 well pads across 6 fields; JobiRii, Ngiri, Gunya, Kigogole, Nsoga, Kasemene and Wahrindi.

An Industrial area which comprises of; the Central Processing Facility (CPF) operating 24 hours, operators camp, operations support base, a drilling base and drilling camp, cuttings re-injection facilities/liquid mud plant, lake water abstraction system, oil production/water injection and electrical network, Tangi operation support base, have been put in place in strong partnership between the Government of Uganda through UNOC and its development partners, Total Energies, CNOOC Uganda Limited with the Contractor MOTA-ENGIL.

While approaching the base for the Tilenga project, you can't help but notice the newly created road network in the formerly hard to reach area. The network involves opening new roads and up grading existing roads, which is an outstanding development.

The temporary project components include; construction camps and support bases on both banks of the Nile, quarries/

borrow pits including inside Murchison falls national park.

While briefing the journalists about the progress of the oil development in Uganda, Anita Kayongo, the Corporate Communications Manager for Total Energies revealed there are now only 43 months left to get Uganda's first oil drop.

On several occasions, President Yoweri Museveni has said Uganda's oil and resource gift will create significant Government revenue for economic growth, human development and employment. According to



Eng Charles Wawire, the project employs over 90% Ugandans in its ranks.



*Communications Officer at Government Citizen Interaction Centre (GCIC)*

Some of these are working at the as construction support, project road network engineers or constructors or at the Wanseko – Kirama piped water supply section among others, according to Gloria Sebikari, the Manager Corporate Affairs and Public Relations, Petroleum Authority of Uganda.

The development of the Tilenga oil project required land acquisition for the establishment of production facilities and support infrastructure like as roads, camps and pipelines resulting in the involuntary displacement of communities. Sebikari says the right procedures were taken and to avoid, mitigate adverse effects, compensate losses, and provide compensation to the Project Affected Persons.

Out of the 622 project affected persons under the RAP 1 (Central Processing Facility and associated infrastructure), 30 people opted for in-kind compensation. On the compensation for permanent residents, Project Affected Persons had the option to choose between cash or in-kind compensation (land for land/house for house).

The oil project is expected to have a spillover effect not just on Uganda but also the rest of East Africa to be at a different level of durable development, by the time the oil is finished.

# 23rd November, 2021

## Government committed to providing, protecting medical personnel

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**President Museveni**

STATE HOUSE, ENTEBBE:

President Yoweri Museveni has directed that all medical doctors should be employed as soon as they qualify and emphasised that government is fully committed to providing enhanced salaries not only to medical personnel but to all scientists.

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The President was meeting a delegation of Uganda Medical Association led by their President, Dr. Sam Oledo. The President and the medical association discussed a wide range of issues aimed at improving health services in Uganda.

Mr. Museveni reiterated that the newly qualified medical doctors were assured of a salary of Ush 5 million per month with effect from the 2022 -2023 financial year and said there is no need to create friction while following up the matter of an enhanced salary.

President Museveni informed the delegation that today Uganda was enjoying stability because they are working under the policy of prioritisation. He reminded them that there was need to create a minimum base for stability.

The President said that the NRM Government would work out a system where the enhanced salaries would not be compromised by an unfriendly income tax policy and that the income tax policy would be revised so that the salaried workers are not disadvantaged.

President Museveni said that he would push to continue with the medical students and scientists being given priority of 70% of the scholarships in public universities and pledged to provide a facility of tax-free vehicles to medical doctors starting from the next financial year.

The President urged the doctors to work and ensure that they achieve the goal of preventing diseases noting, that it was more effective and affordable to take disease preventive measures and avoid the practice of waiting to attend to patients. He said that the government would work with the army to build institutional houses for the medical personnel.

The President of Uganda Medical Association, Dr. Sam Oledo thanked President Museveni for attending to their requests and for his outstanding role especially towards eliminating COVID-19 and terrorism. He thanked the President for establishing an effective ambulance service and observed that the President has scored big particularly in the elimination of malaria and the guinea worm.



*President Museveni poses for a photo with Uganda Medical Association after a meeting at State House, Entebbe*



The President commended warfare school for following his instructions on infrastructure development at the school by building dormitories, classrooms and a pavilion for them to congregate and said they will consider building the electronic range ground.

He commended the Karama Armoured Warfare Training School and the Kabamba Military Academy for preserving the environment and directed the institutions to put down as a General's order that trees thereon be preserved.

"I want to thank you for preserving the environment. That word Karama means a place of mirama, small strong trees with deep roots adapted to save the environment," he said.

The President said since 1979 the grounds have had emigavu or emiisa, and now have pine etc which are very good nitrogen fixing trees with hardwood and must be preserved.

"Give it as my order that nobody should cut those trees because they are indigenous," he said.

President Museveni congratulated the graduands upon completing their course and urged them to look after their health to avoid getting HIV/Aids, COVID-19, Sexually transmitted diseases, being disciplined, and being patriotic and the rest will follow.

Lt Gen Wilson Mbadi, the Chief of Defence Forces applauded President Museveni for professionalizing UPDF and urged him to continue with capacity building of the UPDF through training. He congratulated the graduands for completing the demanding course and advised them to use the attained skills at the ripe time.

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*President Museveni salutes on his arrival at Karama Armoured Warfare Training School*

# 28th November, 2021

## Uganda and Tanzania hold bilateral talks

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DAR-ES-SALAAM, TANZANIA:

President Yoweri Museveni and his host Tanzania President Samia Suluhu Hassan agreed on various key strategic projects that will deepen cooperation in trade and development, notable among which is the East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP) project that will not only see oil flow downstream from the Albertine region and in future from Kadam in Karamoja, DR. Congo and South Sudan but will also see gas flow from the coastal region in Tanzania upstream, to the continents inlands.

“I am happy to tell Tanzanians, Ugandans and the world that the activities on the pipeline are complete,” President Museveni who arrived following a much anticipated down pour, that cooled the hot Tanzania capital, said at a press conference at State House Dar-es-Salaam.

President Museveni said the proposal to have the pipes made here to benefit the people was abandoned following complaints that it would delay the project.

“We decided to leave that to companies to import pipes out of the continent. US\$ 130bn will be lost but the project will take off. For example US\$52million will be used on transport costs annually”,

he said.

On health matters, their Excellencies agreed to work closely on developing a vaccine as a measure to further combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus and other pandemic diseases.

President Museveni said he was happy that President Suluhu was willing to partner with Uganda to exploit the Pathogenic economy through joint production of pharmaceuticals.

“There are diseases but there is also money within these diseases. COVID-19 awakened us all. We must establish Pharmaceutical companies for vaccines and veterinary drugs. We should address the issues of viruses but also reagents to use for the vaccines. There is a huge business in the world of pathogenics but we must work on both the vaccines and reagents. When we had a breakthrough, I contacted Her Excellency and we agreed to cooperate. We started with the AIDS drugs, now we are saying, if we are sick, why not treat ourselves and get that money for our economies,” he said.

The President said the veterinary vaccines would help the communities of Byaramuro, Bukoba etc, who keep livestock and would boost milk production.

President Museveni who was later hosted to a State Banquet at State House, Dar-es-Salaam, emphasized the issue of markets to support business growth.

Market is a stimulus for business. The more you sell, the more you produce. Segmenting African markets is a big mistake. We should use the tool of markets to support businesses,” he said.

On other joint projects, their Excellencies reaffirmed their commitment to fast-track the implementation of energy and road transportation networks, specifically, the ongoing construction of the Omugakorongo – Kigarama – Murongo (km 111)/Kikagati – Mbarara – Kampala (km 392) and Masaka – Mutukula (km 89.5)/Mutukula –Kyaka and Bugene – Kasulo – Kumunazi (km 157.6).

President Museveni later addressed the Business Forum at State House Dar es Salaam, toured the Port of Dar es Salaam and the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) and jointly addressed the EACOP symposium organised by the Tanzania and Uganda private sector bodies.



*President Museveni and President Samia Suluhu toast during a state banquet held at State House, Dar-es-Salaam.*



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### DAR-ES-SALAAM, TANZANIA:

President Yoweri Museveni directed the Minister of East African Affairs as well as the Uganda High commissioner to Tanzania to facilitate the setting up of Tanzania Ports Authority offices in Kampala, a move agreed upon by the two heads of state to fast track the transportation of goods and services for the new crude oil pipeline and also ease the cost of doing business between the two countries.

The President was touring the Port of Dar es Salaam as part of his three-day State Visit to Tanzania. President Museveni and President Samia Suluhu Hassan agreed during their official visit that the Kampala office will be vital in clearing equipment for building the pipeline from the port of Dar-es-Salaam.

During the tour, the President stressed the need for attitude change in doing business if the region is to achieve socioeconomic transformation.

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Dar-es-Salaam Port is the Tanzania principal port with a rated capacity of 4.1 million (dwt) dry cargo and 6.0 million (dwt) bulk liquid cargo. It has a total quay length of about 2,600 metres with eleven deep-water berths. Dar-es-Salaam port handles about 95% of the Tanzania international trade and serves the landlocked countries of Malawi, Zambia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda. The port is strategically placed to serve as a convenient freight linkage not only to and from East and Central Africa countries but also to middle and far East, Europe, Australia and America.

Later the President toured the Tanzania Standard Gauge Railway and noted that pipeline and the SGR projects will go a long way in pulling in oil from other neighbouring countries including Uganda, DRC, South Sudan among others.

President Museveni noted that most of the countries were not any different from Africa but got rich because of being fast and also the attitude towards doing business and transformation.

He said once the region transforms four elements of its economy including low cost of transport, low of electricity, low cost of money in banks for manufacturing and agriculture as well as some of the services like tourism and hotel management, low cost of labour among others their economies will grow faster.

He urged Africans against fragmenting their market citing a contrast between the North and South America where one is rich in natural resources but poor due to fragmented market and the other has less resources but is the world's biggest economy. He said that the African people should be their own tool for marketing their products.

The Tanzania Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) under construction will link the country to the neighboring countries of Rwanda and Uganda, and through these two, to Burundi and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The new Tanzania SGR, is intended to replace the old, inefficient metre-gauge railway system and reduce road congestion. It is also expected to decrease freight costs by 40%. Each freight train is expected to transport up to 10,000 tonnes, equivalent to 500 lorry-loads. The project is being implemented in 5 phases: 202km Phase 1 (Dar es Salaam–Morogoro) Section, 348km Phase 2 (Morogoro–Makutopora) Section, 294km Phase 3 (Makutopora–Tabora) Section; 130km Phase 4 (Tabora–Isaka) Section, and 341km Phase 5 (Isaka–Mwanza) Section.

The President who was accompanied by Tanzania's foreign minister Prof Palamagamba Kabudi said he was happy to be in Tanzania and share ideas, adding that one of the problems of Africa was lack of sharing ideas which has led the continent to lag behind.

He thanked his host President Suluhu Hassan for her hospitality and applauded the long standing relationship between the two brotherly countries. The function was attended by senior government officials as well as the business community.



*President Museveni touring the Tanzania Standard Gauge Railway*



# 28th November, 2021

## President Museveni, President Suluhu address Joint Business Forum

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### DAR-ES-SALAAM, TANZANIA:

President Yoweri Museveni said a federated East Africa would create a united market for the businesses of 200 million people, who will be 401 million by 2050, (according to the UN projections), adding, a political federation would also make it easier to handle issues of insecurity such as the insecurity in Eastern Congo, Somalia, Mozambique, etc., which affects even the countries that are stable because ‘we have not and we cannot build walls between these sister countries’.

The President was addressing the Business Community at the Business Forum held at State House Dar-es-Salaam. The Forum was held alongside the EACOP Symposiums organized by the Tanzania and Uganda Private sectors.

“East Africa is quite homogenous, around the language of Swahili on top of the shared heritage of the Bantu, Nilotic, Nilo-Hamitic and Cushitic peoples of this area. It is these similarities and ancient linkages that should enable East Africa to achieve maximum unity in the form of both political (federation) and economic (common market) integration,” the President said.

President Museveni was in Tanzania for a three-day state visit at the invitation of Her Excellency Samia Suluhu Hassan, President of the United Republic of Tanzania. Her Excellency Suluhu Hassan and President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, addressed a joint business Forum during which they urged the business community to embrace the spirit of cooperation between the two countries and to explore opportunities to enhance bilateral trade and investment. They further directed the Ministers of the relevant sectors to meet as frequently to address the Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) and find solutions to challenges relating to trade.

President Museveni said the two levels of integration; political and economic for East Africa as well as economic for Africa - would create a bloc with which we can negotiate durable market access internationally with the USA, China, EU, Russia, India, Japan, Indonesia etc.

“You remember the world is *mpa, nkuwe*, give me so that I give you also – reciprocity. Why all those efforts? It is on account of our search for prosperity (jobs, goods and services, a bigger Government revenue, tax base, more export earnings, more value-addition, better infrastructure, better services such as health and education) and



strategic security (stronger armies that are able to ensure security and defend us against any and all enemies of whatever potential), taking advantage of our similarities, linkages and a common history,” he said.

On the issue of climate change, President Museveni said the climate salvation efforts are targeting, correctly, the use of coal for power generation and the internal combustion engines that should be replaced by electric engines.

He said there are safer uses of oil including car tyres which are synthetic and are much stronger than the rubber ones; chairs and car-seats; polyester for textiles to mix with cotton; medicine; bitumen (asphalt); cosmetics; detergents and packages, etc.

“Here, the environment issue is no longer green-house gases but waste-disposal. Can we not perpetually recycle some of those for re-use?” he asked.

The President informed Tanzanian, Ugandans, all the global citizens, that the East African pipeline business is a good, durable business.

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President Samia Suluhu Hassan on her part, expressed gratitude to President Museveni for spending his precious time in Tanzania and addressing the Business Forum and EACOP symposium in particular.

She said Tanzania appreciates Uganda’s support towards the realisation of the East African Crude oil Pipeline project and subsequent social economic development of the two countries.

The one day Business Forum was organised by the government of Tanzania and aimed at providing a platform for the private sector to network, understand industry opportunities and challenges, showcase capabilities through sharing of knowledge and experiences as well as identify key strategies that can enable partnerships between the two countries.

While the two day EACOP symposium was organised by Tanzania and Uganda Private sector bodies and run under the theme: ***“Enhancing Private sector participation in the oil and gas sector”***.

It is estimated that during first construction phase of EACOP, Uganda and Tanzania will see increase of over 60% in foreign direct investment. The oil and gas project shall total up to US US\$20b with EACOP investment alone at over US\$3.5b.

The symposium attracted private sector players as well as senior government officials eager to tap into oil and gas business.

Later, President Museveni visited and toured the Port of Dar-es-Salaam and the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) and was impressed by the developments at the Port and SGR that will improve the movement of cargo destined to Uganda hence reducing the cost of doing business in the two countries.

# 29th November, 2021

## Museveni pays respects to late Tanzania President Magufuli

### CHATO, TANZANIA:

President Yoweri Museveni concluded his three-day state visit to the United Republic Of Tanzania with a visit to the ancestral home of the Late Tanzania President John Pombe Joseph Magufuli, where he paid his respects and laid a wreath on the grave of the former Head of State.

On his arrival in Chato, President Museveni was received by President Samia Suluhu Hassan and was ushered into the home and house of the late President where he met and consoled Mrs Janeth Magufuli, the widow of the fallen head of state. He also met and consoled Pombe Magufuli's mother.

President John Pombe Joseph Magufuli who died in March this year aged 61 was the fifth President of Tanzania. He was buried at his ancestral home of Chato in the North West of the country on 26th March, 2021 nearly 10 days after his death.

Magufuli was born in Chato, north-west Tanzania, in 1959, studied chemistry and mathematics at the University of Dar es Salaam and worked as a chemistry and mathematics teacher. He was first elected as a Member of Parliament (MP) in 1995 and became a cabinet minister in 2000. He was elected President in 2015. He was reelected again in 2020 elections and died after serving few months in the office.



*President Museveni signs a condolence book at the burial site of late President John Pombe Joseph Magufuli*

# 29th November, 2021

## President commissions Museveni Primary School in Chato

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### CHATO, TANZANIA:

President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni accompanied by his Tanzanian counterpart Samia Suluhu commissioned the newly constructed Museveni Pre and Primary School located in Nyabirezi Village, Chato district in Tanzania.

During the inauguration ceremony, the President said he was neither requested nor commanded by the late President of the United Republic of Tanzania, Dr. John Pombe Joseph Magufuli to build a school in Tanzania but that it was a suggestion that was brought forward by two fallen Heads of state; H.E. John Magufuli and H.E. Benjamin Mkapa

The President recounted that while these days the important thing is business, they reasoned then, that if they can use brotherhood, they could have a very prosperous part of the world here.

President Museveni also revealed that he was previously invited by the late President Benjamin Mkapa to build for Tanzania a school in remembrance of the Amin war which he said he did,

when he constructed Ndutwe Primary School and later another school around Kagera River named Nyamiyaga Primary School after the war against Uganda's former President Idi Amin Dada.

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He explained that he requested Tanzania army leaders to look for patriots of Tanzania People's Defence Forces (TPDF) who fought in Uganda to search in records and identify the places where they won the war therefore name those two schools after those places.



He later officially handed over the school to the government of Tanzania.

The President of the United Republic Of Tanzania H.E Samia Suluhu Hassan thanked Museveni for investing over US\$1.6 million (About 5.6 billion shs) in Tanzania, and said, 'it is not an easy feat'.

"You have invested over US\$1.6 million, Chato loves you so much. What you have done for the people of Chato can only be related to a saying which goes that: 'Give a fish to someone and they will be healed of hunger for the night but teach them how to fish and they will forever be healed for their lives,'" she said.

Museveni Pre and Primary School sits on 11.4 Acres of land. It has an administration block, sixteen classrooms, two staff rooms, a resource centre, dining hall, kitchen, and two kindergarten classrooms.

President Museveni was later seen off by his Tanzanian counterpart at Geita Airport where several other senior government officials from Tanzania also lined up to see him off.

Also present at the airport were Uganda's Deputy High Commissioner to Tanzania Maj. Gen. Godffrey Muhesi and the defense attaché Maj. Gen. Steven Kashaka and Tanzania's High Commissioner to Uganda, Liberation R. Mulamula among others.



*President Museveni and President Suluhu cut the ribbon to open Museveni Pre-and Primary School in Chato, Tanzania*



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