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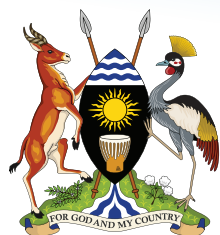
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We remain committed to developing and promoting Tourism, Wildlife and Cultural heritage resources for enhancement of Uganda as a preferred tourist destination, with accelerated sector contribution to the National Economy.



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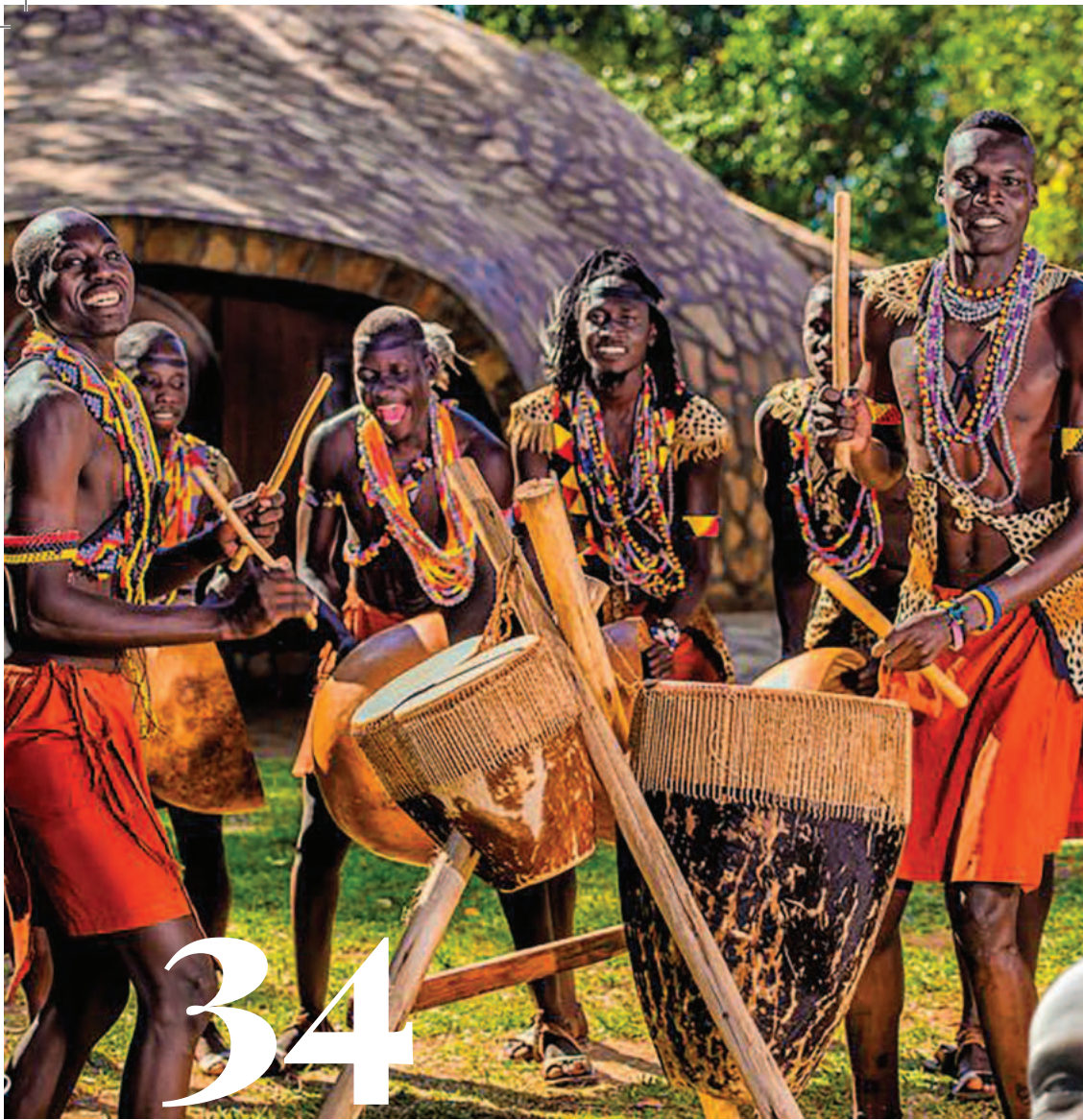
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Editors Remarks

International TOURISM DAY 2024

Theme: Tourism and Peace

The 2024 International Tourism Day calls us to realize the need for our deliberate individual contribution towards the general growth and development of the sector. For any country to thrive in terms of achieving its strategic development goals, whether long term or short term, as a matter of fact, peace must prevail. By law, every citizen has the prerogative to observe, maintain, promote peace and advocate for it where need be. A peaceful environment is a perfect recipe for attaining economic prosperity resulting from the exploitation of the various opportunities within the Tourism Sector.

The Pearl of Africa Magazine is dedicated towards the promotion of Domestic Tourism in Uganda through print media and online services. The magazine is a platform for the various players and stakeholders to exhibit, advertise and create awareness of their products and services.

Uganda, the Pearl of Africa as described by Sir Churchill Winston is home to various natural wonders that many of us have not taken keen interest in or have just taken them for granted. Therefore, Landmark Magazine in partnership with the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities would like to work towards changing this narrative through this Magazine (also accessible via the Ministry website) and other similar publications. During his visit to Uganda in 1907, Winston Churchill was amazed by the natural magnificence in terms of biodiversity and unfathomable beauty in all aspects, something many Ugandans have not appreciated. However, we believe that through public awareness the Tourism Sector is destined for greater heights and exponential opportunities and this journey can be made easier if we all in our individual capacity contribute towards its success.



“The Pearl of Africa”

In recent years (post Covid-19), the Tourism Sector has experienced significant growth with a remarkable over 25% increase in tourism arrivals by the first half of 2024

Uganda is a landlocked country geographically located along the Equator in the East African region with a population of approximately 45 people. The Pearl of Africa as first described by Sir Winston Churchill due to its natural stunning beauty, is highly ranked among the top world tourism destinations. Uganda's beauty is seen from the multiple hills & valleys, mountains, forests, lakes, rivers, waterfalls, vast savannah grasslands, a wide range of biodiversity coupled with a diverse Cultural heritage and hospitable people.

In recent years (post Covid-19), the Tourism Sector has experienced significant growth with a remarkable over 25% increase in tourism arrivals by the first half of 2024. The growth is attributed to a number of contributing factors such as investment in tourist attractions & facilities, resurgence in wildlife

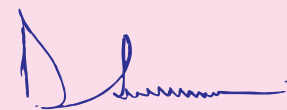
population as a result of strong conservation measures and initiatives among others.

This year's World Tourism Day theme 'Tourism and Peace' resonates well with the core principals of the NRM Government led by H. E Gen. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda. Since his first inauguration in 1986, the President has been the chief ambassador for peace in Uganda and the East African region. Therefore, a great deal of the success in this sector is attributed to his steadfast leadership which was once again exhibited in the way he managed the Covid-19 pandemic.

Tourism is now a very fast growing and prioritized sector of the economy contributing over Usd1.6bn to foreign exchange earnings, employment and livelihoods for Ugandans. The Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities urges all

Ugandans to conserve and protect the environment, promote peace and stability, invest and develop the attractions and make Uganda the preferred tourist destination. Our individual contribution is what we need to propel significant transform in the lives of our people as well as attaining Uganda's Vision-2040 of transforming Uganda into a middle-income country.

I would like to wish all Ugandans a happy World Tourism Day 2024 and may we all be Peace ambassadors, a key ingredient necessary for the growth of the Tourism Sector.



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I salute all stakeholders in the tourism sector on this year's International Tourism Day and thank them for their invaluable contribution to the development of Uganda's tourism. Since the UN Tourism General Assembly at its third session (Torremolinos, Spain, September 1979), decided to institute World Tourism Day, commencing in the year 1980, Uganda has gone through impressive transformation since 1986 when the National Resistance Movement (NRM) took over the country's leadership.

Uganda is highly ranked as a top tourist destination due to her exhilarating biodiversity, excellent weather and extensive cultural heritage and as such our tourism sector is considered to be one of the fastest growing in Africa. The sector has over the years registered remarkable growth. In fact, before the Covid-19 pandemic, it contributed 6.2% of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Today, the sector employs over 600,000 Ugandans both directly and indirectly and it has the potential to address some of the pressing challenges such as youth unemployment. Peace, security and stability have been at the heart of this journey of transformation of the tourism sector and the economy at large. This year's theme (Tourism and Peace), therefore, resonates with the NRM government's commitment to promote peace and stability as a key ingredient in creating sustainable development across all sectors including tourism.

As responsible citizens of Uganda, we have a duty to play by creating and identifying opportunities within the sector that will transform lives. I call upon the various sector players to promote domestic tourism, improve management and to target support where it is likely to yield the highest returns for economic benefit. This includes product diversification, skills development and access to finance, rooting this right from private sector management and inclusion of the different

players such as tour guides, tour operators, hospitality workers, marketers, among others.

The lessons we learnt from occurrences like Covid-19 taught us the need to rethink the competitiveness and resilience models of the tourism industry. The government of Uganda through the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities, Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA), Uganda Wildlife Education Centre (UWEC), Cultural Institutions like the Kingdom of Tooro and the private sector have partnered with United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in an arrangement facility called Rapid Financing Facility (RFF) which is a USD 2 Million Initiative to harness nature, culture and digital technology to stimulate recovery from economic shocks such as Covid-19. The initiative is aimed at rebuilding the tourism industry in partnership with the Government of Uganda by broadening community participation in the tourism value chain and effectively harness the country's rich natural and heritage sectors, while capitalizing on the digital economy.

Let us remember that Uganda's tourism industry holds the key to increase job creation, foreign exchange earnings, enhanced domestic revenue mobilization and service-led economic transformation. So, to realize its full potential, a multidimensional peaceful economic approach is needed to bring together stakeholders and offer targeted support towards achieving our goals.

I wish you all a happy and peaceful International Tourism Day, 2024. Asante sana.

For God and My Country

Maj. (Rtd.) Jessica Alupo R. E. (MP)
Vice President



Industrial Tourism:

H.E President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni touring stalls of exhibitors, joined by H.E Vice President Jessica Alupo, the Chief Justice Owiny Dollo and the Minister of Gender, Labour and Social Development Hon. Amongi Betty on Women's day 2024 in katakwi district.

Cultural Tourism:

H.E Maj.(Rtd) Jessica Alupo R.E(MP), Vice President of the Republic of Uganda bidding farewell to H.E Fukuzawa Hidemoto, the outgoing Japanese Ambassador to Uganda.



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H.E Maj. (Rtd.) Jessica Alupo R. E. (MP), Vice President of the Republic of Uganda hosting His Royal Highness, Papa Emorimori Paul Sande Emolot to discuss a range of issues related to the development of Teso subregion and Uganda at large.



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Theme; Tourism and Peace

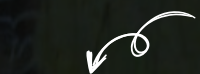
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WHAT WE DO

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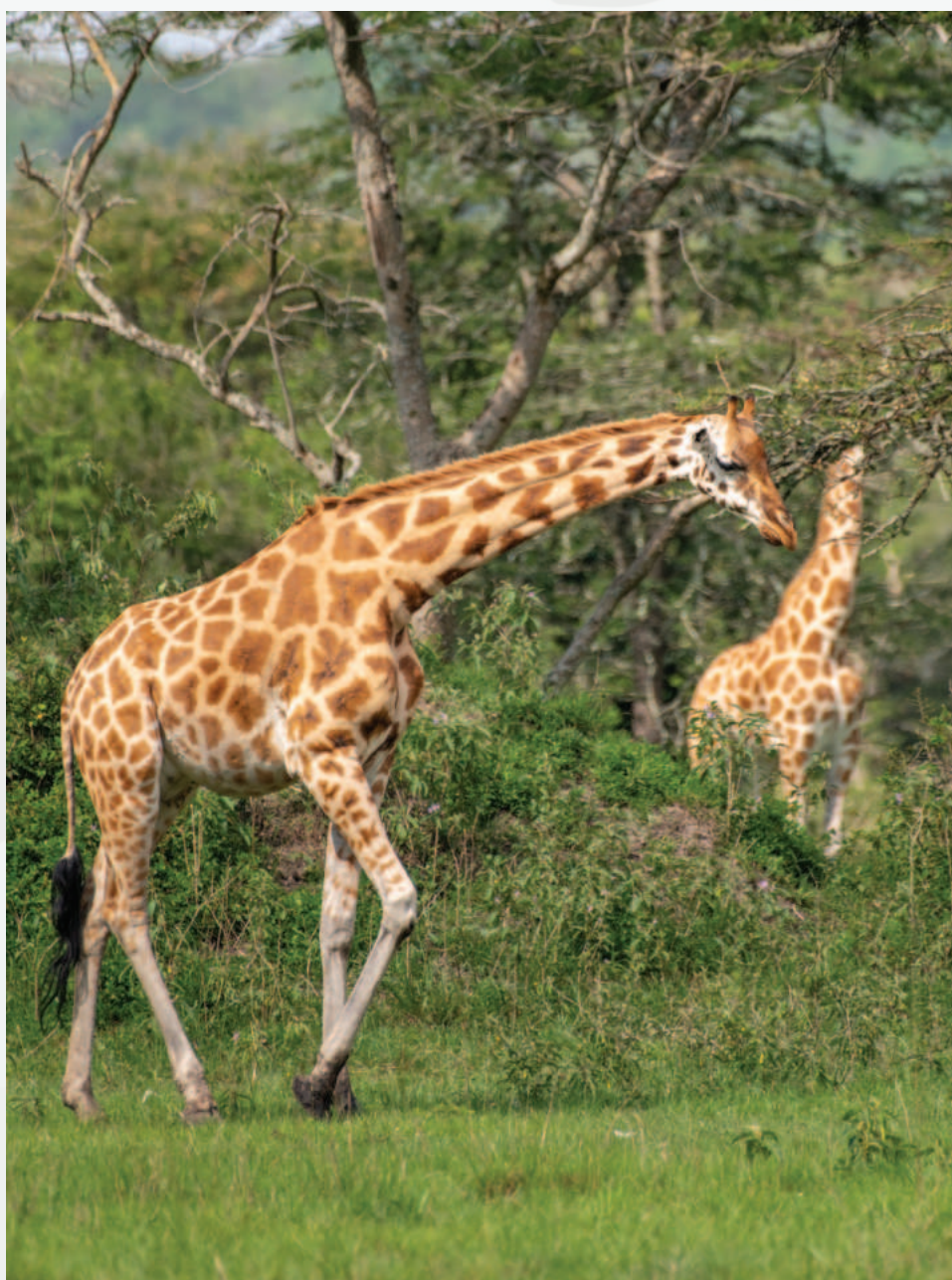
WHY OUR WORK MATTERS

GCIC provides timely, cost effective and data driven communication between Government and Citizens to enable service delivery, policy formulation and citizen participation in governance. Listening to citizens yields better and effective delivery of services and creates more transparency and accountability.

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Activities;

- ✓ Game drives
- ✓ Bird watching
- ✓ Game biking
- ✓ Horse riding
- ✓ Game walks

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Residents include; lions, cheetahs, zebras, buffalos, giraffes and ostriches.

Living in the vicinity of the park are the Karimojong people, a fiercely pastoralist community.

Activities;

- ✓ Game drives
- ✓ Bird watching
- ✓ Community story telling

Mountain Elgon National Park

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The Office of The Director of Public Prosecutions' Role in Combating Wildlife Crime

Uganda, renowned for its exceptional wildlife diversity, stands as a unique convergence zone where the East African savannah meets the West African rainforest. This natural splendour earned it the title "The Pearl of Africa" from Winston Churchill.

Today, however, Uganda finds itself as a crucial hub for illegal wildlife trade—a 'one-stop shop' for buying and selling illicit wildlife, laundering proceeds, and engaging in other unlawful activities such as timber and drug trafficking.

According to the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda, the state is mandated to protect vital natural resources, including land, air, water, wetlands, minerals, oil, fauna, and flora, on behalf of its citizens (Objective XIII). The Constitution emphasizes the promotion of sustainable development and increasing the public's awareness about

the responsible management of these resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

To uphold these constitutional obligations, Uganda has established various departments, agencies, and authorities. Among these are the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA), Uganda Revenue Authority (URA), and the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA). Each of these institutions plays a crucial role in the stewardship of the nation's natural resources.

The ODPP is pivotal in maintaining law and order through the management of criminal prosecutions. Its mandate includes instituting criminal prosecutions against individuals or authorities, directing the police to investigate any criminal information and report back expeditiously, taking over and continuing criminal

Conservation

proceedings initiated by others in court (excluding the court martial), and discontinuing criminal proceedings at any stage before judgment is delivered.

Uganda finds itself at a crucial juncture in the fight against illegal wildlife trade. The ODPP plays a vital role in this battle, working diligently to uphold the law and protect Uganda's natural heritage.

The ODPP's role therefore involves:

1. **Legal Expertise:** Providing specialized legal knowledge to handle complex wildlife crime cases.
2. **Prosecution:** Taking cases to court, presenting evidence, and advocating for appropriate penalties.
3. **Coordination:** Collaborating with law enforcement agencies, environmental groups, and other stakeholders to strengthen case building.
4. **Policy Development:** Assisting in the development of legal frameworks and policies to better address and prevent wildlife crimes.
5. **Awareness and Training:** Promoting awareness about wildlife crime and training law enforcement and Prosecutors on related legal issues.

By fulfilling these responsibilities in conjunction with other agencies, the ODPP ensures that those involved in wildlife crimes are prosecuted effectively, thereby safeguarding Uganda's rich biodiversity. This collaborative effort is vital in the fight against illegal wildlife trade and related criminal activities, reflecting Uganda's commitment to preserving its natural heritage.

Under the Uganda Wildlife Act Cap 315, the ODPP prosecutes a range of criminal activities, including but not limited to:

- Hunting, killing, taking, injuring, or disturbing any wild or domestic animals, as well as preparing land for cultivation or mineral prospecting.
- Driving, conveying, or introducing any wild animals into wildlife conservation areas.
- Entering wildlife-protected areas without permission.
- Importing, exporting, re-exporting, or attempting to import/export any specimens or species without a permit.

- Possessing, selling, buying, or transferring protected specimens.

In its mandate under Article 120 of the Constitution, the ODPP has empowered Prosecutors within UWA to prosecute cases by issuing prosecuting licenses under the Uganda Wildlife Act Cap 315. This delegation has significantly lightened the burden on ODPP prosecutors, allowing for more focused and efficient handling of wildlife crime cases.

Furthermore, the collaboration has yielded positive results. The Standards, Utilities, and Wildlife Court, along with other courts across the country, have seen an increase in conviction rates as cases receive the attention they deserve. Reports from the Uganda Wildlife Authority Database indicate that between January and March 2024, 309 cases involving 503 suspects were registered. Of these, 246 suspects were charged in court, demonstrating that prosecution is a powerful tool in combating wildlife crime. Uganda Wildlife Authority, a semi-autonomous government agency, conserves and manages Uganda's wildlife for the benefit of the nation and the world. UWA's mandate ensures sustainable management of wildlife resources both within and outside protected areas.

According to data from the Standards, Utilities, and Wildlife Court, there have

been 602 cases registered since its inception in 2016. Of these 551 have been concluded while 51 are pending. The most commonly trafficked species include elephant ivory, live pangolins, pangolin scales and skin, and bush meat from animals like bushbucks and bush duikers.

The tourism industry in Uganda, heavily reliant on wildlife and natural resources, faces significant threats from illicit trade and terrorism activities in conservation areas. Continuous engagement with communities around these areas is significant to act as watch guards against security threats affecting tourism. The Uganda Tourism Trends and Outlook Report 2024 reveals a steady growth in wildlife-based tourism. Visitor numbers to Uganda's national parks have increased from 101,331 in 2020 to 387,914 in 2023, boosting the sector's growth. The Tourism Research and Development Centre (TRDC) projects an 82% increase in the sector's performance based on a survey conducted in January 2024. Preliminary data from Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS) and the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities (MTWA) indicates that tourism's direct gross domestic product (TDGDP) was USD 3.3 trillion in 2023. International visitor arrivals were estimated at 1,262,734 by the end of 2023, representing a 55% growth rate from 814,504 arrivals in 2022.



A glance at a case prosecuted at the Standards, Utilities and Wildlife Court;

In a case underscoring Uganda's commitment to combating wildlife crime, Opio Tonny and two accomplices were recently apprehended and prosecuted for illegal possession and trade of ivory. The successful conclusion of this significant case in

the Standards, Utilities, and Wildlife Court, showcases the effective collaboration between law enforcement and judicial authorities in protecting Uganda's precious wildlife.

On February 10th, 2024, at Odolo Primary School in Libi Village, Lira District, Opio Tonny and two others were found in possession of six pieces of ivory, weighing a total of 75 kilograms. The accused were intercepted by an enforcement team from UWA during an undercover operation. Following their arrest, they were charged under case number Kira Road CRB 148/2024.

Opio Tonny, the primary accused, pleaded guilty to the charges of illegal possession and trade of ivory. Recognizing the severity of the crime and the need to deter future offenses, the court sentenced him to four years of imprisonment. This sentence reflects Uganda's zero-tolerance policy towards wildlife crime and serves as a stern warning to those engaged in illegal activities that are threatening the nation's biodiversity.

This successful prosecution highlights the essential role played by the UWA and the judicial system in combating wildlife crime.

By bringing offenders to justice, Uganda reaffirms its dedication to preserving its wildlife heritage and protecting endangered species from the threat of poaching and illegal trade.

The ODPP remains steadfast in its quest to uphold the law and ensure that those who engage in wildlife crimes are held accountable. This case is a testament to the effectiveness of coordinated efforts between law enforcement and judicial bodies in safeguarding Uganda's natural resources.

In a powerful reminder of our duty to protect the natural world, the words of Theodore Roosevelt resonate deeply within our ongoing efforts to combat wildlife crime. As Roosevelt aptly put it, "The wildlife and its habitat cannot speak, so we must, and we will." This declaration serves as a clarion call for all of us to take action and ensure the preservation of our planet's invaluable natural resources.

As an embodiment of this commitment, Uganda continues to stand firm in its resolve to combat wildlife crime and safeguard our rich biodiversity. The Uganda Wildlife Authority, in collaboration with various stakeholders, has made

significant strides in curbing illegal activities that threaten our wildlife and their habitats.

In recent months, Uganda has witnessed a series of successful prosecutions and enforcement actions aimed at dismantling wildlife trafficking networks. These efforts are indispensable in ensuring

that those who exploit and endanger wildlife face the law.

However, the words of Theodore Roosevelt also highlight the value of advocacy and public awareness in wildlife conservation. By raising awareness and promoting responsible stewardship, we can empower individuals and communities to become active participants in protecting our natural heritage.

We urge all citizens to join us in this relevant mission. Whether through reporting illegal activities, supporting conservation initiatives, or simply educating others about the importance of wildlife protection, every action counts. Together, we can make a difference and ensure that the voices of our wildlife and their habitats are heard.

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions reaffirms its unwavering commitment to upholding justice and safeguarding Uganda's precious wildlife. This dedication aligns with global efforts to combat wildlife crime, demonstrating Uganda's proactive stance in preserving its natural heritage.

Key Points:

- **Dedicated Mission:** The ODPP continues to lead in prosecuting wildlife crimes, ensuring that offenders face justice and that Uganda's rich biodiversity is protected from illegal exploitation.
- **Global Contribution:** By aligning with international standards and cooperating with global wildlife conservation initiatives, the ODPP plays a crucial role in the worldwide fight against wildlife crime.
- **Focused Efforts:** Through rigorous legal action and collaboration with wildlife and environmental agencies, the ODPP is at the forefront of preserving Uganda's wildlife and upholding the principles of justice and sustainability.

The ODPP's efforts highlight Uganda's role as a key player in global wildlife conservation and its steadfast dedication to maintaining the integrity of its natural resources.





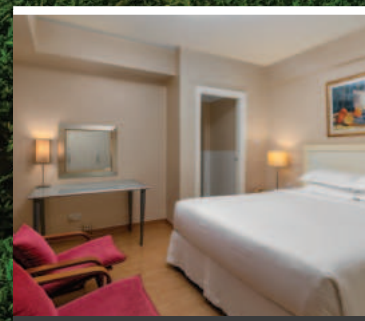
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Promoting Ecotourism for Peace and Development

The National Forestry Authority (NFA) is mandated to manage and develop Central Forest Reserves (CFRs), which are habitats for wildlife and vital for tourism, contributing 8% to Uganda's GDP. Uganda's tourism is largely nature-based, centered on diverse geographical areas, with a vast majority of the country's biodiversity found in natural forests.

NFA views forest tourism as a key revenue generator and a strategic conservation method. It creates employment opportunities and fosters partnerships with the private sector, non-governmental organizations, and local communities, enabling peaceful coexistence with forest-adjacent communities and other partners.

Ecotourism development in CFRs attracts tourists who seek meaningful experiences and contribute to environmental conservation. This not only aids local communities by providing employment opportunities but also supports local businesses, as tourists often spend money on local services, contributing to the improvement of livelihoods.

The Government of Uganda (GoU), represented by the National Forestry Authority, has received financing from the World Bank for the "Investing in Forests and Protected Areas for Climate-Smart Development" (IFPA-CD) project. Part of this funding will be used for consulting services. The project is being implemented by the Ministry of Water and Environment (MWE, Lead Agency), Uganda Wildlife Authority, and the National Forestry Authority, with the involvement of the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife, and Antiquities in tourism-related activities.

The project integrates forest management

in both protected areas and community-managed lands, increasing revenues, creating jobs, and supporting resilient livelihoods in targeted landscapes. Notably, the project includes several ecotourism activities:

1. **Canopy Walkway in Budongo CFR at Kaniyo Pabidi** - Allows tourists to enjoy life above the ground and experience the treetops.
2. **Trail Establishment and Maintenance** - In Echuya, Kalinzu, Budongo, and Bugoma CFRs, to enhance visitors' experiences in the forests.
3. **Central Reservation System** - A system to be developed and stationed at NFA Headquarters to manage visitor statistics and revenue collection.
4. **Chimpanzee Habituation:**
 - o **Budongo CFR** - Habituation started in June 2023; teams are currently in contact with the chimps, which is a positive indicator of success.
 - o **Kalinzu CFR** - Habituation also started in June 2023, with similar positive progress.
5. **Sign Posts** - Sixteen signposts installed at strategic locations in Budongo, Bugoma, Kalinzu, and Echuya, directing visitors to ecotourism sites.
6. **Capacity Building:**
 - o **Staff Training** - Training of operations staff and senior management in ecotourism activities at NFA Headquarters in Kampala.
 - o **Community Training** - Training of Community Forest Management (CFM) members in tour guiding skills, especially those near ecotourism sites.
7. **Camping/Picnic Site** - To be established at the Transparent Lake in Kashyoha Kitomi CFR.
8. **Bird Hides** - Four bird hides to be constructed: one at Echuya CFR, one at Muchuya Swamp to spot Grauer's Swamp Warbler, and two in Budongo at the Royal Mile.
9. **Tourism Roads:**
 - o Approximately 5 km in Kalinzu CFR connecting to the proposed Visitors Information Centre and the Research Centre.
 - o Maintenance of a 45 km biking trail in Budongo CFR from Busingiro to Hanga, and the opening of a new road from Hanga to Kaniyo Pabidi.
10. **Eco-Gates** - Four eco-gates to be constructed at Bugoma, Mwera, Budongo-Busingiro, and Echuya CFRs.
11. **Visitors Information Centers (VICs)** - To be constructed in Bugoma, Budongo, and Echuya CFRs, including a reception, exhibition hall, auditorium, and café.
12. **Walk Board at Echuya** - The planned bird hides will be placed on a 300-meter walk board along the Muchuya Swamp, home to the Grauer's Swamp Warbler.
13. **Tour Guiding Equipment** - Provision of binoculars and cameras for field guiding.

The National Forestry Authority has strategically positioned ecotourism as a form of responsible travel to natural areas that conserves forests sustainably, supports the livelihoods of forest-adjacent communities, and serves as a non-consumptive source of revenue for the government.



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Ecotourism Development in Central Forest Reserves Creates Green Jobs

conservation. The facilities provide employment opportunities for local communities and often the visitors spend money at businesses owned by locals, thus providing an income for them hence contributing to their livelihood.

ECOTOURISM PRODUCTS

NFA offers a diverse set of tourism products in different Central Forest reserves on the different tourism circuits as described herein.

1. Kasyoha Kitomi CFR; Located in

the districts of Rubirizi, Buhwezu and Ibanda, Kasyoha Kitomi Central Forest Reserve covers an area of 39,464 hectares (ha). The forest is endowed with attractions that include primates such as chimpanzees, blue monkeys, red tailed monkeys, black and white colobus monkeys, vervet monkeys and baboons, spectacular crater lakes, transparent lakes, and small mammals, waterfalls, deep gorges, birdlife, butterflies and moths, reptiles and abundant plant life.

The National Forestry Authority (NFA) is mandated to manage and develop central forest reserves (CFRs), habitats to wildlife and important to tourism which contributes about 6% to Uganda's GDP. Uganda's touristic products are largely nature based and centered on distinct geographical areas especially the Albertine rift region. The region has most of Uganda's prime natural forests which are rich in biodiversity.

At NFA we consider forest based tourism as one of the key activities that generates revenue. Tourism is a strategic conservation method, creates employment opportunities as well as builds and enhances partnerships with the private sector, non-government organizations, and local communities neighboring the forest reserves.

Ecotourism development in CFRs is helping local communities by bringing in tourists who seek meaningful experience and contribute to environmental



The Misty Echuya Central Forest Reserve.

Conservation

Tourism activities include: Birding, Nature walk, Camping, Forest Walks, Canoeing, Community Walks, Sightseeing, Conservation Education and Research.

2. **Kalinzu CFR;** Located in Bushenyi and Rubirizi Districts along Mbarara-Kasese highway covers an area of 14,126 hectares. The forest is famous for 414 species of trees and harbours 378 species of birds, six different species of primates, blue monkeys, vervet monkeys, black and white colobus monkeys and chimpanzees, 262 species of butterflies, 97 species of moths and reptiles.

Tourism activities include: Forest Walks, Research, Conservation Education, Birding, Butterfly Identification, small Mammal viewing, Chimpanzee Tracking, Chimpanzee Habituation, Nature walk and Camping. Canopy walkway is coming soon.

3. **Budongo CFR;** Located in Masindi and Buliisa districts and is the largest surviving Natural Forest in Uganda with a total surface area of 82,530 hectares. Visitors seeking the serenity and calmness of being next to nature should opt for Budongo! Professionally preserved and managed, the forest is divided into three zones. Its Strict Nature



Chimps crossing a road in Bugoma CFR.

Reserve is the oldest in the Country while its Buffer Zone allows Eco – Tourism and Research to prosper and its Production Zone caters for commercial activities. Budongo has two Eco – Tourism sites Kaniyo – Pabidi and Busingiro.

Tourism activities include: Chimpanzee Tracking, Chimpanzee Habituation, Birding, Nature walk, Filming, Research. Canopy walkway is coming soon.

4. **Bugoma CFR;** Located in Hoima & Kikuube districts and covers an area of 41,144 hectares. The forest is richly blessed with Chimpanzees, Monkeys, Reptiles, Birds, Butterflies and Tree Species some of which are endemic to Bugoma. Those that can occasionally be seen include Uganda Kobs, Buffaloes and Elephants.

Tourism activities include: Chimpanzee Tracking, Mangabey tracking, Birding, Nature walk and Research.

5. **Echuya CFR;** Located in Rubanda and Kisoro districts and covers an area of 3,403 hectares. The forest is a magical tropical forest prominently known as a bamboo forest found along the popular Kigezi highlands. It boasts of approximately 20 species of trees, 10 species of mammals and 94 species of birds.

Tourism activities include: Grauer's Swamp Warbler, Birding, Batwa Cultural Experience and Nature walks.

6. **Mabira CFR;** Mabira is a rainforest covering about 29,964 hectares and located in Buikwe, Kayunga and Mukono districts. The forest is a natural habitat for approximately 312 species of trees,



A camping ground at Mpanga Ecotourism site.

home to 315 species of birds, 218 species of butterflies, 97 species of moths, 23 species of small mammal. It is also home to many endangered species like the primate *Lophocebus ugandae*.

Tourism activities include: Zip lining, Mangabey Tracking, Nature Walks, Environmental Education and Research, Camping and Picnics, Primate Watching, Butterfly Identification and general Forest Exploration.

7. **Mpanga CFR;** Mpanga is a small rainforest covering about 453 hectares and located in Mpigi District. It is a natural forest with



A chimpanzee in Bugoma CFR-Mwera site.

unique tree species. The forest also boasts of approximately 500 species of trees and shrubs, 300 species of birds, 97 species of butterflies and 112 species of moths. Three species of monkeys can be seen in the forest including vervet, red-tailed and black and white colobus monkeys.

Tourism activities include: Birding, Butterfly Identification, Nature walks and Biking

8. **Mt. Moroto CFR;** The mount Moroto forest is located in Moroto District, Karamoja region and covers an area of 48,210 hectares. The forest is known for its unique wilderness and it is a water tower

for Moroto city which is situated at its foothill.

Tourism activities include: Hiking, Biking, Camping and Nature Walks.

9. **Mt. Kadam CFR;** Mt. Kadam forest is located in Nakapiripirit and Amudat districts Karamoja region covering approximately 39,917 hectares is privileged with unique biodiversity and undiscovered mountain ranges.

Tourism activities include: Hiking, Biking, Nature Walks and Camping.

10. **Lutoboka CFR;** Lutoboka forest is located on one of the legendary

Ssesse Islands. The forest is a medium altitude moist forest, more than half of its boundary touches Lake Victoria.

Tourism activities include: Sailing, Boating, Sport Fishing and Sun Bathing along the Lakeshores.

In the public eye, central forest reserves are associated with consumptive forms of land use. However, there are a number of Central Forest Reserves that undoubtedly have features and attractions that are of real interest to domestic and international tourists and which can be tapped on a sustainable basis.

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Public Notice

National Forestry Authority's (NFA) rates on granted permits, licenses and offers for the sustainable utilization and management of any part of the Central Forest Reserves in Uganda pursuant to Section 41 of the National Forestry and Tree Planting Act No.8 of 2003, that annual fees for tree planting and ecotourism activities were revised effective 1st January 2024.

Tree planting annual fees

Tree planting rates are set based on the radius from the cities of Kampala, Jinja, Lira, Gulu, Mbale, Masaka, Mbarara, Fort Portal,

Hoima and Soroti.

Approved New Rates

New Rates effective 1 st January 2024		
Class	Description	New Rates
A	Within radius of 50km from the city center	50,000
B	Within radius of 51km & beyond from the city center	25,000

Ecotourism activities annual fees

1.Rates for Ecotourism activities in Kalinzu, Bugoma & Budongo Central Forest Reserves.

PRODUCT	RATES							
	Uganda Shillings (UGX)					US Dollar (USD)		
	Students	Ugandan	East African	Non-Residents		Ugandan	East African	Non-Residents
Entrance	3,000	10,000	10,000	76,000		0	0	20
Chimp Tracking (1hr) <i>Entrance fee Inclusive</i>		240,500	240,500	481,000		65	65	130
Chimpanzee Habituation (2-4hrs)		277,500	370,000	555,000		75	100	150
Mangabey Tracking						25	35	50
Nature walk/Birding	3,000	37,000	74,000	148,000		10	20	40
Camping (<i>Per Tent</i>)	10,000	19,000	19,000	19,000		10	10	10
Research	20,000	100,000	100,000	100,000		100	100	100
(Filming Per Person)		1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000		500	500	500
Fines (Illegal Chimp tracking, and others)		1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000		500	500	500

2. The revised rates for Ecotourism activities in other Central Forest Reserves

PRODUCT	Uganda Shillings (UGX)				US Dollar (USD)		
	Students	Ugandan	East African	Non-Residents	Ugandan	East African	Non-Residents
Entrance	3,000	5,000	5,000	20,000	-	-	5

Nature walk/ Birding		30,000	30,000	50,000	8	8	14
Birding- Group of 8		90,000	90,000	120,000	25	25	32
Camping (Per Tent)	10,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	4	4	4
Guiding		10,000	10,000	10,000	3	3	3
Filming (per person)		950,000	950,000	950,000	260	260	260

3. Revised rates for Ecotourism concessions in Central Forest Reserves

Item	Price (USD)
Rate per hectare per year in Budongo, Bugoma and Kalinzu	1,000
Rate per hectare per year in the rest of CFRs	500
Rate per hectare per year for forest parks in all CFRs	500
Rate per hectare per year for stop overs	1,600
Commitment fees upon signing	3,000
Commitment fees upon signing-Forest parks & Highway Stopovers	5,000
Accommodation	5
Money collected on sales-variables	As agreed in agreement
Surcharge/penalties on late remittance of fees	10% on defaulted revenue

NOTE:

1. Children below between 0 - 5 years enjoy nature for free.
2. Minimum age for Chimpanzee tracking is 12 years. Consent from the parents/Guardian is a Must.

3. All Uganda Safari Guides Members (USAGA) have free access to all CFRs.
4. All prices are VAT inclusive.

Bugoma Forest Open for Chimpanzees Tracking

The National Forestry Authority has opened up and added chimpanzees tracking to the list of activities in Bugoma Central Forest Reserve. NFA with Bugoma primates' conservation project have been habituating two communities of chimps since 2015.

The two chimpanzees communities are the Mwera North which is habituated for research purposes while Mwera south is habituated for ecotourism purposes. Each community is comprised of sixty to seventy individuals. Bugoma boasts of other primate species like baboons, mangabeys and several tree species. This tourism activity is expected to increase revenue, provide market for local products and avail job opportunities for the youth thus improving livelihoods for forest adjacent communities.



Chimpanzees at Kalinzu CFR.

The tour operators are excited that chimp tracking will be a key product to promote ecotourism in Bugoma and they appreciated the 80\$ rate which is relatively affordable compared to others.

The lodges operating around Bugoma include Bugoma jungle lodge, Lake Albert safaris, Kirongo lodge and Hoima cultural sites that will collaborate with NFA in promoting chimpanzees tracking in Bugoma forest.



EXPLORE UGANDA THE PEARL OF AFRICA

Tourism for peace: Uganda joins the world in 2024 tourism day celebrations.

Every September 27th, the world converges to celebrate World Tourism Day. This year is no different as Uganda too joins the world in appreciating both the natural and artificial beauty endowed in the Pearl Of Africa.

Under this year's theme, "Tourism and Peace," the focus has been placed on how tourism promotes harmony, sustainability, and shared values for economic development. For Uganda, this celebration is an opportunity to showcase its rich and diverse tourism potential, while Kasese emerges as a microcosm of the country's natural beauty and cultural wealth.

Uganda's tourism recovery journey

Uganda has long been a destination for travellers seeking authentic African experiences. The country is blessed with diverse cultural heritag, landscapes ranging from the snow-capped peaks of the Rwenzori Mountains to the savannahs of Queen Elizabeth National Park, the misty forests of Bwindi, and the tranquil shores of Lake Victoria. Uganda's biodiversity is equally impressive, home to endangered species like mountain gorillas, chimpanzees, tree-climbing lions, and over 1,000 bird species.

However, the tourism sector took a hard hit during the COVID-19 pandemic. Tourist arrivals dropped from 1.5 million visitors in 2019 to just 800,000 in 2022, a 47% decline, severely affecting regions like Kasese that rely

on tourism revenue. Attractions such as the Rwenzori Mountains and Queen Elizabeth National Park, which previously drew thousands of visitors annually, saw drastic declines in numbers, which negatively impacted local livelihoods.

Despite these challenges, Uganda has shown resilience and made a remarkable recovery. By the end of 2023, the country had regained 1.3 million visitors, with a further 26% increase in tourist arrivals during the first half of 2024 compared to the previous year.

The Uganda Tourism Board (UTB) has been a major engine in driving this growth through drafting and implementing comprehensive plans to revive the industry.

First, they encouraged Ugandans to explore their own country. And it's working. Locals started taking advantage of affordable packages and promotions to discover Uganda's natural beauty, cultural heritage, and adventure activities. The "Explore Uganda" campaign was launched, showcasing the country's diverse tourism offerings and encouraging visitors to venture beyond traditional destinations. They also partnered with international tourism organizations and travel companies to promote Uganda as a safe and attractive destination.

Additionally, UTB is supporting initiatives on sustainable tourism practices, promoted eco-tourism, and encouraged tour operators to be environmentally friendly and socially responsible.

Kasese as a symbol of Uganda's tourism diversity

Kasese District, the host of World Tourism Day 2024, embodies Uganda's tourism diversity. Nestled between the majestic Rwenzori Mountains and the expansive savannahs of Queen Elizabeth National Park, Kasese offers a variety of tourism experiences ranging from challenging mountain treks to peaceful boat rides. Visitors can immerse themselves in cultural encounters with indigenous communities or embark on wildlife safaris featuring some of Africa's most iconic animals.

The Rwenzori Mountains, often referred to as the "Mountains of the Moon," stand as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Kasese's most prominent attractions. Known for their snow-capped peaks, the mountains are a haven for mountaineers and nature enthusiasts. The unique plant and animal species found here, including the rare

Rwenzori leopard, giant lobelias, and the colourful Rwenzori turaco, draw ecotourists from all corners of the globe.

Beyond its ecological significance, the Rwenzori range is of immense cultural value to the local Bakonzo people. The mountains are considered sacred, with deep spiritual connections reflected in their cultural traditions and daily life. Visitors have the chance to explore the interwoven relationship between the Bakonzo and their natural surroundings, gaining insight into a lifestyle that has been sustained through respect for nature.

Queen Elizabeth National Park: Uganda's Wildlife Haven

Kasese is also home to a significant part of Queen Elizabeth National Park, Uganda's most visited national park. The park's landscape is diverse, featuring open savannahs, wetlands, and lush tropical forests, which support an array of wildlife. With over 95 mammal species and 600 bird species, the park is a top destination for wildlife enthusiasts.

One of the park's unique features is its population of tree-climbing lions, found in the Ishasha sector. These rare lions, often seen perched in fig trees,

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are a major draw for tourists. The park's Kazinga Channel also offers a stunning boat cruise where visitors can witness hippos, crocodiles, elephants, and diverse birdlife. Beyond wildlife, the park allows tourists to interact with local communities, learning about traditional music, dance, and handicrafts from the Bakiga and Banyankole peoples.

Cultural Tourism: A rich heritage

Kasese's tourism appeal is not limited to its natural wonders; the district also offers a vibrant cultural experience. The Bakonzo people, who reside in the region, have maintained their traditional way of life for generations, deeply connecting their cultural identity to the natural landscape. Visitors are welcomed into villages to participate in cultural rituals, learn about medicinal plant usage, and explore sustainable farming

practices.

The annual Rwenzori Cultural Festival celebrates the rich heritage of the Bakonzo, providing tourists with a deep understanding of the region's history. This type of cultural tourism not only enhances the visitor experience but fosters cross-cultural exchanges that promote peace and understanding. Such efforts are directly in line with the 2024 World Tourism Day theme of "Tourism and Peace."

Tourism as a driver of peace and sustainability

This year's theme, "Tourism and Peace," underscores tourism's potential to foster peaceful coexistence and drive sustainable development. In Kasese, tourism has been a critical tool for promoting peace, particularly in a region

that has experienced instability in the past due to conflicts between local communities and armed groups.

As more tourists visit Kasese, they not only bring economic benefits to the region but also contribute to peace building efforts. Tourism fosters cooperation between communities and encourages the preservation of local culture and natural resources. This economic boost has allowed local businesses to thrive, contributing to infrastructure development, improved healthcare, and education services.

In particular, eco-tourism initiatives have been pivotal in conservation efforts, ensuring that the natural beauty of Kasese, from the Rwenzori Mountains to Queen Elizabeth National Park, remains protected for future generations. By investing in tourism, Uganda is not only enhancing its global profile but creating sustainable livelihoods for its people.



National parks and the local community, a symbiotic relationship

Tourism is a vital economic pillar in Uganda, employing 6% of the workforce. Notably, 20% of revenue generated from national parks is funneled back into the surrounding communities. This model highlights the mutually beneficial relationship between tourism and local development.

The Explore Rwenzori campaign, an initiative designed to promote tourism in the region, has also been a significant contributor to Kasese's tourism revival. As part of the campaign, all registered participants are granted free access to the region's national parks during World Tourism Month. This initiative encourages both domestic and international tourism,



promoting Uganda's hidden gems to a broader audience.

Uganda's hidden treasures beyond Kasese

While Kasese takes the spotlight for World Tourism Day 2024, Uganda's tourism diversity extends far beyond the region. Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, located further south, is one of

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the country's most famous destinations, particularly for gorilla trekking. Home to half of the world's remaining mountain gorillas, Bwindi offers a unique opportunity for visitors to see these majestic creatures up close.

In the north, Murchison Falls National Park provides an entirely different adventure. The park is known for the dramatic Murchison Falls, where the Nile River plunges through a narrow gorge before cascading into the river below. Visitors can enjoy a mix of game drives, boat cruises, and the chance to see the "Big Five" in this expansive park.

For urban tourism, Uganda's capital, Kampala, offers a dynamic blend of modern culture and historical sites. The city is a hub for business, conferences, and events, attracting visitors from all over the world, while also showcasing Uganda's rich cultural heritage through its markets, arts, and music scene.

The future of Uganda's tourism

Beyond the Tourism Day 2024 celebrations draw, Uganda still holds unachieved dreams in her tourism endeavours. With diverse offerings ranging from the snow-capped peaks of the Rwenzori's to the bustling streets of Kampala, Uganda is positioning itself as a top global travel destination.

The theme of "Tourism and Peace" resonates deeply in a country where tourism is not only a driver of economic growth but also a catalyst for peace, cultural understanding, and environmental sustainability. Uganda's tourism industry, much like the resilience of its people, has weathered the storms of the past few years and is now poised for a brighter future.

As Uganda invites the world to **#ExploreRwenzori** and **#ExploreUganda**, the message is clear: this is a nation with much to offer, and tourism will continue to play a fundamental role in shaping its future.



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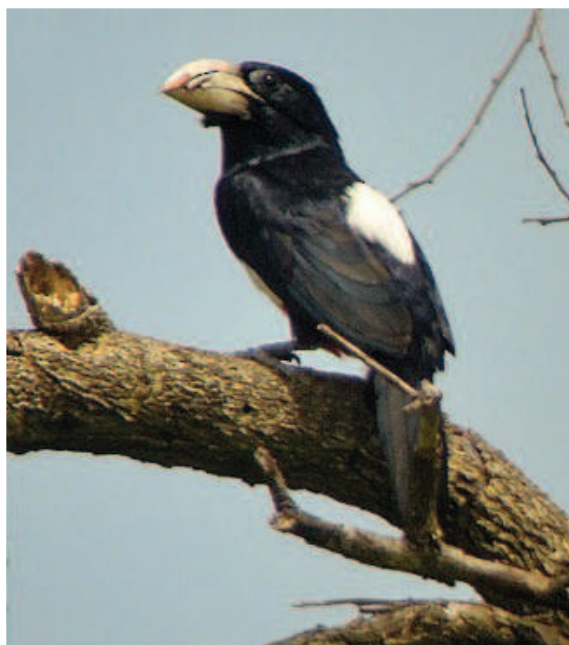
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Africa's Premier Birding Destination

The top ten Birds not to
miss on your tour

The entire continent of Africa is home to 2500 bird species of which almost half the number is found in the Pearl of Africa. Uganda is known as Africa's premier birding destination with the list of birds found in the country being over 1 061! Many of these birds live only in these tropical forests with rare sightings being described as "mythical" while it is believed that some of the birds living in the remote forests of Uganda may not even be classified as of yet!

This beautiful country must be on any birders bucket list and this is our list of the top 10 birds to see in Uganda.



Black-breasted Barbet

The giant Black-breasted Barbet has been seen by very few individuals and is highly sought after by bird watchers. Unfortunately, it tends to live in areas of conflict and so it is rarely seen by tourists to this region with Uganda being one of the safest regions to possibly catch a glimpse of this magnificent bird.

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Great Blue Turaco

The Great Blue Turaco and White-crested Turaco are some of the largest, most exquisite birds found in Uganda. These birds are actively hunted as their meat and feathers are highly sought after commodities.

Shoebill

The Shoebill is endemic to Africa and birders from around the globe flock to Uganda to catch a rare glimpse of this clumsy giant. For a long time, this bird was not protected and its eggs were frequently stolen from nests until the Uganda Bird Guide Club's efforts succeeded in making it illegal to trap these birds and steal their eggs.



Green-breasted Pitta

The Green-breasted Pitta is a difficult bird to find despite its relatively common status in the central African countries. It lives, well camouflaged, in the lowland tropical forests and photographing one of these little-guys is a bird lovers dream.



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African Green Broadbill

The vivid colors of this eye-catching bird can only be seen in two places in the world – The Itombwe Mountains in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda's Bwindi Forest. The species is declining due to loss of its habitat from forest clearing and degradation.

Shelley's Crimsonwing

Undoubtedly one of the world's rarest birds, Shelley's Crimson-wing can be found on most bird-bucket lists. They live in a thin strip of mountains and volcanoes – known as the Albertine Rift – that borders Uganda, Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Photos of these beauties in the wild are almost non-existent, in fact, this is the only known photo of this elusive beauty.



Short-tailed Warbler

The Short-tailed Warbler can be found primarily in Uganda's forest undergrowth while the forests of the Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda are also home to this camouflaged species.

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Standard-winged Nightjar

This picturesque bird is characterized by the central flight feathers that appear during breeding season on the males. Raised vertically during display, it is a dream come true to see these birds during this short time span when their feathers can stretch up to 38cm in length.



Doherty's Bushshrike

Found in the subtropical montane forests and moist shrub-lands of central Africa these brightly-colored birds are one of the more common birds seen in Uganda and thankfully, their population levels seem to be stable for the most part.



Bar-tailed Trogon

This beautiful medium-sized bird lives in high altitude forests and has a large range throughout central and southern Africa although it is rarely seen.





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The Uganda Civil Aviation Authority wishes the people of Uganda and the entire Tourism fraternity a happy World Tourism Day. Uganda Civil Aviation Authority will continue to support the growth and development of Tourism in Uganda.

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The Authority will, with other stakeholders in the tourism sector continue to support the promotion of Uganda as tourist destination. It will also continue to:

- Provide support to various Tourism sites in Uganda.
- Support the training of Tourism service providers.
- Joint stakeholders' engagement in promoting Uganda's Tourism potential.
- Maintain and upgrade regional aerodromes, especially those in Tourism areas like Kidepo, Pakuba, Gulu, Kisoro, Mbarara among others.



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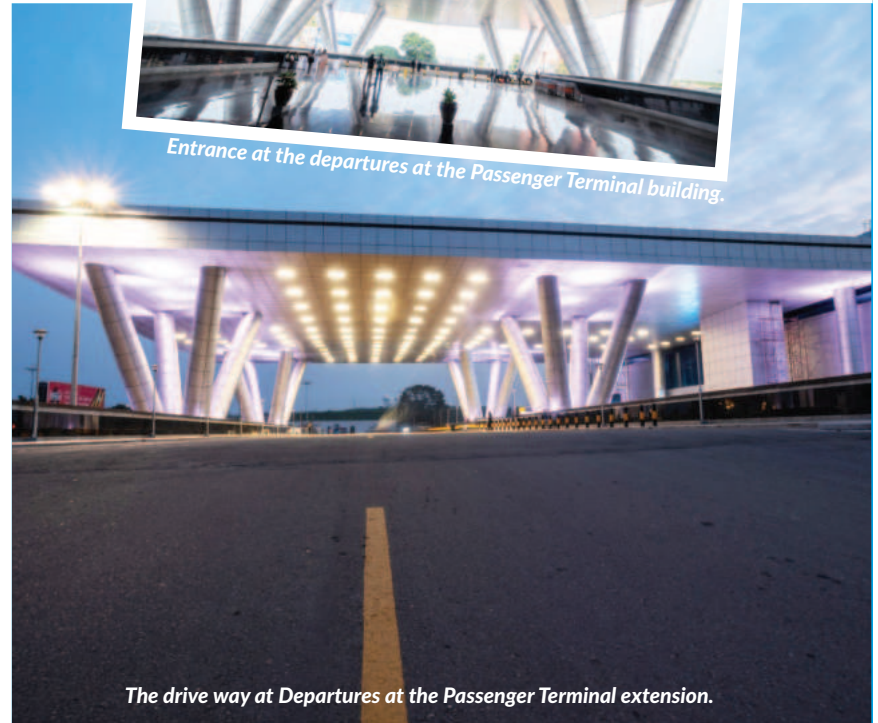
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bookings to be done through companies licensed and registered by Uganda Tourism Board.

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This is precisely why Uganda Wildlife Authority rolled out convenient cashless payment systems relating to payment for National Park entry across the country and other products and services within. It should be noted that no cash is accepted at the park gates. In order to ease transactions, the following payment options are now fully available;

Mobile Money

Mobile Money transactions are available through airtel money pay and MTN Momo pay. We look forward to serving you better as you enjoy the beauty of the protected areas of Uganda.

Point Of Sale Machine (POS)

The POS machines are positioned at each gate. Payments can be done through direct payment from the cards. On the POS machine there is an option to transact by use of mobile money from the client's phone. This option is only available on the ABSA POS machine and will attract a charge of 0.075% of the transaction value and the transaction will be effected off the POS machine.

Direct Bank Deposits

We have partnered with various banks where bank deposits for UWA services can be made through Direct Bank Deposits or transfers. Clients are advised to make bank payments based on the most current UWA tariffs for all activities they wish to undertake and present the bank pay slips at the gate for receipting.

Our Bank partners



ABSA		
Account Name	Account Number	Currency
Uganda Wildlife Authority	6006760021	UGX
Uganda Wildlife Authority	344020914	USD

STANBIC BANK		
Account Name	Account Number	Currency
UWA Collections	9030006237338	UGX
Uganda Wildlife Authority	9030008172993	USD

CENTENARY BANK		
Account Name	Account Number	Currency
UWA Collections	3110400021	UGX

CITI BANK		
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Account Name	Account Number	Currency
Uganda Wildlife Authority	100160021	UGX
Uganda Wildlife Authority	100160064	USD

The Online Payment System

This can be accessed through the UWA website <https://www.ugandawildlife.org/>. the online payment system can accept cards in Uganda Shillings (UGX) and US Dollars (USD). Once the payment is completed, a receipt is auto generated from the portal and sent to your email detailing the activities and the park of choice. One is required to present the auto generated receipt at the gate for an official receipt from the park accounts system.



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Theme: **Tourism and Peace**

The Board of Directors, Management and Staff of the **Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control** join the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities and all Ugandans celebrate the Annual International Tourism Day on 27th September, 2024.

We pledge to continue supporting the Tourism Sector by being the model of excellence in Immigration services.

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DIRECTORATE OF CITIZENSHIP
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Ms Nakiwala Arithea, Senior Immigration Officer (PRO) gives an insight about the Directorate

Background and establishment

This Institution is established as per the Constitution of Uganda under the Ministry of Internal Affairs. Primarily designated to provide immigration services to the people of Uganda as well as to foreigners visiting the country, the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control was formed under the Uganda Citizenship and Immigration Control Act, 2006. This Act amended Cap 66 to transmute the Office of Commissioner for Immigration into the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control. The Directorate operates under the leadership of the Director for Citizenship and Immigration Control whose duty is to facilitate the implementation of the policies, goals and objectives as approved by the Board of Directors and also as mandated per the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda.

Administrative Strategy

As an Institution, we strongly believe in creating an environment that is synonymous with efficiency in service delivery. In order to achieve this, the Directorate was segmented into the following three major departments each headed by a Commissioner;

Department of Immigration Control

This department is in charge of border management and issuance of immigration facilities to foreigners seeking to live and work in Uganda. Some of these

facilities include residence permits, passes and visas.

Department of Citizenship and Passports Control

DCPC handles matters pertaining to verification and processing of Ugandan citizenship as well as the administration of national travel documents such as passports among others.

Department of Inspection and Legal services

This department conducts investigations and prosecution of culpable individuals; providing legal advisory services within our jurisdiction as well as deportation of illegal immigrants from Uganda.

“Unlike the manual verification process which is prone to errors and subjective opinion, the Electronic-gate system is accurate and eliminates identification-failure related risks, saves time since its automated and therefore is cost effective among other benefits.”



Positive Impact

The E-gate System; (to be emphasized)

In order to enhance seamlessness in our processes we saw it fitting to introduce this system also referred to as Automated Border Control (ABC) system. E-gates are automated self-service barriers which are used to read or verify biometric data embedded within the passport chip to ensure it corresponds with the passport bearer or traveler.

Before the traveler is granted access he/she is required to; place the passport data-page under the scanner; look into the camera for a quick facial snap to allow the machine to scrutinize the identity by comparing the finger prints, iris, facial features, electronic visas (if one is traveling to one of those countries that require visa application) or any other data. Once data is captured and verified the passenger is then granted access to proceed with the journey.

Access may be denied due to discrepancy in data or in the case where a system malfunction has been detected. In either of the above

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scenarios, the officials are notified so as to take the necessary action. Unlike the manual verification process which is prone to errors and subjective opinion, the Electronic-gate system is accurate and eliminates identification-failure related risks, saves time since its automated and therefore is cost effective among other benefits.

The E-Immigration system

The introduction and application of the e-Immigration system in processing of the various immigration services has made work easier. Such services include but not limited to; border management which involves facilitation and regulation; processing and issuing of visas, passes and residence permits; processing and issuing national and regional travel documents; inspection, investigation prosecution and removal of illegal immigrants; verifying and processing of Ugandan citizenship; collection of non-Tax Revenue.

The e-Immigration system is deployed at our regional offices in Mbarara, Jinja, Mbale, Gulu. We have also been able to establish footprint in some of the major international cities including; Washington DC, Ottawa, Copenhagen, Beijing, London, Pretoria, Abu Dhabi. Therefore, such efforts have helped in improving our turnaround time through

Steps on how to use E-Gates to Self-Clear at Entebbe

1. Touch the screen.
2. Place your passport and scan it and hold it until the machine notifies you to remove the passport.
3. Identify if the scanned passport and the person in the system is yourself by clicking yes.
4. Select the flight used and the element of returning.
5. Proceed to look into the camera which is above the screen to match your facial features with the record in the ABC.
6. Finally, it will issue you a ticket to proceed to use at the e-gates. The gates open by scanning the barcode on the ticket and looking straight into the camera for facial capture.
7. And you are through!!!

bringing services closer to the people as well as creating convenience. We have been able to replace the old passport with the new international Electronic Passport. Therefore, our people are now able to travel to any part of the world without any disturbance. As part of the automation exercise we acquired offsite verification devices to assist in running our operations in real time. The devices are used to detect individuals in possession of expired visas and work permits and those who are irregularly deployed.

The easy access of our services through electronic means has led to influxes in terms of people visiting our country and this has translated into collection of higher revenues.

Streamlining of services has also boosted the Tourism Sector with more foreign travelers flying into the country for adventure and a thrilling experience within the Pearl of Africa.

We are aware that Tourism is one of the major economic pillars and a Sector with enormous opportunities therefore, any effort that is geared towards boosting it should be embraced. As such, we are always ready to contribute towards any activity that is aimed at bringing about economic transformation.

I wish all Ugandans a Happy International Tourism Day and I urge each one of us to be an Ambassador of Peace.





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Happy World Tourism Day

The Board of Directors, Management and Staff of
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Are we prepared to End AIDS as a Public Health threat by 2030?

In 2017 after the announcement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by the United Nations, H.E the President of Uganda, Yoweri Kaguta Museveni launched the Presidential Fast Track Initiative (PFTI) to end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030. The initiative has 5 pillars namely;

1. Engage men in HIV Prevention and close the tap on new infections particularly among adolescent girls and young women

Adolescent and Young Girls (15-24) are a target of interest given that HIV infections in this group are worryingly high. Of the 38,000 new infections registered in 2023, 12,000 of these were among adolescent girls and young women (15-24), 3000 of these were among males of the same age group.

Uganda has the highest rate of teenage pregnancy in Sub-Saharan Africa with over 24% pregnancies among teenagers registered every year. Child marriage and teenage pregnancy increase girls' risk to sexually transmitted diseases including HIV and AIDS, cervical cancer, Gender Based Violence, less years of school, persistent and enduring inequalities, social stigma and isolation.

Research has shown that completion of primary and secondary education is protective especially for girls. Staying longer in school protects them against early marriage, teenage pregnancy, early sexual debut, Gender Based Violence and HIV infection.

2. Accelerate Implementation of Test and Treat and attainment of the fast track 95-95-95 targets particularly among men and young people

Currently 92% of all people living with HIV know their status, 90% of those with HIV are on treatment and 94% of those on treatment are virally suppressed. However, we still have many people who are HIV positive and do not know their status. We therefore urge Ugandans to test for HIV and if negative, remain so. If positive, they are put on treatment which is available in health facilities across the country. These medicines, when taken as advised by the health worker, help to reduce on the amount of the virus in the body. This ensures that one does not fall ill often and can therefore lead a productive life.

3. Consolidate progress on elimination of mother to child transmission of HIV

The medicine that can prevent transmission of the HIV virus to an unborn child is available in the country and at no cost. However, 4,700 children are born with HIV every year. As a country, we need to put effort into ensuring all pregnant women attend antenatal care (ANC) early so that if one tests positive during the routine checkups, they are immediately started on medication to prevent transmission of HIV to the unborn child.

4. Ensure financial sustainability for the HIV and AIDS response

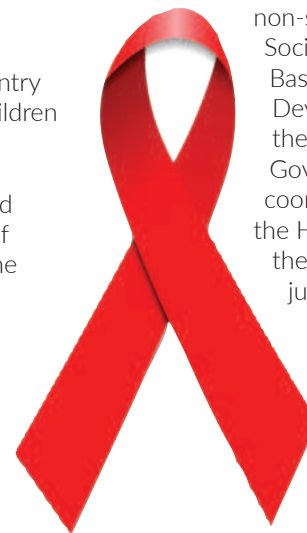
Government of Uganda funds the health sector. However, most of the funding for HIV is donor funding. In line with this, Ministry of Finance issued a circular to all Ministries, Departments and Agencies to allocate 0.1% of their budget to HIV. UAC developed a Resource Mobilization Strategy, which details how the private sector can be beneficial in domestic resource mobilization for the National HIV Resource. UAC is also in the process of finalising a Sustainability Roadmap as part of efforts to ensure financial sustainability of the response.

5. Ensure institutional effectiveness for a well-coordinated multi-sectoral response.

The Uganda AIDS Commission recognizes that the Government with multiplicity of stakeholders must lead the cornerstone for effective HIV response in Uganda.

This involves working with non-state actors like Civil Society Organizations, Faith Based Organizations, AIDS Development Partners and the Private Sector. The Local Governments take lead in coordinating and guiding all the HIV interventions within their respective areas of jurisdiction. This ensures local prioritization and ownership of the response.

Ending AIDS as a public health threat is possible.



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Congratulations

Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) would like to extend our warmest congratulations to the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities (MTWA) on its 4th edition of the Pearl of Africa Magazine published on World Tourism Day under the theme: **Tourism and Peace.**



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Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH):

Two Decades of Transformative Conservation and Eco-Tourism



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Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) is a grassroots NGO founded in 2003 that promotes biodiversity conservation by enabling people to coexist with Gorillas and other wildlife through improving the health of people and animals, as well as community livelihoods, in and around protected areas in Africa. CTPH works closely with the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife, and Antiquities (MTWA) and organizations under its umbrella, including the Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA), Uganda Wildlife Conservation Education Centre (UWEC), Uganda Tourism Board (UTB), and the Chimpanzee Trust. CTPH greatly values the support and partnership with these organizations.

Over the past 20 years, Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) has become a beacon of hope for wildlife conservation and community health in Uganda and beyond. Founded by a pioneering wildlife veterinarian and passionate conservationist, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka, together with Mr. Lawrence Zikusoka and Mr. Stephen Rubanga. While working as the first veterinary officer at Uganda Wildlife Authority, she led a team that investigated a fatal scabies disease outbreak in the then critically endangered mountain for that was traced to people living around the park. CTPH has spearheaded efforts to protect the endangered mountain gorillas and other wildlife through monitoring their health while improving the health and livelihoods of the communities living alongside them. This integrated "One Health" approach has not only revolutionized conservation but also strengthened Uganda's tourism industry, particularly in the ecotourism sector.

A Visionary Beginning

In 2003, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka, along with Mr. Lawrence Zikusoka and Mr. Stephen Rubanga, founded Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) with the goal of integrating conservation and public health to enhance the welfare of both human and wildlife communities living in and around protected areas. Recognizing the intricate link between human health and wildlife conservation, they aimed to address the root causes of human-wildlife conflicts, such as disease transmission and poverty, which were threatening the survival of endangered species like the mountain gorillas in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park.



(Dr. Gladys carrying out surgery on a Kahara, a six-year-old mountain gorilla in Bwindi Impenetrable National Park that developed a rectal prolapse.)

Integrated Conservation and Public Health Programs

One of CTPH's most notable achievements is its innovative approach to conservation, which seamlessly integrates wildlife health monitoring with community health and development programs. These initiatives improve the wellbeing of communities and provide them with alternative livelihoods, reducing their dependence on the forest as a

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primary source of income.

In the past, many people relied on the forest for activities like fuelwood collection, which led to habitat destruction and poaching. However, CTPH has transformed this dynamic by promoting sustainable coffee farming. By teaching best practices in coffee cultivation including providing shade tree seedlings for the coffee, and processing and purchasing the harvested coffee at above-market prices, CTPH has successfully encouraged the community to shift away from activities that harm the forest including poaching and fuelwood collection.



Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka with Gorilla Conservation Coffee lead farmers in subcounties bordering Bwindi Impenetrable National Park

CTPH's work at Bwindi has been particularly impactful. By offering healthcare services and education to communities near wildlife habitats, the organization has significantly reduced the risk of zoonotic disease transmission between humans and animals. This integrated approach not only protects endangered species but also improves the overall health and well-being of local populations.



CTPH Village Health and Conservation Teams in the field

A key component of this success is the moral and tireless efforts

put in by Village Health and Conservation Teams (VHCTs), a Ministry of Health community-led initiative where local volunteers are trained to provide basic health services and CTPH has trained them to integrate this with conservation education. This program has empowered communities to take ownership of their health and the preservation of their natural resources, resulting in a significant decrease in poaching and habitat destruction.

Boosting Ecotourism and Sustainable Development

The success of CTPH's programs has had a profound impact on Uganda's tourism industry. By helping to ensure the health and stability of wildlife populations, particularly the endangered mountain gorillas, CTPH has helped to boost ecotourism in Uganda. Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, home to 43% of the world's mountain gorillas, has become a top destination for tourists seeking unique wildlife experiences. The revenue generated from gorilla trekking permits and other tourism activities has not only supported conservation efforts but also provided vital income for local communities.



Tourists trekking Gorillas with Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka

Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka's work has also been instrumental in promoting sustainable tourism practices. CTPH collaborates with Uganda Tourism Board, local and international tour operators to ensure that tourism activities are conducted in a manner that minimizes environmental impact and maximizes benefits for local communities. This has included training tour companies in responsible wildlife viewing practices and supporting community-based tourism enterprises that offer visitors authentic cultural experiences.

Global Recognition and Impact

CTPH's integrated approach to conservation and public health has gained international recognition, earning numerous awards and accolades for its innovative model. Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka has been honoured with several prestigious awards, including the Whitley Gold Award and United Nations Champion of the Earth Award in Science and Innovation for her outstanding contribution to conservation. Her work has also been featured in global media outlets, raising awareness of the critical connection between conservation, public health, and sustainable development.

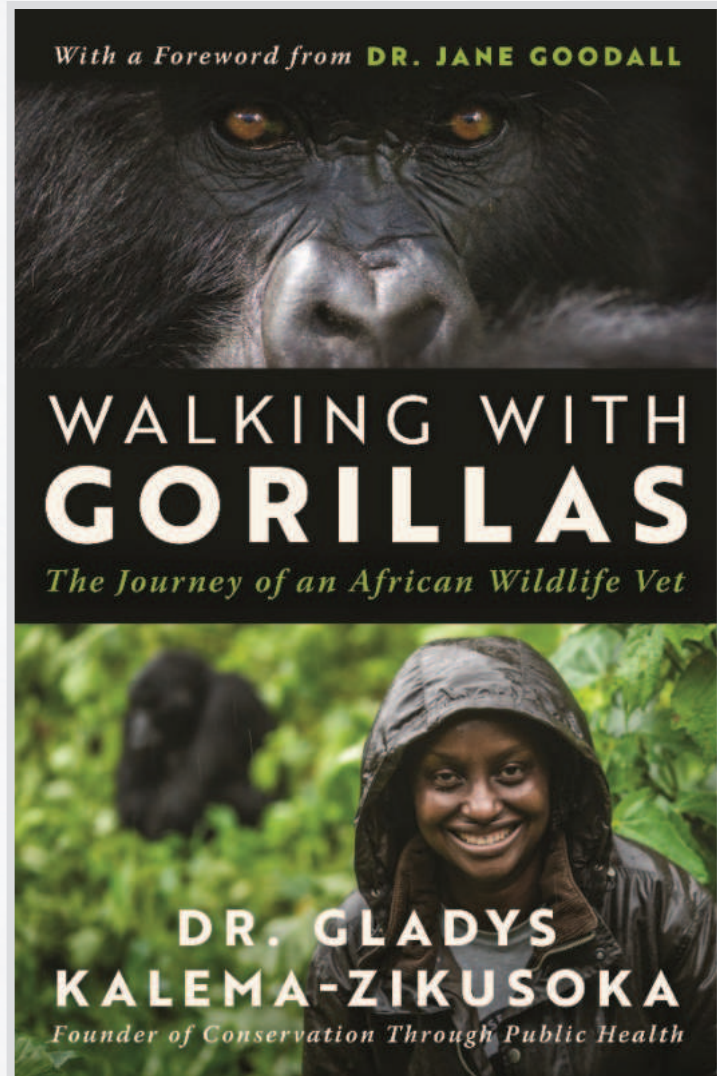


Dr. Gladys receiving the 2022 Edinburgh Medal for Science and Humanity

Beyond Uganda, CTPH's model has inspired similar initiatives in other parts of Africa and the world. Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka has shared her expertise with conservationists, veterinarians, health professionals, and policymakers globally, advocating for a holistic approach to wildlife conservation that includes the health and well-being of local communities.

Walking With Gorillas: The Inspiring Journey of Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka

Walking With Gorillas is an extraordinary memoir written by Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka, a trailblazer in wildlife conservation and Uganda's first wildlife veterinarian. In this deeply personal account, Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka shares her remarkable journey of working with mountain gorillas, her pioneering efforts in conservation, and her leadership in integrating wildlife health with public health. The book offers readers an intimate look at the challenges and triumphs of protecting endangered species, while also highlighting her dedication to improving the lives of local communities living near wildlife habitats.



Walking With Gorillas is available in all major bookstores in Uganda, Amazon and several book outlets Worldwide)

Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka's story is not just about conservation, but also about resilience, innovation, and the importance of fostering a deep connection between people and nature. Her work with mountain gorillas in Uganda has been groundbreaking, and Walking With Gorillas is a testament to her passion and commitment to preserving the natural world for future generations.

Walking With Gorillas is available at several locations across Uganda, including Aristoc Bookstore, Mahiri Books, Uganda Bookshop, CTPH Headquarters, Gorilla Conservation Café in Entebbe, Duty-Free Shop at Entebbe International Airport and Gorilla Conservation Camp at Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. For international readers, Walking With Gorillas can be purchased online through major retailers such as; Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Waterstones, Blackwells, and Heffers. The book is available in the USA, UK, and other selected bookstores worldwide, <https://linktr.ee/dr.gladys> making it accessible to a global audience eager to learn more about wildlife conservation and Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka's inspiring journey.

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CTPH's Social Enterprises

Conservation Through Public Health has established social enterprises including the Gorilla Conservation Camp and Gorilla Conservation Coffee to address the intertwined challenges of wildlife conservation and community development.

Gorilla Conservation Camp

The Gorilla Conservation Camp, operated by Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH), is located in the Buhoma sector of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. This camp serves as a vital hub for tourists, researchers, and students, offering an immersive experience in gorilla tracking and the study of mountain gorillas and community conservation. Beyond its role as a base for exploration, the camp provides visitors with unique insights into CTPH's conservation efforts, including opportunities for volunteering. The camp's proximity to the Gorilla Health and Community Conservation Centre allows visitors to engage deeply with CTPH's mission, fostering a greater understanding of the critical work being done to protect endangered mountain gorillas and support local communities.



Rooms at Gorilla Conservation Camp are named after Gorilla Groups in Bwindi - Photo by Nick Penny

The Gorilla Conservation Camp not only supports ecotourism but also plays a crucial role in raising awareness about wildlife conservation. By connecting visitors directly with the natural environment and conservation activities, the camp helps generate support and funding for ongoing efforts to protect mountain gorillas and their habitats.

Gorilla Conservation Coffee

Established in 2015, Gorilla Conservation Coffee is a social enterprise initiated by CTPH to protect the habitat of endangered mountain gorillas by promoting sustainable livelihoods for local communities. The enterprise sources premium and specialty Arabica coffee directly from farmers living near Bwindi

Impenetrable National Park, paying above-market prices. This initiative reduces the need for locals to encroach on the forest, thereby safeguarding the gorillas' habitat. A portion of the proceeds from coffee sales is directed back to CTPH, supporting their community health, gorilla health and conservation education programs. The enterprise also operates the Gorilla Conservation Café in Entebbe, a destination where visitors can learn about and support gorilla conservation while enjoying traceable high-quality coffee.



(Kanyonyi coffee is available at Farm To Table – Tank hill, Kampala, Ark Organics Kololo, Gorilla Conservation Cafe – Entebbe, Entebbe Duty Free)

Gorilla Conservation Coffee serves as a powerful tool in conservation, offering a sustainable alternative to activities that harm gorilla habitats. By supporting local farmers and generating funds for conservation, the enterprise directly contributes to the protection of mountain gorillas while fostering a positive relationship between local communities and their environment.

A Legacy of Hope and Sustainability

One year after CTPH celebrated its 20th anniversary, the organization remains at the forefront of conservation efforts in Uganda. Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka's vision and leadership have demonstrated that conservation and public health are inextricably linked, and that protecting wildlife is not only about preserving biodiversity but also about ensuring the health and prosperity of the people who live alongside it.

The next 20 years promise even greater achievements for CTPH as it continues to expand its programs, reach new communities, and inspire a global movement toward integrated conservation and sustainable tourism. As Uganda's Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife, and Antiquities works to promote the country's rich natural heritage, the work of Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka and CTPH will undoubtedly remain a cornerstone of Uganda's conservation success story.

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Tourism Day Celebrations



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The International Tourism Day 27th September, 2023 Celebrations in Hoima District

The International Tourism Day is an annual event that is celebrated across the world under different themes. The 2023 celebrations orchestrated by the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities under the theme 'Tourism and Green Investments' took place in Hoima district. The event whose objective is to boost domestic tourism, attracts tens of thousands of participants from all sectors including but not limited to; Agriculture, Trade & Industry, Education and Sports, Hotels & Resorts, Tours and Travel agencies, Fashion designers, Cultural groups, Financial institutions.

To grace the occasion was, Hon. Robinah Nabbanja, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda. The Prime Minister who was highly spirited urged Ugandans and all stakeholders to continue exploring the various opportunities in the tourism sector for socio-economic transformation, and to take it upon themselves to promote Domestic tourism which can be a great source of revenue through collective effort. Other dignitaries included the Minister for Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities, Hon. Col. (Rtd) Tom R. Butime, Minister of State Hon. Martin Mugarra Bahinduka, Uganda Tourism Board Chairman, Hon. Daudi Migereko, Uganda Tourism Board Chief Executive Officer Dr. Lilly Ajarova.

Landmark Magazine Ltd, a media house in charge of publishing the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities Official International Tourism Day magazine 'The Pearl of Africa', was in attendance to cover the event.



Minister for Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities, Hon. Col.(Rtd) Tom R. Butime addressing the guest during the World Tourism Day Celebrations 2023 in Hoima district.





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Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Trust (BMCT)



Theme; Tourism and Peace

The Management and Staff of Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Trust (BMCT) wish to congratulate the Ministry of Tourism Wildlife and Antiquities and all Ugandans upon the International Tourism Day 2024.

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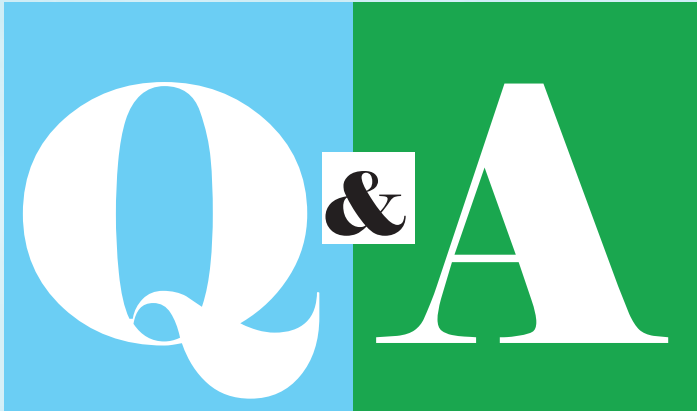
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Q Give a brief background about Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Trust in terms of formation, structure, and mandate.

A Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Trust (BMCT) was established under the Uganda Trust Act in March 1994 as a registered Conservation Trust mandated to work in a radius of two parishes surrounding Mgahinga Gorilla National Park (MGNP) and Bwindi Impenetrable National Park (BINP), also referred to as Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Area (BMCA). The area of operation is located in southwestern Uganda, bordering the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Rwanda with operational headquarters in Kabale at Bwindi Trust

BMCT intervention in collaboration with other stakeholders such as Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) and Greater Virunga Transboundary Collaboration (GVTC), contributed to the increase in the population of mountain gorillas.

House and a sub-office in Kampala. BMCT is managed by the Trust Administrative Unit (TAU) under the supervision of the Trust Management Board (TMB). TMB members are appointed by the Minister of Tourism Wildlife & Antiquities.

BMCT, therefore, got its initial funding from the Global Environment Facility fund (GEF) through the World Bank to conserve the ecosystem and biodiversity of two important resource bases in Uganda, Mgahinga

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Mr. Tumwesigye Wilberforce (CEO-BMCT) handing over a certificate of gratitude to Carlos Manuel Rodrigues (CEO/Chairman GEF) in USA-Washington DC, Jan 2024.



Gorilla National Park (MGNP) and Bwindi Impenetrable National Park (BINP). The Government of Uganda and GEF, with encouragement from USAID and conservation NGOs, set up the Trust to provide a flow of funds and technical assistance to local communities to demonstrate tangible benefits from the conservation of these protected areas.

The initial GEF grant of 4 million US dollars to BMCT was in the form of an endowment fund aimed at:

- a) Funding community development activities that are consistent with conservation to improve the livelihoods of households in the radius of two parishes adjacent to Mgahinga and Bwindi National Parks.
- b) Funding research activities to provide

data for improving park management and Park/community interactions,

- c) Funding park management activities to maintain clear boundaries and improve control of problem animals.

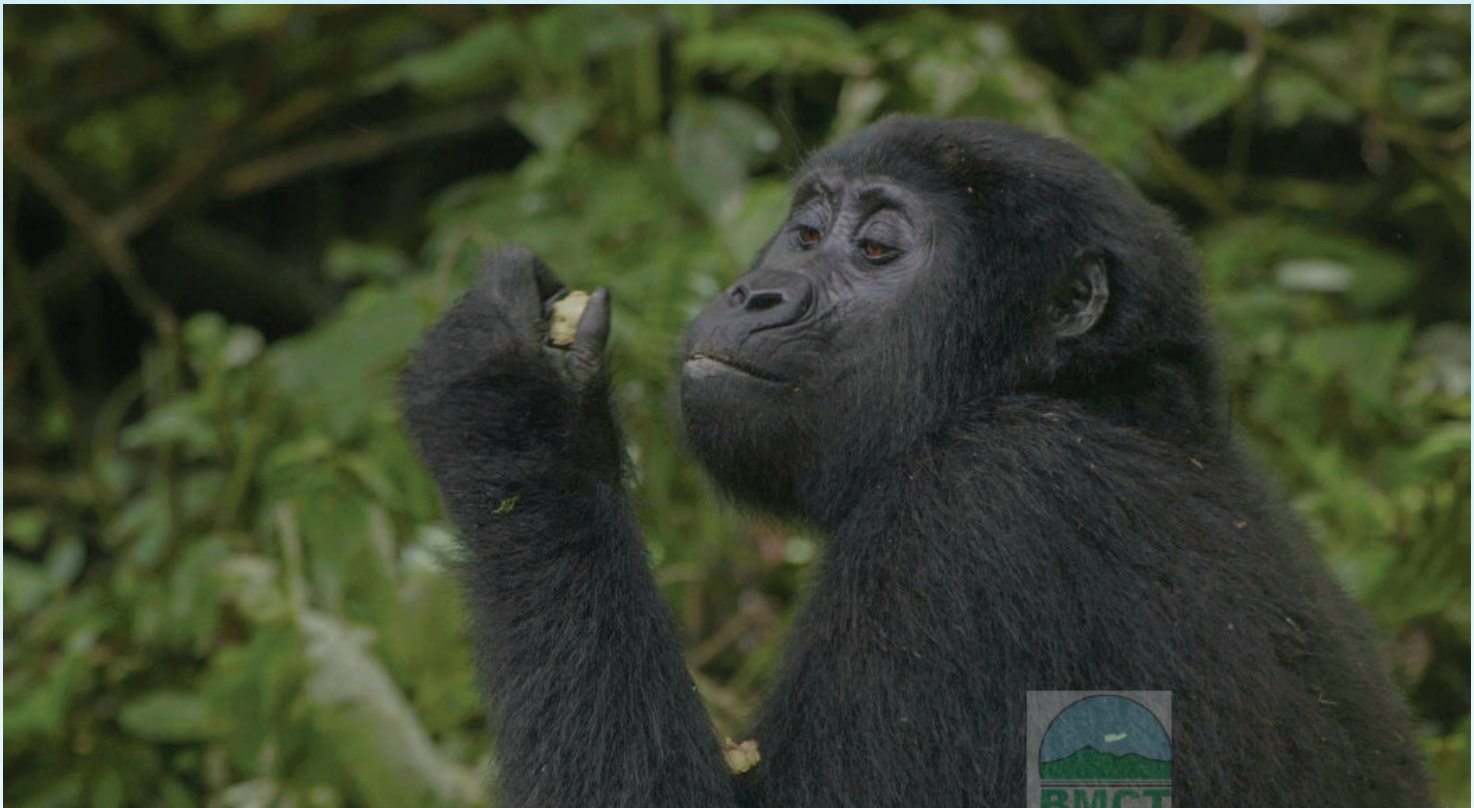
Q BMCT has been in existence for the last 30 years, how would you describe this journey?

A A journey of 30 years in conservation is not a mini achievement. Let me just consider only the number of Mountain Gorillas that are central to tourism attractions in the Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Area (BMCA). The size of the conservation area stayed stable at 658 km², whereas before the BMCT intervention, deforestation and illegal forest resource harvesting were very high. If this was not controlled, today we wouldn't be talking of

Mountain Gorillas.

BMCT intervention in collaboration with other stakeholders such as Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) and Greater Virunga Transboundary Collaboration (GVTC), contributed to the increase in the population of mountain gorillas. In the 2011 Gorilla Census, there were 880 gorillas in BMCA.

In the Bwindi and Sarambwe ecosystem alone it is estimated that there are about 459 Gorillas (source; Census of population of mountain gorillas, GVTC December 2019). By protecting the gorilla habitat, the protection of numerous other species such as buffalos, baboons, and many bird species was ensured. The diverse biodiversity in BMCA is a reason for many tourists and hence increased revenue from tourism.



Q How has BMCT positively impacted the livelihoods of the residents around your area of jurisdiction for the past 30 years?

A BMCT is now a brand in the world for contributing towards the

conservation of Bwindi and Mgahinga as habitats for the Mountain Gorillas. The land around Bwindi gained value because of many tourists who come and occupy executive hotels by Ugandan investors. The tourist numbers have a trickle-down effect because they buy

products such as handcrafts, food items (honey, etc.), and entertainment from the indigenous Batwa. BMCT supports numerous livelihood enterprises such as beekeeping, rotational heifer projects, piggery, and Irish potato among community groups.



Left: Mgahinga Turambe Association who were supported with a knitting machine display products, Right: Mrs Tumusiime Peace received a heifer from BMCT

BMCT supports the resettling of the Pygmies (Batwa) with modest housing units in Kanyamahene in Rushaga, Kisoro District, and Kihembe in Kanyantoro Sub-county, Kunungu District. Currently, BMCT is sponsoring 56 Batwa pupils (26 boys and 30 girls) in primary schools, 6 students (4 boys and 2 girls) in secondary schools, and 8 (5 boys & 3 girls) in vocational institutions.

Conservation



Left: Batwa pupils receiving scholastic materials in Kisoro District witnessed by the RDC Right: Batwa settlement in Kihembe Kanungu District.

Q What are some of the lessons drawn from the 30 years' experience?

A Effective biodiversity conservation can best occur, if there are stakeholder engagements through multi-stakeholder platforms and networking, capacity building for different actors, information management/sharing & recognized feedback at various levels, There is also a need to develop and use incentives for community engagements living adjacent to protected areas to encourage them to understand the value and importance of Conservation, Furthermore, supported collaboration with development partners, private sector actors, and NGOs can foster mechanisms for sustainable community-owned conservation programs, Lastly, there is a need to document and share best practices, lessons, and experiences with various actors most especially policymakers to influence the prioritization of developing local budgets (i.e. sub-county, district, and national) for conservation efforts.

Q The world today is grappling with challenges such as environmental degradation, poaching and other human activities that affect biodiversity conservation. What is your take on this?

A All people on the planet Earth should appreciate and understand that conserving biodiversity is a key element for sustaining life and ensuring a healthy and prosperous future. Challenges such as environmental degradation, poaching, and other human activities should be addressed head-on because they have a direct effect on human life. Currently, the world gets frequent hazards like severe floods, extended droughts, and receding glaciers which interfere with the normal flow of human life. Basic conservation strategies such as tree planting, sustainable agriculture, conservation education, effective management of protected areas (PAs), and proper landscape management on mountain slopes should be prioritized

all through from the smallest unit-the family, village, society, and the entire world. All of us must work towards preserving our natural heritage and creating a more sustainable planet. Restoring the already lost biodiversity requires collective efforts from individuals, communities, governments, and international organizations for the benefit of current and future generations. Let me call upon all of us to embrace our responsibility as custodians of Earth's biodiversity and take action to secure a living planet.

Q Where do you see BMCT in the next 5-10 years?

A In the next 5-10 years, building on previous achievements and institutional capacity, BMCT will be a brand of Gorilla conservation organization not only in Bwindi Mgahinga Conservation Area (BMCA) but also in the whole of the Eastern African region. Besides, BMCT will be a partner of choice in biodiversity conservation nationally as well as globally.

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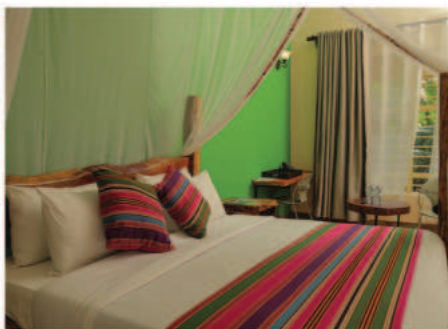
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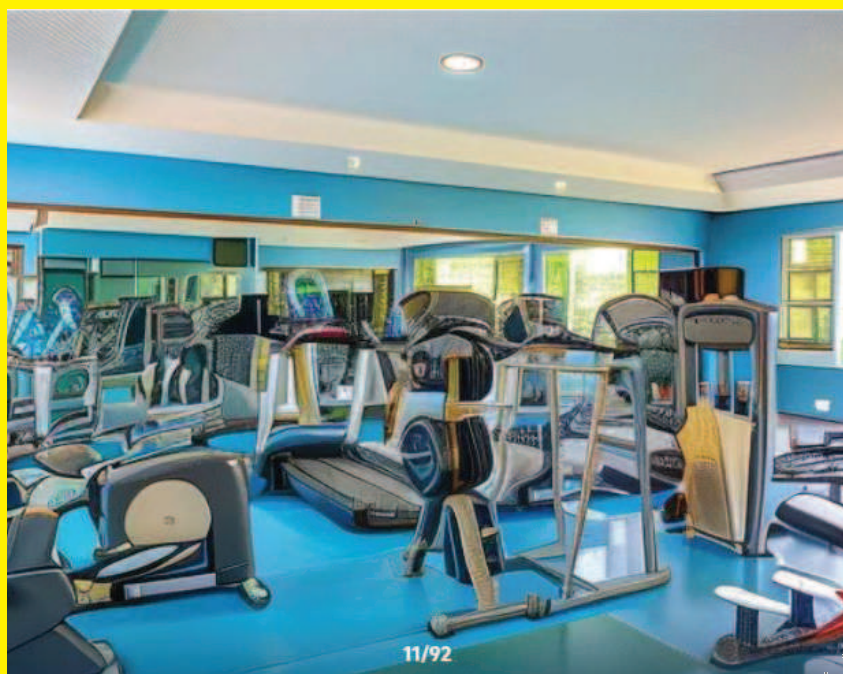
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Enhancement of Local Revenue Performance Through Automation

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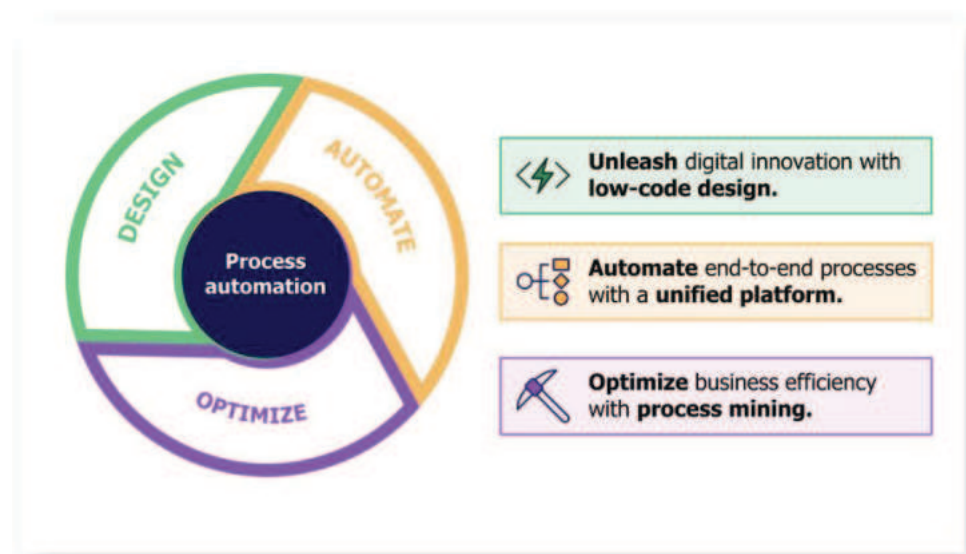
Local Revenue Mobilization

Revenue mobilization is at the core of NRM Manifesto 2026. It raises resources for services and development programs at the central and local government levels. Local governments largely depend on central government transfers, own-source revenues and donations to deliver the public services devolved to them in line with the decentralization policy.

The contribution of own-source revenues averages five percent, central government transfers 88 percent, and donations seven percent of Uganda's total local government budgets. This dismal performance of the own-source revenues creates a reliance on central government transfers, a significant proportion of which are conditional.

It, therefore, denies the local governments the discretion to allocate resources to meet their local needs and priorities.

The drive for local government own-source revenue enhancement is pertinent because following the creation of more local government units, the real value of central government transfers to these units cannot adequately provide capacity for effective and efficient delivery of services.



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Local Revenue Administration Automation

Uganda Government has identified digital transformation as one among the drivers of its 30-year vision of socially transforming Uganda's society from peasantry to modernity and prosperity by 2040. To this end, the interventions are the promotion of automation of

government processes and inter-agency connectivity.

It offers an opportunity to pursue digitalization and automation of revenue administration systems in local governments and overcome the challenges of poor own-source revenue mobilization.

Under the Uganda Public Financial Management Reform Strategy, the LGFC is leading in implementing revenue management automation systems in the local governments. This will reduce the cost of local revenue collection, improve transparency, reporting and

Feature

accountability, and increase local revenue collections.

In 2019, the LGFC engaged YOYA Technologies Limited, a Ugandan company, to support the development and rollout of the innovative local government revenue automation system; the Integrated Revenue Administration System (IRAS) that has been successfully piloted and rolled out to 166 local governments. Votes and currently rolling out the e- physical planning module in Kampala Capital City Authority .

Integrated Revenue Administration System (IRAS)

IRAS is a web-based and mobile application platform that Uganda Government implements, led by LGFC. It is supported by the World Bank, to aid local governments in local revenue collection.

Other development partners in this respect are the European Union (EU) and the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF). With funding from the Resource Enhancement and Accountability Program (REAP) under Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development, the rollout of IRAS covered nearly the entire local government votes. Hosted by the LGFC, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development/IFMS servers, it has automated the spectrum of local revenue administration processes and integrated with URA (E-tax system) NIRA,URSB systems.

The IRAS has capabilities that support local governments' revenue enhancement to overcome some of the persistent challenges to local revenue administration. The system facilities:

- i. Automatic assessment/billing of taxpayers,

- ii. Central storage of the taxpayers' databases,
- iii. Direct payment of revenues to the local government accounts in the consolidated fund.
- iv. Real-time tracking of payments, reconciliations and reports,
- v. Access by authorized users anywhere anytime,
- vi. Several payment options because of integration with platforms like mobile apps, and Point of Sale Services among others.

The system is continuously updated to meet a variety of local government revenue mobilization needs.

IRAS Implementation Achievements

Revenue Collection Automation in 166 Local Government votes

In three years, the system has been rolled out to 135 districts, 9 cities and

Kidepo National Park



twenty two municipal councils.

The LGFC plans to roll out the system to all local governments this financial year. Local Government revenue totaling UGX 191bn has been collected using the automated system.

Establishment of Comprehensive Taxpayer Registers.

In a period of three years, 1,340,000 tax-payers have been registered using the IRAS, a process that ensures comprehensive taxpayer data capture. In all the participating local governments, taxpayer registers are readily available to facilitate statutory reporting and other decision-making initiatives including revenue mobilization.

Computer Aided Property Valuation (eValuation)

Following the development of eValuation module under IRAS, Local Governments conduct Computer Aided Property Valuation. 154 local governments have utilized the module with remarkable benefits; since 2021.

Computer Aided Property Valuation integrated with GIS functionality, is therefore expected to improve the Municipal Council's revenues from property tax, given the huge improvement in the property rateable values.

Improved Staff Capacities

As part of the rollout exercise, staff have been trained and equipped with the system user and general computer application skills along with refresher training on the application of revenue administration processes.

IRAS Benefits

Local governments have registered some benefits through the application of the Integrated Revenue Administration System, as listed below:

- (a) **Improved governance and accountability** in local governments through real-time availability of reports on revenue performance parameters to support revenue performance monitoring, revenue-sharing and municipal budgeting

decision-making, and integration with other government systems e.g. the URA e-payment system, IFMS.

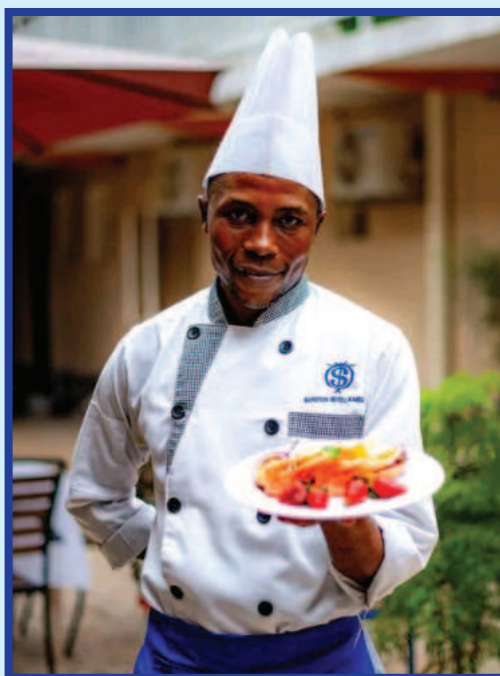
- (b) **Improved own-source revenues performance** due to timely revenue analysis and monitoring, voluntary compliance of taxpayers, and ease of settling obligations.
- (c) **Improved revenue service delivery** through elimination of bureaucracies, minimization of paper-work, and reduction in transaction time.
- (d) **Improved taxpayer confidence** arising from engagement with the local government through availability of feedback mechanisms and SMS notifications for any revenue-related transactions.
- (e) **Convenience to the taxpayers** through access of tax payment options and platforms, and flexibility to transact from anywhere, anytime.
- (f) **Elimination of revenue collection leakages** through standardization of tax assessments, and the ease of identifying of non-complaint taxpayers using system records.



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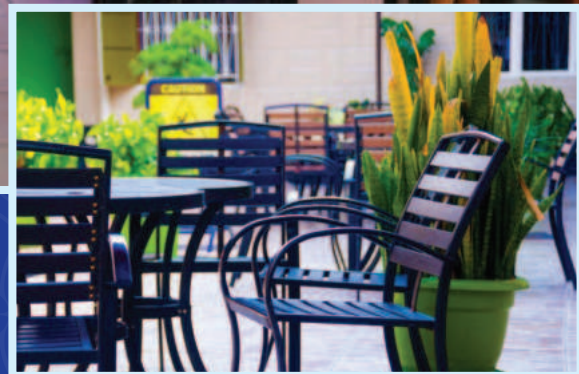
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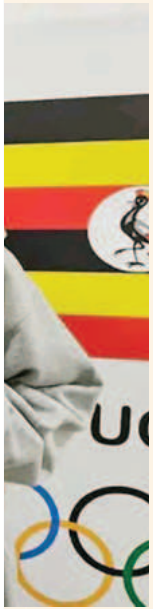
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Painting



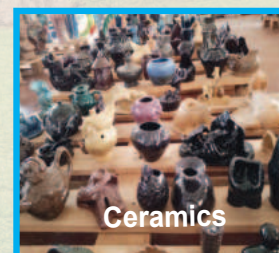
ART AND DESIGN



CREATIVE GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION
DESIGN



CREATIVE GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION
DESIGN



Ceramics

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In order to give adequate opportunity to all our prospective students including the deaf. The college admits students thrice in a year in **March** and **August**, For Higher Education Certificate Programme students are admitted in **May**.

Diploma Programme:

- Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) with at least **one (1) Principle Pass** and **two (2) Subsidiary Passes** obtained at the same sitting or its equivalent.
- A relevant Certificate from a recognized institution.

Certificate Programme

A Ugandan Certificate of Education (UCE) with a minimum of **three (3) passes** obtained at the same sitting or its equivalent.

Advanced Certificate Programme

A foundation Certificate of Education.

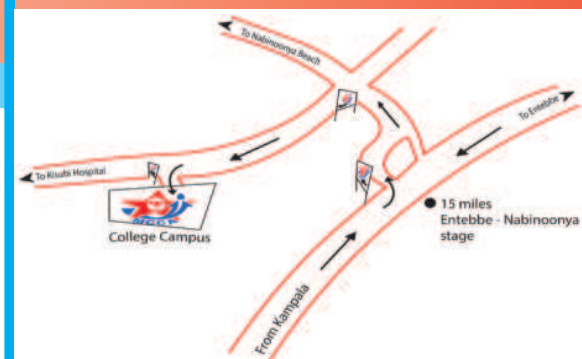
Foundation Certificate Programme

A Ugandan Certificate of Education (UCE) with **less than three (3) Passes** or P.L.E. OR any relevant Academic Qualification.

Higher Education Certificate Programme:

Ugandan Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) with **less than One (1) Principal Pass** and **two (2) Subsidiary passes** obtained at the same sitting or its equivalent.

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Background

MCCA was founded by the Banakaroori Brothers (Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga in the Year 1989 and was formally instituted in the year 1995. The college is registered by ministry of Education and Sports and and accredited by the National Council for Higher Education in Uganda with the Certificate of Classification and Registration. The college is located in Kisubi Mission Village 15 miles along Kampala - Entebbe Highway.

College Objectives

- To establish an institution of Art and Design where the youth can be trained to identify and develop their talent in various fields of Art and Design.
- To generate and motivate the spirit of self reliance by equipping trainees with the necessary knowlegde in Art and Design incorporating modern and indigenous craft.
- To encourage and assist trainees to develop a practice of team work and equip them with professional practice skills in marketing, project planning and management.

College Mission

To be a centre of Art and Design excellence by creating professionally and skilled personel/ artisans

College Vision

To contribute to the professionalization of art in Uganda and the world over by promoting Art and Design appropriately designed teaching programmes and research for sustained development.

College Goals:

- To promote and sensitise the public on art and design as a career in Uganda through training youth who have the the passion and ambition of engaging in profession practice after training.
- To develop a fully fledged art and design institution that can acommodate trainees from various academic levels who can ably pursue th offered programmes at the college.

Programmes Offered

1. DIPLOMA IN ART AND DESIGN (2 YEARS)

- History and Appreciation of Art
- Drawing
- Graphics
- Painting
- Textile Design
- Ceramics
- Sculpture
- Multimedia Crafts.
- Development Studies
- Marketing
- ICT Application
- Vocational Entrepreneurship
- Research in Art and Design
- Art Exhibition
- industrial Training
- Major Work Reaserch Project

2. DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE FASHION & TEXTILE DESIGN (2 YEARS)

- History of Fashion & Textile Design
- ICT Application
- General Drawing
- Creative Fashion Designing
- Tailoring & Garment Cutting
- Pattern Making
- Embroidery & Kneedle Work
- Knitting
- Research in Art & Design
- Textile Design
- Visual Arts
- Vocational Entrepreneurship
- Art Exhibition
- Industrial training

3. DIPLOMA IN CREATIVE GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION DESIGN (2 YEARS)

- General Drawing
- Graphics
- Digital Design
- Typography
- Visual Arts
- ICT Application
- Research in Art & Design
- Industrial Training
- Printing
- Mobile Apps design & Devpt
- Animation Design
- Advertising & corporate Design
- Web Design & Devpt
- Social Media & Digital Design
- Photography
- Art Exhibition

4. SHORT COURSES IN CREATIVE DESIGN SKILLS

- History and Appreciation of Art
- Drawing Skills
- Graphics Skills
- Painting Skills
- Textile Design Skills
- Ceramics Skills
- Sculpture Skills
- ICT Application Skills
- Multimedia Crafts Skills
- Creative Fashion design Skills
- Computer Graphics Skills.

5. FOUNDATION SKILLS COURSES (2 YEARS)

- Foundation Certificate in Art and Design Skills.
- Foundation Certificate in Creative Graphic Communication Design skills.
- Foundation Certificate in Creative Fashion & Textile Design Skills.
- Certificate in Creative graphic Communication Design Skills.
- Certificate in Creative Fashion & Textile Design Skills.
- Certificate in Art and Design
- Advanced Certificate in Art and Design Skills
- Advanced Certificate Creative Graphic Communication Design skills
- Advanced Certificate Creative Fashion & Textile Design Skills.

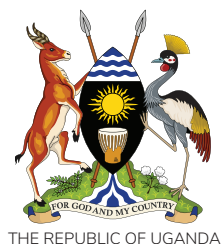
6. HIGHER EDUCATION CERTIFICATE (HEC) (1YEARS)

- Introduction to Development Studies
- Visual Arts Studies
- ICT Application/ Computing Skills
- Communication Skills
- Vocational Entrepreneurship Skills
- Foundation Mathematics
- Continual Field Practice
- Drawing Skills

FEES STRUCTURE

TUITION (NATIONALS) INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	DIPLOMA (2YEARS) 750,000/= (Per Semester) US \$500 (Per Semester)	CERTIFICATE (2 YEARS) 750,000/= (Per Semester) US \$500 (Per Semester)
	FUNCTIONAL FEES	
Development Fee (Per Year)	120,000/=	120,000/=
Identity Card (Once, Year 1 semester 1)	20,000/=	20,000/=
Guild fee (Per Semester)	30,000/=	30,000/=
Sanitation (Per Semester)	50,000/=	50,000/=
Registration Fee (Per Year)	50,000/=	50,000/=
Examination Fee (Per Semester)	50,000/=	50,000/=
ICT Fee (Per Semester)	40,000/=	40,000/=
Library Fee (Per Semester)	40,000/=	40,000/=
Foundation Body Fee (Per Semester)	30,000/=	30,000/=
Internship Fee (Once, Year 1 Semester 2)	100,000/=	100,000/=
Certificate Fee (Final Year)	30,000/=	30,000/=
Transcript Fee (Final Year)	30,000/=	30,000/=
Graduation Fee (Final year)	300,000/=	300,000/=
Other College Requirements		
NCHE Fund Fee (Every Academic year)	23,000/=	23,000/=
Application Fee (Once)	50,000/=	50,000/=

NB: The College Authority Reserves the right to change the Fees Structure.



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HAPPY INTERNATIONAL TOURISM DAY 2024

The Governing Council, Management, Staff and the entire Student Community of Uganda Co-operative College – KIGUMBA, today join the rest of the world to celebrate the International Tourism Day 2024. We are proud to be the Centre of Excellence in Co-operative Education, Training and Research in the country.

Theme: **Tourism and Peace**



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UGANDA CO-OPERATIVE COLLEGE – KIGUMBA

Uganda Co-operative College Kigumba is a government Institution offering Co-operative Development and Management related studies in the country. It started at Nsamizi in 1954, transferred to Bukalasa in 1963 and moved to the present campus – Kigumba in 1974.



Administration Block

BACKGROUND

The college's original mission was to train people who would work as co-operative extension staff in the department of co-operative development, middle cadre managers in the district co-operative unions and secretary managers in primary co-operative societies. The college's mission and mandate changed with the advent of Structural Adjustment Programme (SAP) which introduced new economic reform policies particularly trade liberalization.

LOCATION

The college is located in Kigumba Sub-County, Kiryandongo District Western Uganda 200km on Kampala – Gulu

Highway. The College has regional centres in Arua, Gulu, Mbale, Mbarara, Kabale, Hoima and at Kampala – Maganjo (UCSCU).

STATUS AND SET-UP

Uganda Cooperative College is a Tertiary Institution owned and funded by the Government of Uganda. It has a Governing Council appointed by the Minister of Education and Sports. The head of the Institution is the Principal.

MANDATE

Provide specialized training in Co-operative business and Entrepreneurship as stipulated under Universities and Other Tertiary Institutions Act 2006.

VISION

"To be a center of excellence in Co-operative Education, Training, Research, Innovation and Extension services".

MISSION

To promote the delivery, application and dissemination of co-operative knowledge to government and private sector through quality Education, Training, Research, Innovation and Extension Services.

GOAL

"To provide skilled manpower and enlightened membership to the cooperative movement and private sector."

Education



COURSES OFFERED:

The college has increased the number of courses offered after having been accredited by National Council for Higher Education. The college's training programmes are geared towards cooperative business development and management and they include:

DIPLOMA COURSES

Duration 2 Years

- Diploma in Cooperative and Business Administration
- Diploma in SACCO and Microfinance Management
- Diploma in Accounting and Finance
- Diploma in Procurement and Logistics Management.
- Diploma in Financial Literacy and Mindset Change.
- Diploma in Leadership for Change In Cooperatives Business Management
- Diploma in Project Planning, Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Diploma in Agri-Business Development
- Diploma in Records and Information Management

- Diploma in Public Administration and Management

CERTIFICATE COURSES

Duration 2 Years

- Certificate in Cooperative & Business Administration
- Certificate in SACCO & Microfinance Management
- Certificate in Agri-Business Finance and Management
- Certificate in Project Planning and Entrepreneurship Development
- Certificate in Records & Information Management
- Certificate in Public Administration & Management
- Certificate in Accounting & Finance
- Certificate in Procurement & Logistics Management

TAILOR MADE COURSES

The following courses are offered on request by the clients

- Certificate in basic cooperative development
- Certificate in cooperative audit and accounting

- Certificate in financial management and performance analysis.
- Certificate in project and business planning
- Certificate in financial literacy
- Certificate in leadership for change in Cooperative a Member based organization .
- Certificate in agribusiness

RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY SERVICES

The College offers the following services to the Cooperative Movement, International Organizations, NGOs, Local Government, Business Community, Educational Institutions, and the private sector:

- Auditing and Accounting Services
- Designing and conducting training programmes
- Business Plans Formulation.
- Project Design and Feasibility Studies
- Baseline Survey
- Development Plans Formulation
- Action Research



Staff in training



The College receiving an Award as the Best Co-operative Training Institution in Uganda.



UCCK Net Ball team preparing for the game.

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CAREER INSTITUTE AT 30 YEARS

Career Institute (CI), formerly known as Airways Tourism and Hotel Institute was established in 1993. It was fully registered and Licensed by the Ministry of Education and Sports of Uganda (License No. MOES/BTVET/027). The vision of the Institute during its inception was to produce competent and employable professionals for the hospitality industry.

THE INSTITUTE'S VISION, MISSION, MOTTO AND CORE VALUES

The Vision

"To be a top most tertiary institution that is both nationally and internationally known for practical orientation and innovativeness"

The Mission

"To provide qualitative all round education services, instill professionalism and equip students with relevant skills for positive development of society"

The Motto

"Building your career"

The Core Values

- i. Innovation: - We pursue excellence in teaching and training through encouragement and support of creativity, imagination and originality.
- ii. Integrity: - We strive to demonstrate high standards of ethical conduct and to cherish honesty, openness and truth.
- iii. Professionalism: - Making sure that staff and students conduct themselves with the highest ethical standards and taking responsibility of all their actions.
- iv. Transparency: - Seeking to provide accountability and value for money to Career Institute's stakeholders.



Students pursuing travel and tourism course on an education tour of murchison falls national park"

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE INSTITUTE

- i. To solve the problem of shortage/insufficient trained manpower in the business and hospitality industry.
- ii. To equip students with the knowledge and skills that match with the current and near future employment needs.
- iii. To design and deliver tailor made courses targeting the emerging small-scale entrepreneurs in order to meet their immediate skills demands.
- iv. To create partnerships with other institutions with similar objectives.
- v. To produce highly qualified graduates with the necessary practical and vocational skills that meet the current manpower requirements.
- vi. To disseminate knowledge and give an opportunity of acquiring higher education to all persons including those with disabilities regardless of race, political opinion, colour, creed or

gender.

- vii. To do any other thing geared at the enhancement and development of technical, practical courses and vocational education in Uganda.

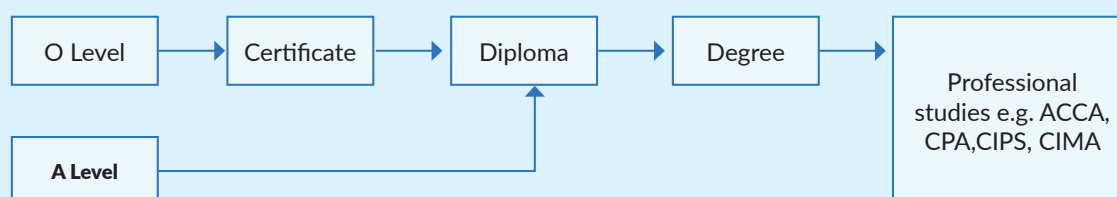
COMPETENCES

- ❖ Experienced and reliable lecturers
- ❖ High pass rates in both local and international courses
- ❖ Strategic and central location
- ❖ Secure and ample parking space
- ❖ Negotiable and flexible fees payment scheme
- ❖ Practical approach to studies for example through educational tours, cookery practicals and clinical placements (counseling department)
- ❖ Continuous assessment tests and course works
- ❖ Computer based studies.

LIST OF COURSES OFFERED AT CAREER INSTITUTE

No.	NAME OF COURSE	EXAMINING BODY	COURSE DURATION
DIPLOMA COURSES			
1	Travel & Tourism	International Air Transport Association	2 Years
2	Air Cargo Handling/ Customs Clearing and Forwarding	International Air Transport Association and Internal	2 years
3	Hotel and Tourism Administration	Career Institute	2 Years
4	Food Production & Kitchen Management	Career Institute	2 years
5	Front Office Operations	Career Institute	2 years
6	Food and Beverage services	Career Institute	2 Years
7	Accounting and Finance	Career Institute	2 Years
8	Business Administration	Career Institute	2 Years
9	Procurement and Logistics	Career Institute	2 Years
10	Marketing	Career Institute	2 Years
11	Counseling and Guidance	Career Institute	2 Years
12	Human Resource Management	Career Institute	2 Years
13	Project planning and Management	Career Institute	2 Years
14	Public Administration	Career Institute	2 Years
CERTIFICATE COURSES			
1	Hotel and Tourism Administration	Career Institute	1 Year
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9	Counseling and Guidance	Career Institute	1Year
10	Human Resource Management	Career Institute	1 Year
11	Project planning and Management	Career Institute	1Year
12	Public Administration	Career Institute	1 Year
13	Accounting Technician Diploma of Uganda (ATDU)	Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Uganda	2 Years
14	Foundation in Accountancy (FIA-CAT) of UK	Association of Certified Chartered Accountants of UK (ACCA)	2 Years
15	Computer Studies	Career Institute	6 Months
16	French Language	Career Institute	6 Mns per Level

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27TH GRADUATION CEREMONY

On 25/08/2023 Career institute conducted its 27th graduation ceremony. This group of graduates joined thousands who have gone through Career institute since its first graduation. Among the graduates were those graduating for the third time after pursuing multiple courses. The board of directors' chairman-

Dr. Begumisa Protazio- a long time educationist himself cautioned students, parents and professionals about the vice of drug abuse that has invaded schools. He urged all stakeholders to fight this vice.

Career Institute is proud to have produced important people placed in the tourism and hospitality industry, trade and

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28th Graduation



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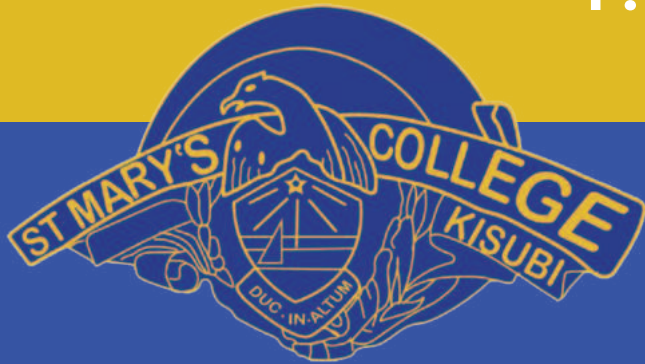


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(Launch into the deep) Luke 5:4

On behalf of St. Mary's College Kisubi, we extend our warmest congratulations to all the dedicated and passionate individuals and organizations in the tourism industry as we celebrate World Tourism Day under the theme "Tourism and Peace."

This day is a testament to the significant contributions you make to the world, not only by promoting tourism but by doing so with a strong commitment to sustainability and responsible practices. Your dedication to the theme of green investment highlights your awareness of the critical role tourism plays in preserving our planet and promoting a sustainable future.

Tourism, when managed responsibly and sustainably, can have a positive impact on local communities, ecosystems, and economies. It has the power to drive green investment, foster environmental

conservation, and create employment opportunities that benefit both residents and visitors alike.

Your efforts to promote sustainable tourism are instrumental in making the world a better place for generations to come.

As future leaders and responsible citizens, SMACK is proud to support the cause of sustainable tourism. We hope that the world will take note of your accomplishments and follow your lead in promoting tourism that is not only enjoyable but also eco-conscious.





Vision:

To be the leading school
in the country, producing quality
citizens of high morals

Mission:

To pursue excellence in holistic
education with christian values, bringing
forth principled professionals for the
development of society

Core values:

God fearing, Integrity,
Responsibility, Diversity,
Determination and
Courage

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St. Mary's College Kisubi celebrating the Feast of Mother Mary



Archbishop officially blessing the newly completed Mother Mary grotto at SMACK.



The boys entertaining guests with a traditional dance on the feast day 2023.



Bird's eye view of the school compound.



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Lambert Okure Drata
Principal
YMCA Jinja

Theme: Tourism and Peace

The Governing Council, Board of Directors, Management, Staff and Students of YMCA College of Business Studies, Jinja congratulate and join the Ministry of Tourism on this Fourth Edition of the World Tourism Day held on the 27th September 2024

MISSION:

To provide up- to- date marketable practical skills in order to equip young People to cope with the ever changing demands of the job market and sustainability

COLLEGE VALUES:

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- Information Communication Technology
- Fashion and Garment Design
- Accounting and Finance
- Business Management
- Business Administration
- Secretarial and Office

Administration

- Procurement and Logistics Management
- Journalism and Mass Media
- Social Work and Social Administration
- Public Administration and Management
- Guidance and Counseling
- Records and Information Management

Three years Community Polytechnic

Certificate Programmes for P. 7 leavers include:

Food Processing and Preparation,

Garment Design and Construction, Hair Dressing and Body Therapy

Other skill/short programmes include: - Elementary Catering, Tailoring/ Garment Making, Hair dressing, Nail Care and Design, Child Care, Basic Beauty Therapy, Baking and Confectionary, Meat Processing, Milk Processing ETC.

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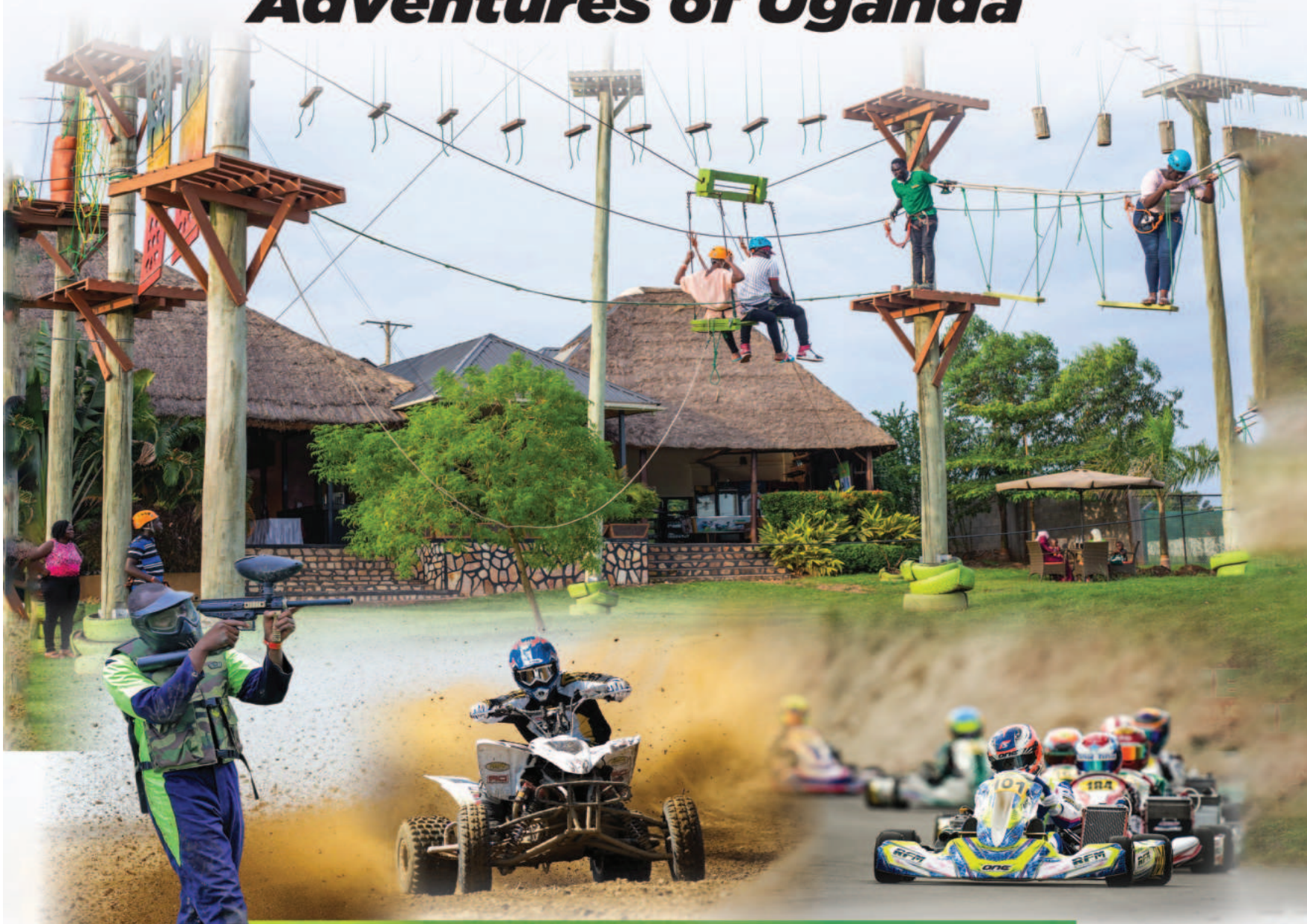


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Hon. Dennis Galabuzi Ssozi
National Coordinator for
the Parish Development Model



Hon. Jovrine Kyomukama Kaliisa
Deputy National Coordinator for the
Parish Development Model



Ben Kamumanya
Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Local Government



*HE Gen. Yoweri K. Museveni, the President of the republic of Uganda
launching the Parish Development Model*

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The Parish
Development
Model Secretariat
under the
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to congratulate
the Ministry of
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Antiquities, and all
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PDM through the eyes of Mpigi Beneficiaries.

President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni launched the Parish Development Model on 26th February 2022 in the Eastern district of Kibuku as a measure to eradicate poverty through enabling financing for development through a revolving fund of ShS. 17m per parish. The model which positions the Parish as the epicenter of multi-sectoral community development, planning, implementation, supervision and accountability has created sustainable and equitable interventions to drive socio-economic transformation.

PDM is applauded for increasing household incomes. Samuel Ntege, a resident of Kyasanku Mpigi town council is one of the beneficiaries of PDM and engages in selling eggs since last year. He got the idea from his brother who is doing the same business in Mpigi. Back then Ntege's major source of income was brick laying. Ntege began with a capital of sh.150,000 which was a saving from the brick laying business. He used it to buy 15 trays of eggs which he sold in Buza Trading centre. While visiting a friend in the nearby village, he learnt about the Parish Development Model programme that would give people money for business developments, Ntege says. "First I did not take my friend serious so we talked

to one of the councilors who confirmed and advised us to visit the sub-county Headquarters of town council offices to get more information," Ntege, says; and that's where Ntege and his friends were introduced to a training that had been going on to create awareness about the new PDM programme.

During training, they were asked to register a group for those who did not have one. "ours was just a cash round group, so we had to register and continue with training until we were taught how to access the money," Ntege narrated. He added that "first we were told we would access the funds as a group, then later they advised that we could get it as individuals. We filled many forms which enabled me to get shs1m. It was a blessing from God because I was only getting 15 trays at shs150,000. Now I had a million." The beaming Ntege recounted."

“While visiting a friend in the nearby village, he learnt about the Parish Development Model programme that would give people money for business developments.”

The next day I went to the farm and placed an order for 70 trays, the farm owner was surprised and asked me where I had got the money from. Of course I did not tell him but I was happy that finally my business had expended." The remaining funds were invested in a popcorn machine which earns him a saving of shs3000 per day. Besides, the market for eggs has also expanded; on the Mpigi-Masaka highway, he has secured four centers which include; Mpigi Town council, Kabasanda, Kibiibi, Gomba and the latest being Kaliri center.

PDM Guidelines

According to the PDM guidelines, there will be dedicated efforts and investments in the organization and coordination of farmers at the parish level and other value chain actors through area based commodity clusters to increase production and productivity that will create sustainable agricultural production.

The PDM was launched by President Yoweri Museveni to lift 17.5 million Ugandans in 3.5 million households out of poverty through the total transformation of the subsistence households into a money economy.

PDM is being implemented under seven pillars, which, among others, include; **Production, Storage, Processing, Marketing Social services, Infrastructure and Economic services.**

It also has aspects of financial inclusion as part of the pillars. It is supposed to be a parish revolving fund, whose beneficiaries will get low-cost loans for investment in income generation. Relatedly, the implementation of the PDM is expected

to contribute to the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) targets. Its different pillars are observed to contribute to different SDGs if implemented well.



Hon. Jovrine Kyomukama Kaliisa, Deputy National Coordinator for the PDM addressing some of the residents of Kibuku district.



PDM officials conducting a registration exercise in Kibuku district.

PDM is at the Forefront of lifting Ibanda from poverty



Kyomugisha says she used the PDM funds to buy chicken to improve her household income.

Fausta Kyomugisha, 53, a resident of Igorora town council, in Ibanda district received the Parish Development Model (PDM) cash of one million last year, Kyomugisha says she heard about the PDM programme on one of the local radio stations that was rallying people to get in touch with parish chiefs on how they can access the funds. In February, 2022 in Kibuku district, President Yoweri Museveni launched PDM, a programme the government is banking on to lift 16 million Ugandans in 3.5 million Households out of poverty. Kyomugisha says her parish chief advised her to choose an enterprise

she wants to venture in and also join a group of like minded persons in her area.

After joining the poultry enterprise group of Igorora PDM SACCO, Kyomugisha says they were trained in financial literacy and in how to handle a poultry farm as a business. "I later applied and got a sh1m loan from our PDM SACCO, part of which I used to buy timber, nets and iron sheets to put

The farmer now anticipates that in the near future she will be earning Shs. 2m per month from her farm which with time will help her household grow and be able to construct a more decent house.

up a modest makeshift poultry house following advice from the district workers," she added. Kyomugisha says she used the remaining money to buy chicken and their feeds that she now keeps at home together with other members of her household.

At the moment, Kyomugisha picks some eggs from her poultry farm and is currently using all the money from these to buy more chicken to add into the farm for more expansion. According to her, market for the eggs is readily available as she sells the eggs to youth in Ibanda town who fry 'rolex' and to shops which resell to other customers.

The farmer now anticipates that in the near future she will be earning Shs. 2m per month from her farm which with time will help her household grow and be able to construct a more decent house. She says she also pays school fees for their children and can afford health care. "My chicken farm is occupied most of the time, saving me from engaging in non-productive activities, such as unnecessary visits that I used to do." She rallied all households that are looking for capital to take advantage of the government programme. Kyomugisha thanked President Museveni and the NRM Government for the PDM initiative, adding that it will enable people to get work and develop not only their households but also their communities.

Robert Kanyesigye, 42, a resident of Ntungamo 2, in Igorora town council, Ibanda district, is also one of those that are already benefiting from the model.

Kanyesigye's household subscribes to the Piggery Enterprise of Igorora Igorora PDM SACCO. They used the sh1m they got from the SACCO to buy pigs and their feeds that they resold after a month to improve quality and get profits. Kanyesigye said he works together with his wife and two children to take care of the business.

"We now buy pigs and take care of them for a while to improve their quality and resell them. As a business, this is enabling us to pay back the PDM loan, as well as take care of our household." From the PDM cash, Kanyesigye and his household have also been able to start up a pork joint where they sell pork to further expand their profit. "All I pray for is to see the NRM government stay around for some more time to push for more development programs that will further develop all the Citizens and the country at large," he concluded.

STATE OF PDM IN IBANDA DISTRICT

Ibanda district located in Western Uganda, has so far received approximately sh1.3b PDM cash that has reached accounts of 40 PDM SACCOS that were formed in the district. The district has 786 enterprise groups that form the 40 PDM SACCOS in the 40 parishes that make up the district.

Dennis Atuhaire, a senior commercial officer in Ibanda district, noted that In December 2022, the district launched disbursement of funds to beneficiaries and four SACCOS whose members were ready to start utilising the cash. The SACCOS that started receiving cash included, Ngango, Igorora Igorora, Mucunga and Muziza.

These have so far given out around sh107m to 107 members of their enterprise groups. Atuhaire added that the PDM was designed by the Government to benefit all Ugandans regardless of their political affiliations. He urged all beneficiaries to follow the guidelines as given to them by

their parish chiefs and other district technocrats for the programme to realise its set objectives.

"When the beneficiaries of the PDM start earning money as expected, they will be able to pay taxes to the country which will ease service delivery on the side of the Government as there will be enough funds to run the country," he said. He said all Ugandans have to benefit from the different pillars of the PDM, however, it is only those households out of the money economy that have to benefit from the parish revolving fund of the model.

Atuhaire said this category of beneficiaries also have to have the sweat capital in place and once the loans field officer of the PDM SACCO ascertains this then one can qualify for the PDM loan. "One must at least have a chicken house in place for the parish revolving fund to come in and support with buying chicks and feeds," he added.



Kanyesigye on his pig farm in Ibanda district recently.

Agriculture



Karamoja Region stakeholders meeting on implementation of Parish Development Model in progress at Hotel Africana in Moroto. Opening remarks by Hon Kalabuzi Ssonzi National Co-ordinator.



Hon. Dennis Galabuzi Ssozi was making a presentation at the National Leadership Institute in Kyankwanzi.



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UCDA Coffee Laboratory gets Q Venue Certification

The Coffee Quality Institute (CQI), the world's leading body in coffee quality training and certification, has awarded Q Venue recognition to the Uganda Coffee Development Authority (UCDA).

The UCDA Coffee Laboratory is now internationally recognized as a center of excellence for coffee quality assessment and allows UCDA to offer Q Arabica and Q Robusta training, especially to the youth interested in building a career in the coffee industry.

This milestone reaffirms our commitment to improving the quality of Uganda coffee, promoting value addition, and driving positive change in the coffee industry.

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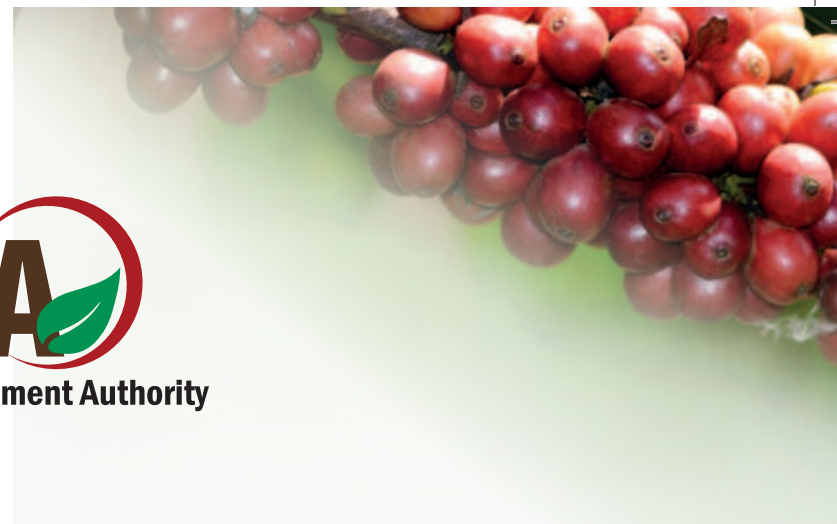


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Coffee Exports Reach Record-Breaking US\$1.14 Billion, Highest in Value and Volume in 30 Years

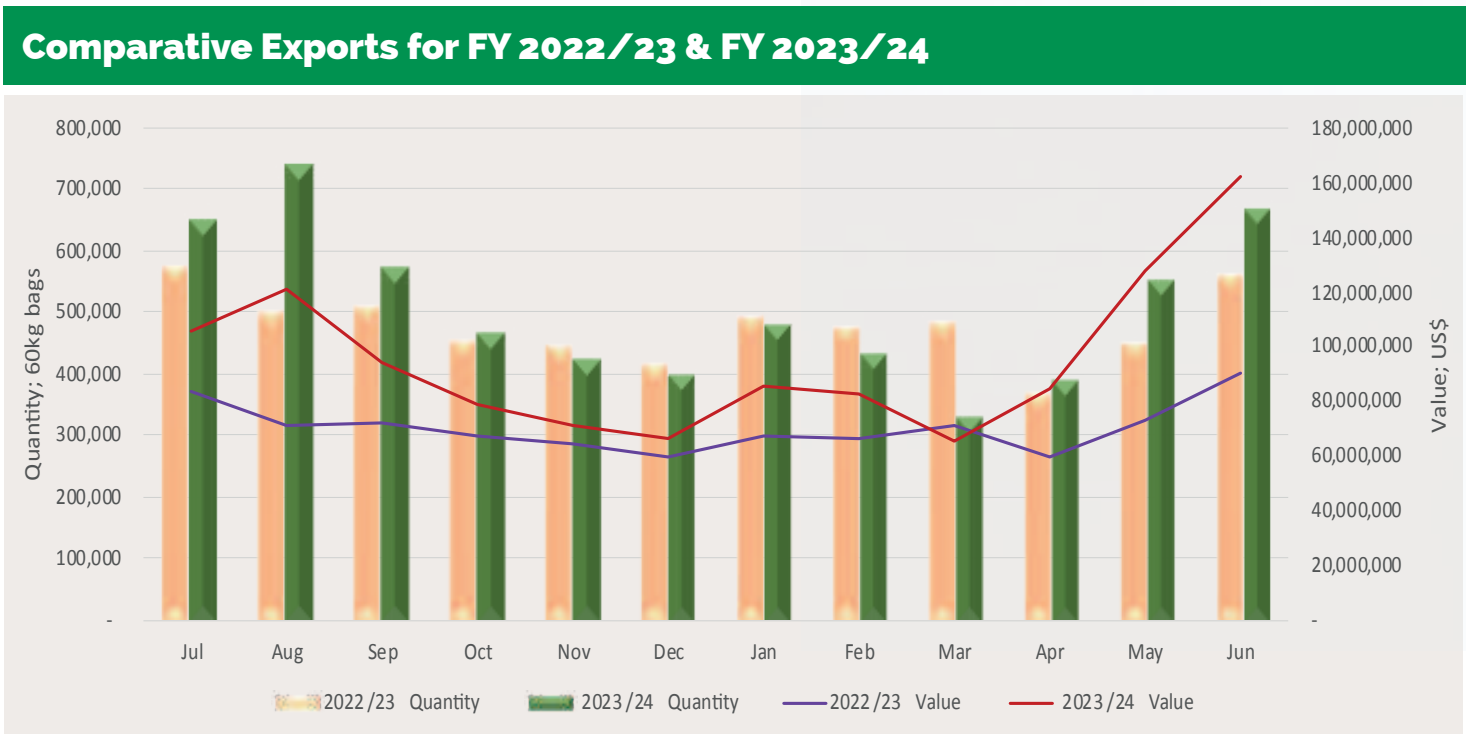
In 2023/24, coffee exports were 6.13 million bags valued at US\$ 1.144 Billion in 2023/24. This was an increase of 6.33% in volume and 35.29% in value compared to FY 2022/23 when exports were 5.8 million bags valued at US\$846 million. Due to effective regulation by UCDA, coffee quality has greatly improved and this has resulted in high prices.

Currently, farmers are earning the highest prices in 30 years. In FY2023/24, UCDA generated revenue of UGX 82.2 billion.

Uganda Coffee is in high demand in global coffee markets for its quality. With the current trajectory, the Coffee Roadmap target of 20 million 60 kg bags produced by 2030 is achievable. The roadmap signed by H.E President

Yoweri Kaguta Museveni in 2017, set a target for foreign exchange earnings of US\$ 1.5 billion annually from the US\$ 20 million bags.

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It is important to note that the government's deliberate efforts of export promotion and import substitution to stimulate export growth continue to post positive results. For

instance, in 2023 the total value of merchandise exports from Uganda amounted to US\$ 7.0 billion from US\$ 4.27 billion recorded in 2022. Uganda has the opportunity to sell both agricultural and non-agricultural products to different export markets due the growing globally demand.

To tap into the huge export potential there is need to address a number of challenges that face exporters. These include: limited exposure to international markets and buyers; over reliance on one or two key export markets; limited knowledge of consumer preferences in export markets and limited development in the distribution channels. UEPB is focused on addressing these shortcomings. Some of the strategies being undertaken include: participation in key exhibitions

and trade shows such as Anuga Food Fair in Europe as means to increase presence and competitiveness to global markets; undertaking trade missions to inform consumer preferences and increase product awareness and visibility through e-commerce platforms.

For Uganda, the journey for growing the export industry is a continuous journey to enable us exploit the huge potential. UEPB takes this opportunity to introduce the readers to our article on tea as well as coffee and vanilla from some of our partners: National Union of Coffee Agribusinesses and Farm Enterprises Ltd (NUCAFE); The Association of Vanilla Exporters Association (VANEX) and Esco Uganda Ltd as they tell their inspiring stories in this year's handbook.





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The Uganda Coffee sustainability Story by NUCAFE's Joseph Nkandu



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security in many communities. In addition, foreign exchange was earned, roads, hospitals and schools were constructed and many people were educated. However, coffee's contribution to Uganda has mainly been in form of raw material coffee produced by an average aged Ugandan coffee farmer of 60 years. Coffee trees themselves are over 60 years old. Today, coffee continues to play an important role in the social and economic environment of Uganda. The challenge for Uganda coffee sub sector is to reinvent itself so that coffee can continue to play a more important role in the new context.

Experience by NUCAFE continues to show that the youth are able to play an important role for themselves and for the sector and there is supporting evidence to this assertion. This National Tourism Day is about the new context in which coffee can play yet another important form of sustainable tourism dubbed as "Coffee

Historically, coffee played a crucial role for the economic and social development of Uganda. It was the main dynamic commodity for the social transformation for Uganda. This social role has been diminishing over the years and the focus has increasingly become capitalistic putting so many categories of people especially the youth and women to a disadvantage. Coffee was the principal force behind blood brotherhood, the custom of blood exchange in which men established relations of trust and reciprocity through the ritual of blood exchange, which seems by all accounts to have been widespread in the nineteenth century in Uganda.

What happened was that the ritual followed a schematic form: two men met at an appointed time and each made a small cut on a specific part of his body. Each man offered the other some of his blood, smeared on a coffee berry. Each then drank or ate the other's blood. They were then solemnly declared blood brothers and the ceremony ended. This nurtured peace and



Agro-Tourism



Coffee Edutourism for Makerere University interns by Joseph Nkandu.



Queen of Coffee Africa ecotourism by NUCAFE at Bunjako island.

ecotourism". Being rational, youth are able to contribute to this new context within a broader category of a new generation of coffee actors as farmers, processors, traders, investors, policy makers.

I would like to quote 1Timothy 4:12, God says, "Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."

The youth are a golden opportunity that Uganda has. They must not be looked at negatively if we are to make a breakthrough. They are energetic; innovative, highly adventurous, they are in their high level of entrepreneurial activity, they are quick to embrace new technology, they are risk takers, the youth are the majority (over 70% of Ugandan population is below 30 years), youth enjoy working with peer pressure, and the world over celebrities are mainly youth. I want to inform the youth that coffee can make you a celebrity. It is a golden opportunity to have the youth. Therefore, the new context is to have the youth own their youthfulness in using coffee as a "vehicle" for their increased entrepreneurship, create jobs and become masters of their own destiny.

Unleashing the potential of Uganda's coffee subsector will depend upon effective participation of the youth as part of the new generation of actors along the entire coffee value chain. We need a new generation of farmers using the

farmer Ownership Model and we need a new generation of coffee trees. We need succession planning for coffee actors and coffee trees.

Because charity starts at home, we are calling upon parents to embrace succession planning in all businesses along the coffee value chain because our children/youth are our future. We need to offer them soft-landing in many ways but succession planning is key and we need to help them own the process. We are

also calling upon employers to embrace succession planning and it should be in their company policies. At NUCAFE, innovation is being driven by young people. Some are self-taught innovators who hold no technology qualifications but have outstanding technology skills. In the experience of NUCAFE, 80% of the team is comprised of recent graduates and it is an excellent team. They are very flexible; they are highly motivated even without immediate payment they are ready to make a contribution.



Investment in coffee by the youth has always been constrained with negative attitude and lack of exposure to opportunities. This tourism day is trying to address some of these shortcomings. Global coffee consumption has been growing at an average of 2% per year. Uganda's domestic coffee consumption has grown by many folds. This means there is a lot of emerging business opportunities in the coffee value chain because of this pulling force from the market.

Coffee entrepreneurship skills development is another opportunity from NUCAFE and we have seen development of brands such as NUCAFE brand of coffee and Omukago brand of coffee among others. Omukago brand derives its name from the story of blood brotherhood above.

NUCAFE is showcasing during this tourism day the unique ecotourist coffee brand, the Queen of Coffee Africa brand among other brands.

NUCAFE also creates linkages for youth in the market whether within or outside of Uganda. Therefore, finding markets is part of NUCAFE's service portfolio.

Working with UEPB, NUCAFE has created over 10,000 jobs occupied by youth within and outside its membership; managing coffee nurseries, coffee associations/cooperatives, incubator, hubs, primary processing factories, sorting/grading, roasting, distribution, coffee shops.

Please allow me now to extend our sincere thanks to Government of Uganda for formulating the enabling National

Coffee Policy and the National Coffee road map.

I would like to conclude and say that the future of Uganda's enhanced entrepreneurship and innovation and creation of jobs in the coffee subsector will depend on attracting and supporting young men and women exposing them to opportunities, promoting succession planning and strengthening partnerships.

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A Budding Opportunity in Uganda's Tea Sector

Tourism is Uganda's leading services exports. To date, tourism earns the country close to USD 1 billion, in foreign exchange, each year. In 2023, tourism export earnings grew back to the pre-COVID19 level of USD 1.3 billion. With reference to the words of Churchill Winston, "for magnificence, for variety of form and colour, for profusion of brilliant life — bird, insect, reptile, beast — for vast scale — Uganda is truly the Pearl of Africa," Uganda indeed has a lot to offer. One of the emerging tourism sub-sectors is eco/ agro tourism.

Agriculture is the backbone of Uganda's economy. Over 70% of people in Uganda depend on agriculture for a livelihood. Uganda produces a diverse range of agriculture products including coffee, tea, cotton, cocoa and horticultural products. To ensure sustainability of Uganda's agriculture, production systems are designed and structured to fit in well with the eco-systems in each of the production areas. Consequently, the crop fields and farms have become an integral part of the natural environment. This is driving in the spiraling of agro-tourism or eco-tourism in Uganda.

For instance, visitors to or traveling through Western Uganda are quite often attracted to and fascinated by the beauty of the tea plantations that form part of the landscape, often stopping to enjoy the view and take pictures.



Tea plantation in Western Uganda

This is just one of the various examples of agro-related tourism in Uganda. Importantly, agro-tourism offers farmers an opportunity to diversify their farm incomes vis-a-vis sole dependence on income from seasonal harvest. Better household incomes spur socio-economic development and hence peace and stability.

The tea industry's potential in tourism is much diverse since it possesses much historical, geographical and economic importance. Tea was introduced to Uganda in the early 20th century by British colonialists, with the first commercial tea estates established in the 1920s. Tea has up until to date remained one of Uganda's traditional



exports and a major cash crop for agricultural households.

The Republic of Uganda is the tenth largest producer of tea in the world, *accounting for 1.1% of the tea produced in 2022* – according to FAO data. Although tea estates are the center-piece of Uganda's tea industry, a significant portion of Uganda's tea is produced by smallholder farmers. According to the National Agriculture Advisory Services (NAADs) close to 80,000 farming households are involved in tea production and it supports over 150,000 skilled and unskilled workers.

Approximately, 1,000,000 people derive their livelihood directly from tea growing. Over 35,000 hectares in Uganda are

currently under tea production. The traditional teagrowing districts are Kyenjojo, Kibale, Hoima, and Kabarole in the western region; Bushenyi, Buhweju, Kanungu, and Kabale in southwestern Uganda; and Mukono, Buikwe, Mubende, Mityana, Masaka in the central region. Recently, tea growing has expanded to new Districts like Kabale, Kisoro, Rubanda, Rukungiri, Sheema, Nebbi, Zombo, Isingiro, Ntungamo, Mitooma, Rubirizi, Kamwenge, and Mbarara. In addition to tea production, all these are catchment areas for tea tourism in Uganda.

Table 1: Uganda's tea production statistics (Source: FAO)

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Area Harvested (hectares)	36,520	28,404	42,472	43,369	35,191
Yield (mt/ha)	8.84	9.22	9.18	9.22	9.26
Production (tonnes)	323,000	262,000	390,000	400,000	326,000

Over 90% of the tea produced in Uganda is exported to various international markets – as shown in *Table 1* and *Table 2*. Uganda's tea is predominantly processed into black CTC (Crush, Tear, Curl) tea. Uganda also produces orthodox tea, though in smaller quantities. Ugandan tea is known for its strong, brisk flavor, which makes it suitable for blending in international tea markets. Over the last five (5) years – 2019 to 2023 – export volumes have been growing at about 2.3 percent per annum. Export revenues, on the other hand, have been growing at about 1.12 percent per annum.

Table 2: Uganda's Tea Exports - By Value, USD Millions (Source: UNCOMTrade Database)

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total Exports	34.274	68.263	70.317	78.672	84.958	88.432	82.473
Kenya	34.179	67.893	68.095	76.093	81.853	84.389	74.162
South Sudan	-	-	1.725	1.641	2.693	2.461	6.948
DR Congo	-	0.120	0.162	0.107	0.218	1.150	0.417
Sudan	-	-	0.007	-	-	-	0.315
China	-	-	-	0.263	-	0.164	0.191
Rwanda	0.010	0.131	0.251	-	-	0.057	0.172

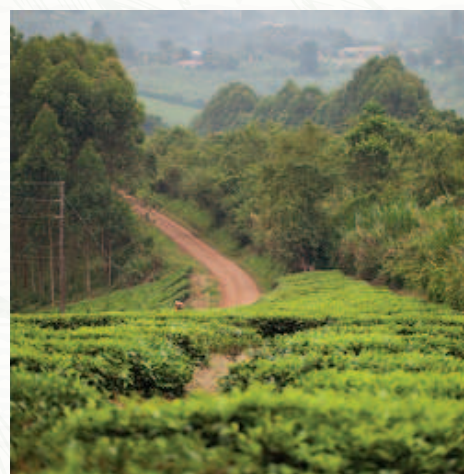
Table 3: Uganda's Tea Exports - By Volume, MT (Source: UNCOMTrade Database)

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total Exports	35,914	55,079	53,311	72,454	77,104	76,024	77,718
Kenya	35,830	54,828	51,854	70,409	74,495	73,151	70,763
South Sudan			1,067	1,241	2,306	2,116	5,527
DR Congo		61	190	124	150	359	569
Sudan			10				238
China			0	280		191	213
Egypt				150			144
Rwanda	9	121	126			46	114

As a result of this long export history and the fact that to date, Uganda is one of the top ten (10) leading producers of tea in the world, tea has become part of Uganda's identity, internationally, and culture. Uganda is well known in the tea community worldwide. Tea importers and blenders all over the world are familiar with the unique characteristics of Uganda's tea. Therefore, the thriving tea exports contribute significantly towards creating a positive country image which promotes tourism.

In respect to agro-tourism, the tea catchment areas have registered growth in number of local and foreign visitors (tourists) especially over the last decade. This is a clear indication of the potential of tea tourism in Uganda.

Market diversification of tea exports therefore contributes towards tourism promotion. Agro-tourism, in this case tea tourism, earns the country more revenue and offers the farming communities an opportunity to diversify their incomes. We therefore call for both public and private sector investments for the growth and sustainability of the sector especially in the face of economic and climatic challenges.



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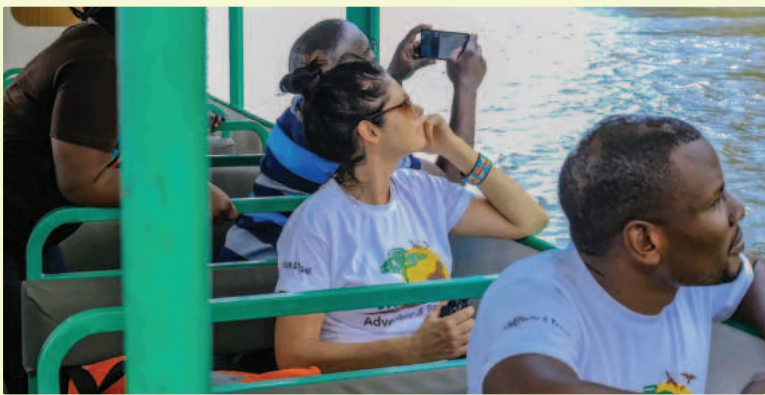
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TOOKE CLUB IN SCHOOLS

Tooke club as a project has its existence in schools like; Ntare school, Mbarara High School, Bweranyangi Girls School, Immaculate Heart, Kyeizooba Girls School, Bishop Masheruka Girls School, St. Agnes Girls School, Bishop Ogez Secondary School, Marry Mother Girls school, Vine High School, Marry Hill High School, mentioned but a few and all these schools are in western Uganda. While in the central schools we have Lubiri Secondary school, Kyambogo college school, Buganda road primary school, Mengo senior school, Trinity College Nabingo etc.



Students Attending A Training At Jinja Show



Students Attending A Training At Jinja Show

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Agriculture in Uganda and its associated value chain occupies over 60% of our population and could potentially employ more. However, the obtaining value chains in agriculture are poorly developed and therefore offer very limited opportunities and attraction for the youth. In the wake of the evolving value chain under the banana sub sector, it is imperative to create sustainability through appropriate stake-holding. To this end, BIRDC conceived the Tooke club as an appropriate Tool.



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OUR VISION

To serve as a vehicle for developing a market oriented and competitive national agribusiness sector among the youth in schools

RATIONAL OF THE TOOKE CLUB

Tooke club project is a strategy under the training and marketing functions of PIBID/BIRDC whose goal is to create awareness among young people across the country to their role as the future banana value chain players and not only that but also to significantly create a demand driven market for the TOOKE brand in schools, institutions and universities. Therefore, to this end Tooke clubs indeed will act as an incubation hub, for the franchisees to serve as min-agents for the Tooke products and commercialization model advocates in their respective schools



Demonstration on how to prepare instant tooke porridge

SIGNIFICANCE OF TOOKE CLUB

Tooke club aims at equipping individuals with the necessary skills and resources, it contributes to the overall economic development of the different communities while also promoting sustainable practices in agriculture.

In essence, Tooke club's initiative will embody a holistic approach towards social responsibility, economic empowerment, and environmental awareness, making it a valuable asset in driving positive change within the market and society at large.

ACTIVITIES IN THE TOOKE CLUB

These activities and events can help engage students in hands-on learning, foster creativity and innovation and raise awareness about the importance of bananas and sustainable agriculture.

- ✓ **Banana Recipe cook-offs:** Host cooking competitions where students create innovative banana-based dishes using banana flour as the main ingredient.
- ✓ **DIY Banana Crafts Workshops:** Organize workshops where students can learn to create crafts using banana peels, stems, and leaves. This could include making paper from banana fibers, creating art pieces, or crafting household items like mats, bags, baskets, etc.
- ✓ **Banana Farm Visits:** Arrange field trips to local banana farms or plantations where students can learn about banana cultivation, harvesting techniques, and sustainable agricultural practices.
- ✓ **Guests Speaker Series:** Invite experts in agriculture, sustainability, and banana innovation to give talks and workshops on topics related to bananas, agriculture, and sustainability
- ✓ **Banana-themed Science Fair:** Organize a science fair where students can showcase their research projects related to bananas, such as the nutritional benefits of bananas etc.
- ✓ **Community Outreach Projects:** Plan community service projects related to bananas and agriculture, such as participating in tree planting initiatives, educating people the nutritional value of green bananas.

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NUTRITIONAL VALUES OF RAW TOOKE FLOUR

- ✓ Raw Tooke flour contain vitamins B6, as well as minerals like potassium and magnesium.
- ✓ Raw Tooke flour has lower sugar content, making them suitable for those monitoring their sugar intake or following low-carb diets.
- ✓ Raw Tooke flour is high in dietary fiber, which is beneficial for digestive health, promoting satiety, and regulating blood sugar levels.
- ✓ Raw Tooke flour is naturally Gluten-free, making it a suitable alternative for individuals with gluten intolerance or celiac disease.
- ✓ Raw Tooke flour is rich in resistant starch. Resistant starch is a type of carbohydrate that resists digestion in the small intestine, acting more like a fiber and providing various health benefits such as improved gut health and blood sugar regulation.



BENEFITS OF JOINING TOOKE CLUB

- ✓ A chance to make a positive impact through banana innovation projects and initiatives.
- ✓ Discover the nutritional benefits of Tooke flour and all confectionary products
- ✓ Learn innovative recipes and baking/cooking techniques using banana flour
- ✓ Participate in fun activities and competitions
- ✓ Access to exclusive events, workshops and guest speakers
- ✓ Meet fellow banana enthusiasts

JOIN US TODAY!

Ready to go bananas with creativity and innovation? Join the Banana Innovation School Club and be part of something truly special!

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OBJECTIVES

1. Empowering Youth: Through knowledge transfer, we empower young people to be catalysts for positive change in their communities.

2. Value Addition and Import Substitution: We strive to drive value addition and promote import substitution, contributing to the economic development of diverse communities.

3. Climate Change Awareness: Tooke Club is committed to raising awareness about climate change, encouraging environmentally conscious practices.

4. Entrepreneurial Growth: By emphasizing enterprise development, especially in agriculture, we aim to foster entrepreneurial growth within the new generation.

JOIN US IN DRIVING POSITIVE CHANGE

Together, we embark on a journey of holistic social responsibility, economic empowerment, and environmental awareness. Join Tooke Clubs in making a lasting impact on the market and society at large.

You can join us as an education institution, CBO, Church, or any other registered entity.



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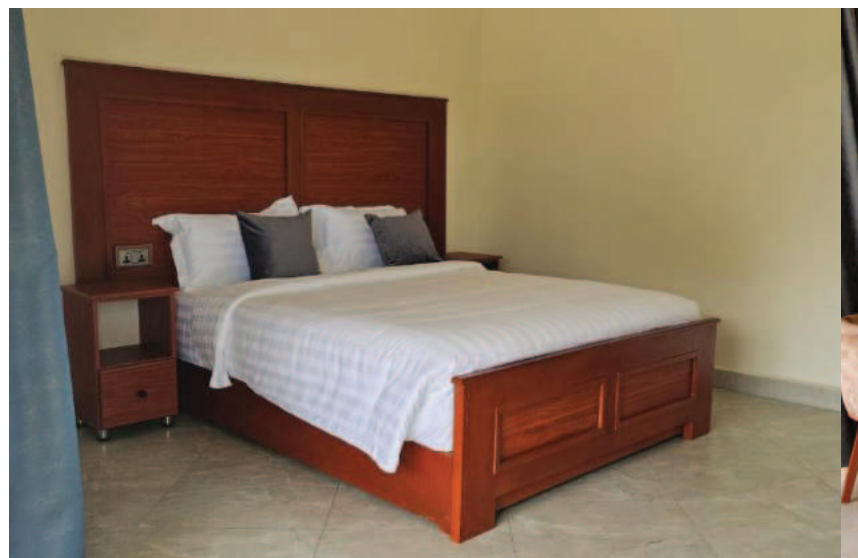
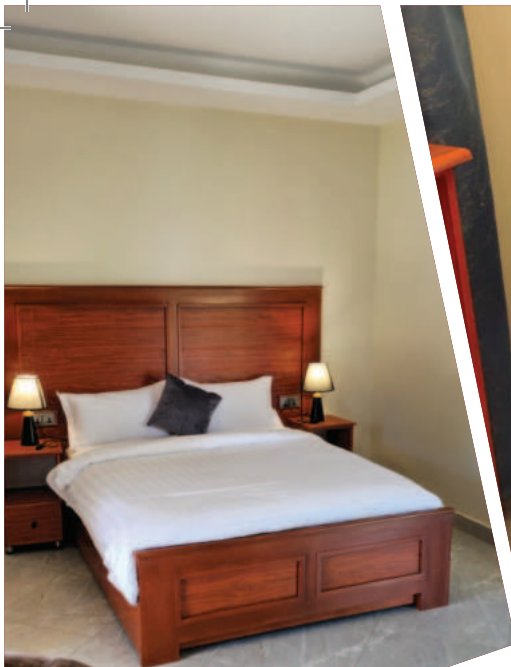


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Uganda Martyrs Day *3rd June 2024*





Martyrs Day Celebrations

Theme;

“But as for me and my household, we shall serve the Lord”

Joshua 24:15

Every 3rd day of the month of June Ugandans and people from all walks of life across the globe pay pilgrimage to the Namugongo Martyrs' shrine in commemoration of the act of faith and bravery by the young men who stood firm by upholding their religious values. This event that attracts millions of pilgrims and tourists annually in memory of the 22 Catholic and 23 Anglican converts who were brutally killed on the orders of king Mwanga, has become part of the Ugandan culture and is a major topic in our history and literature.



Martyrs Day Celebrations

This year's Martyrs' day also marked the 60th Anniversary since the canonization of the martyrs by Pope Paul Vi in 1964. On the side of the Catholics, the event is animated by the different dioceses on a rotational basis and this time Nebbi diocese located in Northwestern Uganda was in charge of the celebrations. Archbishop Raphael Wokorach who was the main celebrant, in his sermon reminded the congregation that, celebrating this day is an acknowledgement of God's goodness to the Church and to Ugandans as well; it is an act that refreshes our way of being Christians both in Uganda and elsewhere. He also called upon Ugandans including leaders and policy makers to join the fight against the scourge of corruption which is now evident in most sectors. Other dignitaries included the President of Uganda, Gen. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, the First Lady Hon. Janet Kataha Museveni the Deputy Speaker of Parliament, Thomas Tayebwa, some Members of Parliament and other Cultural & Political leaders.

President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni who was the guest of honor at this year's Martyrs' Day celebrations hailed the Ugandan clerics, Christians and non-Christians for fronting unity as opposed to hostilities along religious lines as was once the case in the 80s & 90s. The President emphasized that much of this success is attributed to the NRM government and its ideologies. The President also advised the Religious leaders to preach beyond faith by encouraging the Christians to work hard in order to attain personal development and financial freedom.



Martyrs Day Celebrations





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